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OSFL Facebook Live Mini-Series | Sunday, May 17, 2020 at 4:00 PM

Orchestra of the Southern Finger Lakes Presents Facebook Live Mini-Concert

The Orchestra of the Southern Finger Lakes (OSFL) will present a Facebook Live concert with OSFL duo, Augusto Diemecke, violin; and Christine Lowe-Diemecke, cello; on Sunday, May 17, 2020 at 4:00 PM. The concert is free. Donations are appreciated to help the Orchestra and musicians through this uncertain time.

Repertoire for this mini-concert will include JS Bach's *Duet in F Major*, *Cradle Song* by Reinhold Glière, *Sonata in F Major No. 3* by George Frederic Handel, and J. Cohen's *Bahía Norteña*, *Tango Argentino*, and *Habanera*.

In addition to his position as the OSFL's concertmaster, Augusto is also the conductor of the Youth Orchestra of the Southern Finger Lakes. Sunday's performance will be a bittersweet watch party for students in the Youth Orchestra whose final concert of the school year was originally scheduled for May 17 at 4 PM. With the current pandemic situation, that staged concert is no longer possible.

Facebook Live mini-concerts by OSFL musicians will take place approximately every two weeks during this time when the orchestra cannot perform on stage. To find out more, follow the OSFL on Facebook at facebook.com/theOSFL or check out the website at www.OSFL.org.

ABOUT THE ORCHESTRA OF THE SOUTHERN FINGER LAKES (OSFL)

Under the guidance of distinguished Music Director and Conductor, Toshiyuki Shimada, the OSFL celebrates its 25th season during the 2019-2020 concert year which also marks the 10th season under the baton of Maestro Shimada. This season of "Perfect Pairings" highlights partnerships with other art disciplines for each of the four main orchestra concerts.

The OSFL currently 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, several concerts by the Youth Orchestra and Junior String Ensemble, as well as smaller ensemble concerts for children. The OSFL is a strong supporter of highlighting the musical achievements of young musicians with its own Youth Orchestra and Junior String Ensemble programs, as well as the Hertzog Concerto Competition for young artists in grades 9 - 12. The orchestra 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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