

# Portland Community Orchestra

## Music Director & Conductor

Vinny Fuerst

### Violin I

Caroline Loupe  
Hillary Barter  
Stefanie Barley  
Martha Naber  
W. Dixon Riley  
Kay Wheeler

Jeffrey Grosser, *guest artist*  
*Matthew Hume, on leave*

### Violin II

Don Crandall  
Maggie Daniels  
Diana Fish  
Peter Lee  
Debra Yoo  
Laurie Phillips  
Alan Lukas  
Joan Zikowitz

Barbara O'Brien-Graff

### Viola

Carol Marshburn  
Jenny Karod  
Lynn Rider  
Mark Curtis

*Norene Tibbetts, on leave*

### Cello

Bill McNeal  
Chelsea Scudder  
Dale McCormick  
Hailey Dimond  
*Kate LeRoy, on leave*

### Double Bass

Charlie Oehrtmann, *guest artist*

### Flute

Nancy Renton  
Julie Faure

### Oboe

Chet Bishop  
Billie Jo Brito, *guest artist*  
Hugh Maynard, *guest artist*

### Clarinet

Barry Daniels

### Bassoon

Marilyn Gordon



## Portland Community Orchestra

**Friday, November 2, 2018 7:30 pm**

*at Trinity Episcopal Church, 580 Forest Avenue, Portland*

J.C.F. Fischer: Journal du printemps no. 4

Telemann: Concerto for 3 Oboes

*soloists ~ Billie Jo Brito, Hugh Maynard, Chet Bishop*

Gluck: Dance of the Blessed Spirits

*soloists ~ Nancy Renton & Julie Faure*

Vivaldi: Concerto for 2 Violins in A minor

*soloists ~ Elwen Kostadinova & Lizzy Sprague*

Haydn: Symphony No. 90 - first movement

*The Portland Community Orchestra is an ensemble which provides an enriching musical experience for amateur musicians of all ages. Please visit [portlandcommunityorchestra.org](http://portlandcommunityorchestra.org) for more information.*

 *Reception to Follow* 

## Our Soloists

**Billie Jo Brito**, oboist, lives with her family in Lewiston, Maine. She currently is co-principal of the Midcoast Symphony Orchestra and performs with orchestras throughout mid and northern Maine. Billie Jo has been a teacher at Lewiston Middle School for the past 18 years and owns a small business with her husband in Lewiston.

**Hugh Maynard** is a free-lance oboist based in Bath, Maine. He performs solo, and in chamber music ensembles and orchestras of all sizes. Hugh performs in recitals, concerts, musicals, church services, weddings, and special events.

**Chet Bishop** began playing oboe in the 7th grade. In college, he majored in Russian language and studies, continuing to play oboe. After serving in the Army he moved to Maine, eventually working as an architectural draftsman & designer in Portland. Chet also volunteers as a signal superintendent at the Seashore Trolley Museum.

Music has been a part of **Nancy Renton's** life since 4th grade, when she started playing violin. In 6th grade she moved on to bassoon, which she played through high school. Following stints singing in the *Portland Community Chorus* and *Magic of Christmas Chorus*, Nancy took up the flute in 2004 and rediscovered the delights of ensemble playing as a member of *Fiddle-icious*, and then PCO, enjoying both Vinny's music selections and making friends with fellow musicians. Now happily retired, she also enjoys reading, knitting, horseback riding, stained glass work, and doing nothing at her camp in Madrid, Maine . . . and of course, watching the Red Sox!

A teacher by profession, **Julie Faure** has loved music all her life. She has recently taken up her flute again with great pleasure and a little more time to devote to it. She is very happy to have found the PCO to play in, and loves the PCO's mission to support young soloists.

**Elwen Kostadinova** is a tenth grader at Baxter Academy and has been studying violin with Margaret Hopkins for seven years. Elwen lives in Portland and enjoys all forms of art - visual, literary and musical.

**Lizzy Sprague** has been playing the violin since she was 4 years old and has loved every minute of it! This is her third year playing with USM's Youth Ensembles, this year with the *Portland Youth Junior Orchestra*. Playing in an orchestra is one of her favorite things, a realization she came to at her very first rehearsal. Her other hobbies include, sleeping in, cleaning her room, reading, and camping. Lizzy is a 13 year old, homeschooled, high school Freshman. Her home is a busy, loving place, with her mom and dad, three sisters, two cats, and a dog.

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## Portland Community Orchestra 2018-19 Season

Sunday, December 16, 2018, 3:00 PM  
Christmas with the PCO - Music of the Season

Friday, March 8, 2019, 7:30 PM  
featuring the PCO Concerto Student Soloist Winner

Saturday, May 11, 2019, 7:30 PM  
featuring Mozart's Magic Flute Overture