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# Symphony Notes

## A Message from Michael

Michael Beattie, MSO President & Executive Director

**Two hot events coming from your MSO! Here are the details:**

**Nobuyuki Tsujii**, the 20 year old 2009 winner of the Cliburn Competition will perform in Jackson on Thursday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m. at Millsaps College in a unique program that is a benefit for MSO. He will perform an all-Chopin program, with the first half for solo piano. For the second half of the concert, he will join the full MSO for a performance of Chopin's Piano Concerto No 1. The competition is held only every four years, in Ft. Worth, and is world renowned. Mr. Tsujii's US tour this spring brings him to a number of cities, but only in performance with one orchestra: The Mississippi Symphony. We are thankful to Lester Senter Wilson and Timothy Coker for their connections in securing Mr. Tsujii and for co-producing this concert. Tickets for the benefit concert are \$100.00 per person (\$85 is tax-deductible).

This concert is generously sponsored by BCI.

**Pepsi Pops**—our annual season closer, will be Friday, May 7 at 7:30 p.m. at Old Trace Park on the Reservoir. What more need I say? It is Jackson's premier family event. Tickets are \$12 in advance online ([msorchestra.com](http://msorchestra.com)) or at Kroger. This concert is generously sponsored by Brown Bottling, Regions Bank, BCI, East-group Properties, J. Mitchell & Julie D. Collins.

None of this would be possible without YOUR generous gift of time in raising funds and supporting the work of this orchestra. We are most appreciative.



*The 2009–10 Executive Committee of the Jackson Symphony League's Board of Directors includes: (back L–R)*

*Lisa Rotolo, secretary; Cheryl Miller, education vice president; Stephanie Scott, treasurer; Nora Frances McRae, president; (seated) Lyn McMillin, communications vice president;*

*Donna Russell, president-elect; (standing, front) Faira Bishop, outreach vice president; Kay Mortimer, fundraising vice president. (Not pictured, Meredith Virden, operations vice president, Robin Browning, advisory chairman)*



# Symphony League Spring Luncheon

Friday, May 7, 11:00 A.M., Country Club of Jackson

Mark your calendar for The Jackson Symphony League's annual Spring Luncheon on May 7 at the Country Club of Jackson. This year's event will feature Jane Scott Hodges, founder of couture fine linens company Leontine Linens in New Orleans. Credited with reviving the art of couture linens for the home, Jane Scott is known for her ability to introduce heirloom-quality luxury linens and accessories for everyday use.



Always fascinated with antiques and heirlooms, Jane Scott found her inspiration as she was preparing for her wedding. After stumbling on her great grandmother's trousseau in the cellar of her parents' 1780s Kentucky farmhouse, Jane Scott sought her very own bridal trousseau emblazoned with her new monogram. While searching New Orleans shops and boutiques, she discovered a need for a source for custom fine linens. She created Leontine Linens in 1996 and has since been creating luxurious, custom monogrammed linen products for the home ever since. Each couture

piece is made to order by hand in the fabrics, colors, and styles that each client selects.

Southern women adore and appreciate beautiful things, and Jane is sure to delight us with her repertoire of unique and fabulous custom linens.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$40. For more information on Jane Scott, please visit her web site at [www.leontinelinens.com](http://www.leontinelinens.com).



## Orchestra Outreach Faira Bishop, Vice President of Outreach

The February Chamber Concert at Galloway Memorial United Methodist Church featured special guest performer Olivier Latry, organist of Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris. As part of our ongoing orchestra outreach, JSL member Jan Evers extended the League's hospitality to Mr. Latry with a beautiful gift basket and flowers.



*(L-R) William Wymond, Marie-Therese Latry, Olivier Latry, Jan Evers, Crafton Beck and Michael Beattie.*



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# The Jackson Symphony League's 2009–2010 Sub Debs include...



**Jackson Academy:** 1st Row: Abby Horner, Sarah Kathryn Marley, Ellie Yates, Melissa Ramsey, Catherine Hughes, Jordan Cockayne, Mary Hastings Garraway, Emily Turbeville, Alex Calhoon, Kelsey Pettus. 2nd Row: Karley Bozeman, Emily Mangum, Caroline Porch, Mary Margaret Tardy, Emily Warner, Casey Baine, Mary Paxton Gibson, Avery Caldwell, Keri-Elizabeth Walker, Mackenzie Carmody, Taylor McIntyre, Michelle Ley, Anna Tauchar, Emma Carroll Waller, Caroline Harris, Amy Arinder, Clara Beth Tucker, Rollins Parker



**St. Andrew's Episcopal School:** 1st row: Avery Layne Lyon, Hannah James, Miriam Parker, Courtney McMullan, Susannah Green, Melissa Holy, Salem Chism, Jessica Lee. 2nd row: Tori Wilson, Hannah Arrington, Devon Rodgers, Mariam Ebeid, Cristina Leis, Madeline Balius, Rachel Lowe, Killian Buechler, Catherine Carroon, Callie Waring, Emma Liston, Emily Ann Fulton Kirkland, Mary Hannah Cooper



**Jackson Prep (group 1):** 1st row: Lee Karajman, Mandie Cox, Heather Higginbotham, Elizabeth Garland, Vivian Paris, Regan Crain, Lauren Malone, Anna Barrett, Haley Adams. 2nd row: Anna Lauren Gathings, Catherine Archer, Harlee Hinton, Madison Newcomb, Darden Veazey, Julia Markow, Anna Wright, Ashton Reed, Madeline Mangum, Katherine McLeod, Sarah Beth Rotolo, Medley Wohner, Lexie Griffin



**Jackson Prep (group 2):** 1st row: Lindsey Fuller, Madison Portie, Scotty Wofford, Hannah Gilmore, Joy Waller, Jonlyn Reeves, Annie Carpenter, Katie Wegener, Ashley Anne Peebles, Madeline Holiman. 2nd row: Mollie McGowan, Kelsey Jones, Keely Kennedy, Pauline Causey, Laura Myers, Maison Lowery, Sidney Lampton, Ann Walton Stringer, Laurel Bane, Shelby Sumner, Evans Horsley, Collins Mounger, Brittany Threadgill



**Madison Central:** 1st row: Kristen Trosclair, Dianna Arnold, Laura Beth McDonald, Rebecca Ross, Danielle Rumbley, Anna Morgan, Lauren Raphael, Maggie Iupe, Lindi Morgan. 2nd row: Elizabeth Bounds, Caroline Griffin, Mary Garner Veazey, Emily Bryant, Victoria Russell, Catherine Pettis, Catherine Falvey, Kelsey Case, Sarah Smith, Lauren Iupe, Lilly Meeks, Allie Peyton, Ruth Allison McMillin, Brittany Power, Shayna Williams, Addison Rumbley



**Madison-Ridgeland Academy:** 1st row: Kathryn Yerger, Cali Axtell, Taylor Collins, Anna Claire Henderson, Kayla Caldwell. 2nd row: Haley Cox, Lori Lee Hendrix, Kaleigh Gordon, Carol Ann Stevens, Caroline Daggett, Emily Carpenter



**St. Joseph Catholic School:** 1st row: Ashley Crandall, Victoria Barcellona, Katelyn Prager, Lindsey Barrilleaux, Alyssa Nuzzo. 2nd row: Mary Carol Davison, Meredith Loper, Laura Potts, Gracie Boland, Sadie McCafferty, Katie Gwin



Katie Lee and Maddie Tamburino from **Brandon High School**, and Erin Robertson from **Veritas**



**Northwest Rankin:** Natalie Phillips, Memrie Price



**University Christian Academy:** Bailee Johnson, Annelise Albert, Kelci Walker

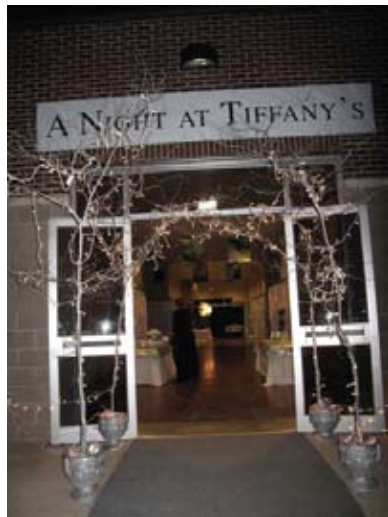
## A Night at Tiffany's

On March 5 the Mississippi Farmers' Market was transformed into a glittering ballroom for 220 Sub Debs and their dates. The theme of *A Night at Tiffany's*, selected by the Sub Debs in the fall, gave Symphony League volunteers their inspiration for decorations which included sparkling silver trees, twinkling white lights, a dramatic overhead centerpiece and the signature Tiffany Blue color woven throughout the expansive space.

Upon arrival at the Ball, each Sub Deb was presented with a fun faux jewel ring. One lucky young lady received a genuine gemstone ring donated by Jackson Jewelers. Dancing throughout the evening was to music provided by the popular DJ OBI, another feature of the event selected by the Sub Debs.

While all the guests were elegantly attired in ball gowns and tuxedos, four Sub Debs linked this special night to the long tradition of Jackson Symphony League Sub Deb Balls by wearing dresses worn by their mothers to Sub Deb balls of the past.

Sub Deb Chairman Lisa Paris praised the hard work of her committee and led the outpouring of special thanks to Sub Deb Ball Chair Jennifer Lyon, Co-Chair Bae Waller and Decorations Chair Amanda Kirkland.



*Sub Debs and their dates stepped through twinkling lights into A Night at Tiffany's.*



*Sub Deb mothers Renee Johnson and Kim Arnold prepare to welcome Ball guests.*



*The Mississippi Farmers' Market was transformed for the Sub Deb Ball.*



*Wearing their mother's Sub Deb Dresses are: Ann Walton Stringer, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Lyn Stringer, Avery Layne Lyon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lyon, Victoria Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Russell and Pauline Causey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Causey.*

## A Note from Nora Frances

Nora Frances McRae, JSL President

Throughout my year as President of the Jackson Symphony League, I have been amazed by the depth of volunteer commitment within our organization. Symphony League volunteers give their time and resources in a multitude of ways. We plan festive events to raise money for the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra, feed musicians, bring music education to school children and to adults, introduce high school girls to symphony volunteer work and keep track of all sorts of lists and financial reports. We network proudly with the National Association of Symphony Orchestras, support scholarships for young musicians and try our best to think creatively about future projects and improvements. We work to spread the news about all that the Jackson Symphony League does in the community. In the process of doing all this, we also manage to have a good bit of fun.

As your Jackson Symphony League President, one of my main goals has been to keep the purpose of all this

varied activity at the forefront: We exist to support the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra. Attending the many concerts offered by the MSO inspires us to continue our work of supporting the beautiful symphonic music made available to our community by our orchestra. We need to remember that every League membership, every silent auction purchase at the Symphony Ball, every supper served to the orchestra members at a rehearsal, and every morning spent chaperoning a children's concert strengthens our Mississippi Symphony Orchestra and enriches our community. I invite you to continue participating in this longstanding and worthwhile tradition of support for the Mississippi Symphony. I hope to see you at our Spring Luncheon on May 7, followed by the Pepsi Pops Concert that evening. These are two wonderful opportunities to experience the fun and rewards of being a part of the MSO family.



## JSL Continues Emphasis on Education

Cheryl Miller, Vice President of Education

The Jackson Symphony League dedicates many volunteer hours to music education for children, youth and adults. Here are some important ways JSL is helping this year:

**JPS All-City Orchestra:** JSL volunteers served lunch to 600 students in the JPS strings programs as they had intensive and fun rehearsals with nationally-recognized leaders. Their concert was March 30 at Murrah High School.

**JPS Kinder Concerts:** Many JSL volunteers will assist with over 3200 pre-school through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students as they attend concerts at Whitten Middle School on April 24 & 25. These students will have access to the world's finest music through creative programming.

**Premier Orchestral Institute:** This week-long summer camp gives young musicians the opportunity to learn more about performing with an orchestra. POI will be held the first week of June at St. Joseph Catholic School. JSL volunteers will help with lunches for the students and instructors.

**Clef Notes:** JSL continues to offer adult education through the popular *Clef Notes* luncheon series. Held the Friday before every Saturday Bravo Concert, guests enjoyed a delicious lunch at The Fairview Inn, while learning about the upcoming concert from MSO's Conductor Crafton Beck or visiting guest artists. *Clef Notes* enjoyed a record-breaking year, thanks to the dedicated leadership of Sylvia Carraway and Regina Boyles.

**Eddie Hodges Scholarship Foundation Trust:** This 52-year-old fund was started in honor of child star Eddie Hodges, who performed with the symphony in 1958. Countless youth receive scholarships to attend summer music camps.

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## Pops III: Pepsi Pops

Pack the picnic basket and join MSO on the Ross Barnett Reservoir for a fun, family-friendly program peppered with light classics, patriotic marches, movie themes and a brilliant fireworks finale! Tickets are \$15 at the gate, \$12 in advance and can be purchased on the web site: [www.msorchestra.com](http://www.msorchestra.com) or by calling the MSO office: 601.960.1565.

**PEPSI POPS**  
**7:30 P.M.**  
**Friday, May 7**  
**Old Trace Park**  
**Ridgeland**

