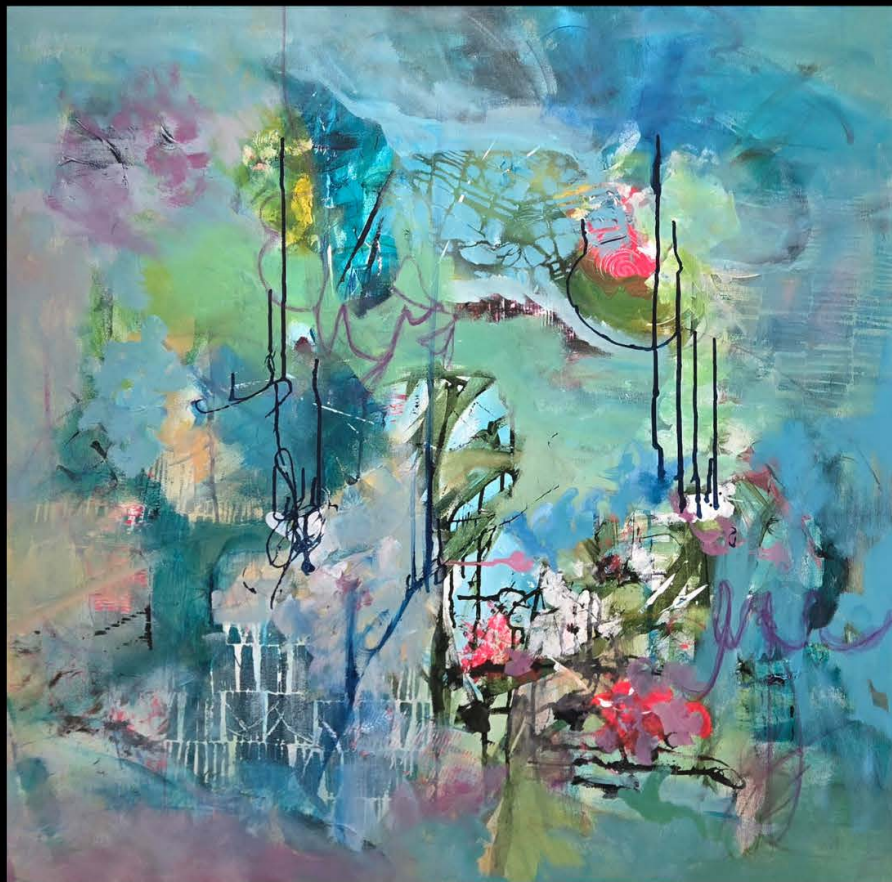
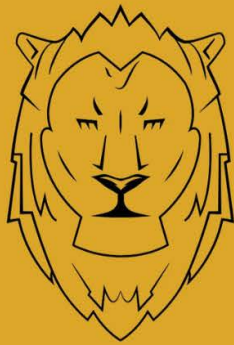


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Information about these wonderful artists can be found on page 11. Complete programs appear on pages 5, 7, and 9.

We look forward to seeing you all season long, and thank you for your support through your generous contributions and attendance at our concerts. Special thanks to our sponsors whose generosity and support make these concerts possible. Special thanks to The_Modern, the official hotel of the Chamber Orchestra. Sponsors and donors are listed on page 13.

More complete information can be found on the orchestra's website.

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Robert Vodnoy, music director
Angela Massey, flute; Rafael Ramirez, viola
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January 22, 2026, 7:30pm, First Presbyterian Church

Mozart & More!

- Divertimento No. 2 in B-Flat, k. 137
Allegro di molto--Andante--Allegro assai
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- Andante cantabile*
Scott Kluksdahl, cello
Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
- Soliloquy*
Angela Massey, flute
Lowell Lieberman
- Prelude for Viola Alone*
Rafael Ramirez, viola
Hugo Kauder
- Concertino for Flute, Viola, and Strings
Allegro comodo--Andante--Allegro (fuga)
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February 19, 2026, 7:30pm

First Presbyterian Church

The French Connection

Overture in C Minor, d. 8

Franz Schubert

Introduction and Allegro

Maurice Ravel

Giuseppina Ciarla, harp

Carmen Newell Bannon, flute

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String Symphony No. 1 in C Major

Felix Mendelssohn

Allegro--Andante--Allegro

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Robert Vodnoy, music director
Ilana Zaks-Nederlander, violin
March 26, 2026, 7:30pm
First Presbyterian Church

Four Seasons Mashup

February: Carnival from The Seasons Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Spring from The Four Seasons, Op. 8, no. 1 Antonio Vivaldi
Allegro--Largo e pianissimo sempre--Danza pastorale (Allegro)

Summer from The Four Seasons of Buenos Aires Astor Piazzolla

Fall from The American Seasons Mark O'Connor

Winter from The Four Seasons, Op. 8, no. 4 Antonio Vivaldi
Allegro non molto--Largo--Allegro

Ilana Zaks-Nederlander, violin

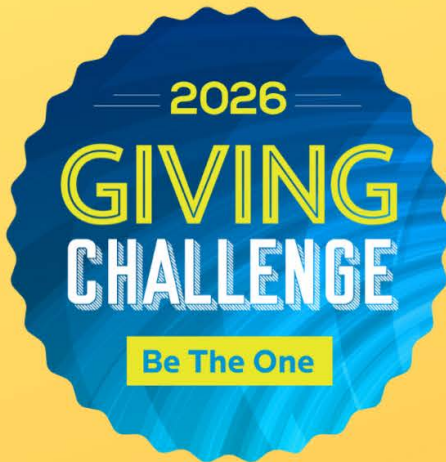
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Apollo--Aphrodite--Ares



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Guest Artist Biographies



Angela Massey is the Artistic Director and flutist of the Astralis Chamber Ensemble, with which she performs over sixty recitals each year. She is the flute instructor at Florida Gulf Coast University.



Rafael Ramirez is principal violist of the Chamber Orchestra of Sarasota. Ramirez is also principal violist of the Venice Symphony, and has performed with the New World Symphony Orchestra, Symphony of the Americas, and numerous orchestras throughout the US.



Scott Kluksdahl is principal cellist of the Chamber Orchestra of Sarasota. He has performed for nearly four decades as chamber musician, recitalist and soloist in the United States, Europe, Israel, and Central and South America.



Giuseppina Ciarla is a classical musician and a groundbreaking crossover performer combining her artistry of voice and harp. She is the harpist with the Chamber Orchestra of Sarasota, and principal harpist of the Sarasota Opera and Venice Symphony.



Asher Carlson enjoys an active solo and chamber music career and is Principal Clarinet of the Venice Symphony, Principal Bass Clarinet of the Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra, and performs with the EPCOT Candlelight Orchestra at Walt Disney World, the Sarasota Opera, and St. Pete Opera.



Ilana Zaks-Nederlander has been described as “fearless, refreshing and commanding” (Boston Music Intelligencer). She is currently a member of the Venice Symphony and has performed with the Pittsburgh Symphony, the Seattle Symphony and Seattle Opera.

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Robert Vodnoy, Music Director

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