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CORNING – OSFL Chamber Music Series begins November 10th with “Music Meets Art”

Friday, November 10, 2023 at 7:30 PM
North Presbyterian Church, 921 College Ave., Elmira, NY 14901
Ticket \$40 general admission
\$20 college students with ID
FREE for all youth under 18
Season tickets, single tickets, and details available at: [OSFL.org](https://www.osfl.org) or 607-936-2873

The Orchestra of the Southern Finger Lakes launches the '23-24 Musicians Choice Chamber Music Series with “Music Meets Art” with the Chrystallum Quartet, performing a mix of early music, classical, contemporary, and jazz. The concert is Friday, November 10th at 7:30 PM at North Presbyterian Church at 921 College Avenue in Elmira.

The quartet will be joined by artist Suyen Lau who will create a new piece of art on stage while the quartet performs. “The visual representation of the aural perception of music has always intrigued me,” comments Karen Dusek, Managing Director of the Orchestra of the Southern Finger Lakes. “Some people are wired with strong associations between music and visual art. Suyen is gifted this way.” An alum of the OSFL’s Youth Orchestra, Suyen is currently studying fine arts and design at SUNY Corning Community College.

In addition to an early classical piece by Telemann, the musical compositions on the concert have some connection to the visual arts. *Brush Strokes* by composer Alyssa Morris is a musical depiction of specific works of art, with its 4 movements representing Monet, Seurat, Van Gogh, and Pollock. Another piece, composed by Nicole Chamberlain, is set to the silent film *LeCharmeur*.



Chrystallum Quartet members are Anita Pawlak (oboe), Nolan DeSanto (piano), Martha Weber (bassoon), and Angela McBrearty (flute/piccolo).
Suyen Lau (artist)

Following the tradition of the Musicians' Choice Chamber Music Series, oral program notes will be given by the musicians interspersed throughout the performance. The short format program (60 to 75 minutes) is presented in an intimate, relaxed setting without intermission. Doors open at 6:45. Come early to view Suyen Lau's artwork on display.

This Musicians' Choice Chamber Series is made possible in part by the OSFL Chamber Music Society and the Richard J. and Judith Sphon Family Fund at the Community Foundation of Elmira-Corning and the Finger Lakes, Inc. Season ticket packages for this series are still available and include the November 10th concert plus 4 more concerts in 2024, offering significant savings over single ticket pricing.

Single tickets for the November 10th concert are \$40 for adults, \$20 for students with ID, and FREE for children under age 18. Groups of 10 or more receive a 10% discount. Concert seating is general admission. Purchase tickets in advance at OSFL.org, 607-936-2873, or in person at the OSFL office, 49 Bridge Street, Corning, NY. Ticket sales at the door will be available until sold out.

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ABOUT THE ORCHESTRA OF THE SOUTHERN FINGER LAKES (OSFL)

The OSFL offers four regular season full orchestra concerts, including a side-by-side Youth Orchestra and professional musician collaboration, a Musicians' Choice Chamber Music Series, concerts by the Chorus of the Southern Finger Lakes, concerts by the Youth Orchestra, and educational concerts for children. Under the guidance of distinguished Music Director and Conductor, Toshiyuki Shimada, the OSFL is a strong supporter of highlighting the musical achievements of young musicians with its own youth ensembles and the Hertzog Concerto & Aria Competition for young artists in grades 9 through 12. The OSFL collaborates with regional cultural partners, artists, and like-minded organizations to advance our mutual artistic growth in the greater Elmira-Corning area.

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