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Hello NSO Community!

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This will be my last opportunity to address you all as the President of the Newark Symphony Orchestra; to serve in this position has been an honor and a privilege. My goal coming into this office was to leave the orchestra in better shape than when I came on board. I think that is the goal of every officer and member of the board. Things were going well until...

Well, you all know.

As we move forward (and we ARE moving forward) into this uncharted territory of COVID Courtesies I wanted to let you all know that in whatever decisions we make, our patrons and the members of our orchestral community are foremost in our minds. Music is to be shared, but we need to find a way to share safely and in a way that is enjoyable to all. There are some board members and volunteers who are working very hard to make this happen.

We have already had one musical streaming event that went very well. We were able to track how many people "tuned in" and we were very pleased with the result. A similar event is being planned for Father's Day. Looking to the Fall 2020 season, we will be trying a variety of formats to bring music into your homes. True, it will not be the same as being present for a live performance, nothing is as rewarding and exciting as that. However, it is important that we all continue to share our musical experiences, whether as musicians or patrons, and NSO members dedicate ourselves to this effort.

I will continue to serve on the board, but I leave you in the very capable hands of my friend and colleague from the University of Delaware, Karen Rosenberg, a former president of the Friends of the NSO. Together we will strive to give our very talented musicians the opportunity to express and share their passion for classical music.

One final note (ha ha) – it has been a privilege to work with (and on occasion cook with) our very talented Maestro, Simeone Tartaglione. The energy that he brings to a performance, which is extraordinary, is the same energy he brings to rehearsals and organizing our performances. We are very fortunate to have had Simeone as our musical director for the past ten years. I am hoping our collaboration lasts far into the future!

Hau`Oli La Hanau

Yours in music – Jack Bartley



