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# SAN DIEGO YOUTH SYMPHONY

2020-21 ANNUAL REPORT



With a vision of lives enriched by music, and values that embrace commitment, creativity, equity, collaboration and service, San Diego Youth Symphony (SDYS) instills excellence in musical achievement and personal growth through rigorous and inspiring music education experiences.

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# A LETTER FROM OUR CEO AND BOARD CHAIR

Like so many non-profits, and especially like our non-profits serving young people, 2020-21 will probably be a year most would like to forget rather than remember. And yet, on reflection, it is a year when many memories were made.

The strongest memories are those that show the incredible resilience of our students. Week after week and month after month, they demonstrated how important music education is in their lives and how much making music fed their souls when they couldn't be together. We heard over and over how much music was the "tie that binds," the reason to persevere, and the foundation for the connection we all needed in a time of isolation. These kids inspired us. They became role models for us. And most importantly, they convincingly reminded us how lucky we are to get to do what we do.

We're also inspired and sustained by the hundreds of families, donors, community partners, and teaching artists who said "music matters" and who urged us to keep going, and to keep coming up with ways to engage and inspire the SDYS community. Thank you for playing a part in that, for supporting the cause, and for passionately believing in the notion that the thousands of young people SDYS serves, even those you might never meet, need music to nurture their souls.

As we look ahead, on the precipice of coming back together, there are challenges to be sure, but that resilience and inspiration are compelling reasons to keep our mission and vision at the forefront of everything we do. SDYS enriches the lives of young people through music. Thank you for helping us do what we do best.

Sincerely,



Dr. Michael Remson  
President and CEO



Sue Greenway  
Chair, Board of Directors



DR. MICHAEL REMSON  
President and CEO



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Chair, Board of Directors

# A SEASON LIKE NO OTHER

## FACING THE CHALLENGE

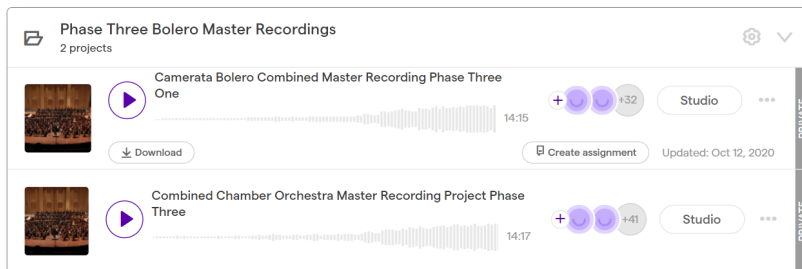
With six months of pandemic programming behind us, SDYS started the 2020-21 season with a full roster of students and families. But the lessons we had learned in the previous season convinced us that we had to do better. Online music making, just like online schooling, presented myriad challenges, and our students both needed and deserved new ways to be engaged and different outlets for creativity and performance. While virtual performances continued to be part of our Conservatory programming, we diversified the curriculum to create an online music education conference for students and families. Community programs re-focused their efforts on musical creativity and individual or small group instruction, thereby fostering stronger student-teacher bonds and creating much needed lifelines. Early Childhood programs improved their virtual technology and on-demand learning tools, resulting in stronger engagement and strengthening family bonds through at-home music-making.



*Youth Leadership Council members collaborated to produce virtual performances including a celebration of works by Black composers.*

## FOCUSING ON WHAT REALLY MATTERS

These efforts were undertaken with a few simple goals in mind: to stay connected, to tell our young people that they were important, and to tell them that we, in the music education community, were here to support them. And the bonds grew stronger, especially between the students themselves. They formed clubs to share their passions and to help each other; they created online performances to stay connected; and most importantly, they showed up for each other. After the social unrest of the summer of 2020, it was clear our students had something to say...and SDYS is doing its best to keep listening. Going forward, we are committed to keeping these values front and center and making every “silver lining” from the pandemic a part of how we serve our community.



*Conductors, teaching artists, and students engaged via SoundTrap, an online collaboration tool, to produce virtual concerts to share with families.*



## CONNECTING THE COMMUNITY

Despite the pandemic, our students and the SDYS team were able to build stronger connections to our community. San Diego Symphony led online master classes for our students and families at our Music Education Mini-Conference. SDYS connected with seven other youth music groups across San Diego and Tijuana to create the “(You Are) Amazing” project, and composer Brian Balmages hosted an online rehearsal for students from all eight youth orchestras. Our ensembles hosted dozens of conductors, performers, and alumni who shared not just their stories, but also how they were coping during the pandemic, inspiring all of our students. SDYS shared its students’ accomplishments across the region and the nation, thanks to support from local media outlets and our collaborative partners. In a time when we were forced to be apart, we worked to bring communities together.



*A scene from “(You Are) Amazing” featuring students from across the region, sharing a message of hope and encouragement.*

## HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

In the spring of 2021, SDYS took the first tentative steps to return to safe, in-person programming. Beginning with our early childhood program CHIMES, families began to experience in-person music making and instruction for the first time in a year. This was followed by chamber music workshops in Balboa Park, and ultimately San Diego Foundation-sponsored Level Up camps for students in San Diego Unified. Students and families delighted in the chance to come together through music and we cautiously began planning for a return to in-person rehearsals and performances for the 2021-22 school year — a year when we can finally celebrate our 75th anniversary — and following a season like no other.



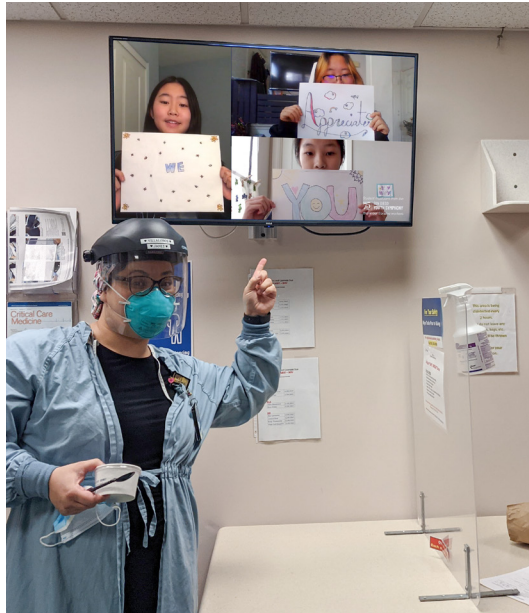
*CHIMES classes were the first to resume in person with families gathering at the Marston House in Balboa Park to sing, dance, and make music together.*

# 75TH ANNIVERSARY



## FALL MINI-CONFERENCE

Workshops and master classes with clinicians from San Diego Symphony and around the nation; Premiere of virtual Bolero.



## HONORING FRONTLINE WORKERS

Video showing students “conquering” Covid-19 strikes a chord with San Diego hospital workers.



## CHIMES IN PERSON

SDYS’ first in-person classes in over a year thanks to the Marston House and Liberty Station.



# SEASON HIGHLIGHTS



## “(YOU ARE) AMAZING”

Nearly 350 young musicians from 8 youth music programs in 2 countries sharing 1 simple message: music education matters.



## CHAMBER MUSIC WORKSHOPS

Spring workshops gave SDYS orchestra students their first chance to play together in fifteen months.



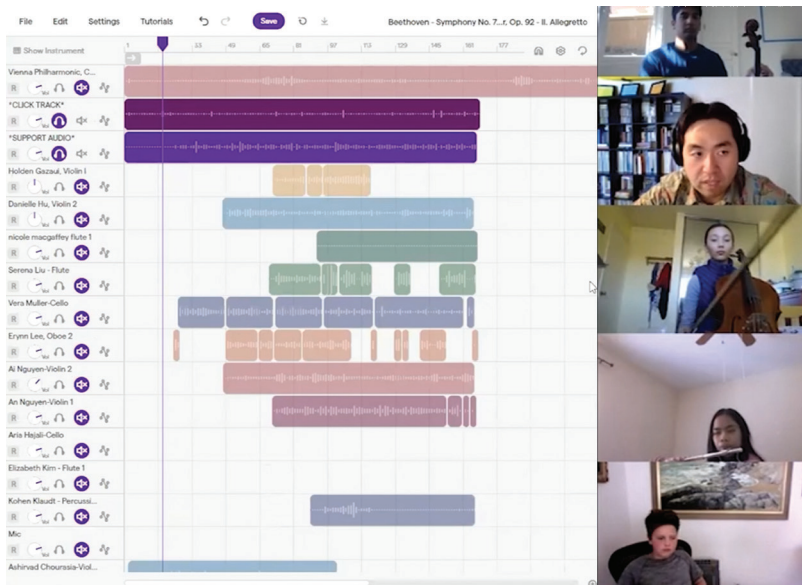
## SUMMER CAMPS

San Diego Foundation-supported programs gave hundreds of students the chance to be enriched by music.



# ENSEMBLE PROGRAMS

Giving young people the opportunity to have meaningful music education experiences as part of participating in a musical ensemble is the core of SDYS' mission and activities. Through music, young people have the artistic, academic, and social experiences that shape lives and offer the kinds of learning that only the arts provide.



Students worked hard to engage in virtual settings; here conductor Anthony Do-Hoon Kim coaches students in refining their individual parts.



Musical ArtStops continued with students performing in an empty San Diego Museum of Art, with resulting videos made available online.

## YOUTH ORCHESTRA PROGRAMS

SDYS' flagship youth orchestra programs in San Diego's historic Balboa Park host as many as 600 students in 14 year-round ensembles ranging in experience level from beginning to pre-professional. Students participate in weekly rehearsals and perform as part of their ensemble at least 2-3 times each season. Taken together, these programs provide thousands of hours of classroom-based training. No student is turned away for inability to pay. Students whose families cannot afford tuition are provided assistance through the Encore Fund. The Fund pays tuition, loans instruments and assists with supplies and maintenance, offers group and private lessons, and provides a variety of additional services to both students and families.

In 2020-21, SDYS ensembles were held virtually, delivering meaningful learning opportunities to hundreds of young musicians on a weekly basis. Students performed online, participated in SDYS-sponsored music education conferences, created original compositions, and learned through a variety of music electives. In the spring and summer of 2021, SDYS held its first in-person classes, with 300+ participating in chamber music programs and summer camps funded, in part, by the Level Up initiative. On hiatus in 2021, we look forward to the program's return in 2022.

## INTERNATIONAL YOUTH SYMPHONY

Each summer, the International Youth Symphony, offered in partnership with the Rotary International Youth Exchange, brings dozens of international students to San Diego for a summer of learning and cultural exchange. The program is unique in three respects: 1) it was the first music-based exchange program in Rotary history; 2) it is the only youth exchange program conducted in partnership with a non-Rotary organization; and, 3) it is the only youth exchange program that brings local and international students together, all of whom must demonstrate, through auditions, the appropriate skill level to participate. On hiatus in 2021, we look forward to the program's return in 2022.



NUMBER OF 2020-2021  
PLACEMENTS IN SDYS' YOUTH  
ORCHESTRA PROGRAMS



NUMBER OF CLASSROOM  
HOURS DELIVERED AS PART OF  
ENSEMBLE PROGRAMS



PERCENTAGE OF  
STUDENTS WHO RETURNED  
FROM 2019 TO 2020



**OPUS ALUMNI  
PARTICIPATED IN SDYS  
BALBOA PARK ENSEMBLES  
IN 2020-2021**



**AFTER-SCHOOL  
PROGRAMS IN CVESD  
(VIRTUAL IN 2020-21)**



**AGGREGATE MINORITY  
ENROLLMENT AT  
OPUS CAMPUSES**

## COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

For nearly two decades, SDYS has worked to bring music to schools and community centers across San Diego County. These programs recognize that not every young person has the means or the ability to travel to Balboa Park on a weekly basis and acknowledges that to be a twenty-first century arts organization means embedding our work where the work is needed most. Even in a pandemic year, SDYS led a variety of partnerships and collaborations with schools and school districts across San Diego County. These programs build the value proposition for arts education programs in our schools and for the positive impact arts-rich learning experiences have on young people. In 2020-21, SDYS was proud to continue partnerships with Price Philanthropies and the Hoover High School cluster in San Diego Unified and to initiate new partnerships with E3 Civic High School and the NTC Foundation's Liberty School.

### THE OPUS PROJECT

The Opus Project is one of the most successful public-private partnerships in the nation, restoring and enhancing arts-rich programming in California's largest elementary school district, the Chula Vista Elementary School District in South Bay. Inspired by Venezuela's El Sistema youth orchestra program, it is based on the premise that every child can learn to experience and express music deeply, benefit from it, and thrive from being part of a group striving to achieve excellence together. Family participation is essential — parents are welcomed into the music classes and are taught ways to support student learning.

SDYS knows that an after-school program can only go so far. Instead, a systemic approach takes the entire ecosystem into account and engages it through wrap-around activities that ensure student success, artistically, academically and socio-emotionally. SDYS is also implementing an approach that allows campuses to “graduate” over time — thereby building a more sustainable program at each school.



# COMMUNITY PARTNERS

## GOVERNMENT SUPPORT



## FOUNDATION UNDERWRITING



## CORPORATE UNDERWRITING



## MEMBERSHIPS & PARTNERSHIPS



*SDYS led Level Up summer camps to support students as they returned safely to in-person learning in June 2021.*



*City and County support for those in need of internet access and equipment helped students in our community programs participate in online learning.*

# EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

SDYS' early childhood program, ChIMES (Childhood Introduction to Music Education, with Smiles), is the first step of San Diego Youth Symphony's cradle-to-college approach to instilling a lifelong love of music in children from birth to five years. The highly interactive ChIMES structure, designed to enhance and enrich the musical participation of teachers, parents, and caregivers, makes musical learning the catalyst for early childhood physical and socio-emotional development. The ChIMES curriculum provides a foundation that prepares children to enter school with the tools they need for success. ChIMES curriculum develops both motor and aural skills by incorporating singing, movement, rhythm activities, and hands-on instrument play. ChIMES was first piloted in SDYS' 2017-18 season and has grown exponentially. Our goal is to gradually add presenting partners throughout San Diego County and then embark on a national growth strategy that includes licensing, product lines, video resource libraries and train-the-trainer options. As that is implemented, the next phase of SDYS' work for pre-ensemble age children, SDYS' Music Discovery, will be piloted in 2022.



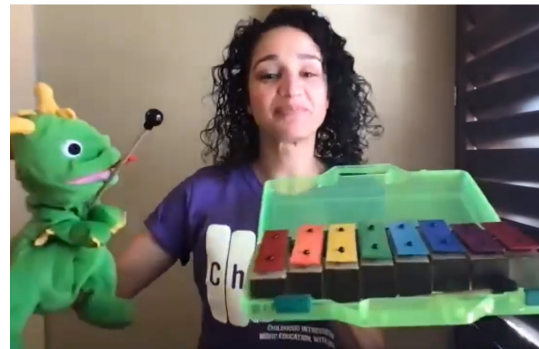
**FAMILIES PARTICIPATING IN  
VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON  
PROGRAMS IN 2020-21**



**SCHOOL PARTNERS IN 2020-21**



*ChIMES@Home virtual classes allowed little ones and their families to safely connect with music-making and each other via Zoom.*



*ChIMES Teaching Artist Michelle Caravia conducts bilingual classes that are extremely popular with families from all backgrounds.*



*SDYS introduced outdoor ChIMES classes at Liberty Station following the success of classes at Balboa Park, doubling our teaching capacity.*

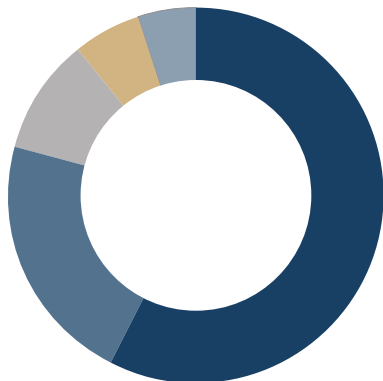
# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

- Earned income of **\$483,783**
- Contributed income of **\$930,927**
- Government grant income of **\$832,088**
- Investment revenue of **\$460,708**
- Total operating revenue of **\$2,707,506**



## INCOME

- 17.9% Earned income
- 34.4% Contributed income
- 30.7% Government income
- 17% Investment income



## EXPENSES

- 57.5% Program staff
- 21.7% Administration and fundraising staff
- 10% Program costs
- 5.8% Fundraising
- 5% G&A

As part of federal government support to non-profit organizations through the American Rescue Plan, SDYS received support from the NEA CARES fund, two rounds of Payroll Protection Program assistance, and several quarters of Employee Retention Tax Credits, all of which helped SDYS maintain 100% operations and keep 100% of full-time staff, and the vast majority of part-time staff, employed during the global pandemic. Without this level of federal funding, SDYS' FY21 income statement would have shown a deep loss of income, as much as 39% when compared to the previous fiscal year.



*Throughout the season, SDYS upheld its standards for high quality learning experiences while maintaining 100% operations.*



# DONORS & PARTNERS



## ANNUAL FUND

### \$25,000+

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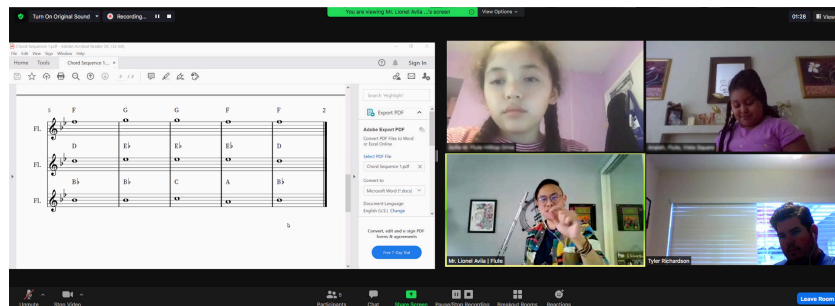
## MUSIC MAKERS

A recurring giving program, Music Makers ensure SDYS students and programs are supported throughout the year.

This support provides resources to our current music programs and helps create new opportunities, reaching even more youth in San Diego.

Maurine Beinbrink & James Algert  
Karen & James Botticelli  
Griselda Delgado  
Sara & Eduardo Franqui  
Lesia & Dr. Allan Goetz

Megan Matthew  
Andrew Williams  
Terry & Eric Williams  
Jennifer Wilson



## LEGACY CIRCLE

SDYS thanks the following generous Legacy Circle members for providing lasting support for our students and programs through planned giving. Legacy gifts impact generations of young people through scholarship support, instrument loans, private lessons, conservatory classes, and other special opportunities.

James Algert  
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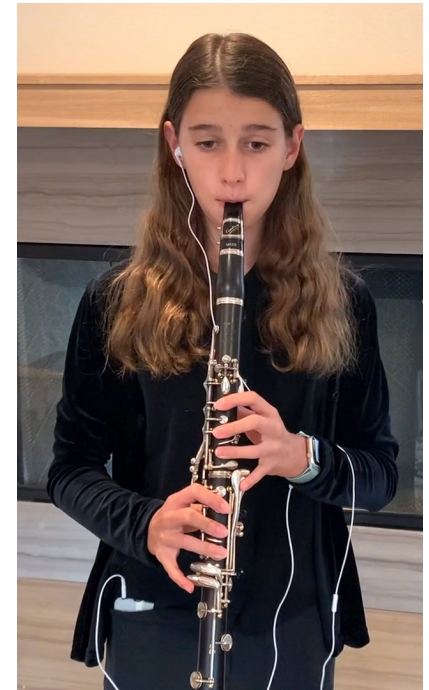
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Jonathan Witcher

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Mary Dukas & Michael Waterman

**In Honor of Al Williams**  
Dr. Georgia Robins Sadler

**In Honor of Ella Young, our 15 year old violinist**  
Stacie Young & Dana Hosseini



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## \$100-249

The Illumina Foundation Matching Gifts Program  
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## LESS THAN \$100

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The City of San Diego  
Federal Small Business Administration  
National Endowment for the Arts  
State of California Small Business Administration

## \$10,000-24,999

California Arts Council  
County of San Diego



# TICKETS WITH PURPOSE

Tickets With Purpose provides free tickets to SDYS performances to young people and their families across our community who might not otherwise have access to quality music performances and inspiring arts experiences. Due to pandemic-related lack of performances in 2020-21, SDYS is reviewing this program and aligning it more closely with diversity, recruiting, and pedagogical initiatives. In previous years, SDYS was pleased to partner with the following organizations:

ARTS - A Reason to Survive  
 Access Youth Academy  
 Balboa Park Cultural Access Pass  
 Balboa Park Cultural Institutions  
 David's Harp Foundation  
 Gompers Preparatory Academy  
 Habitat for Humanity  
 Home Start  
 Hoover High School  
 Jewish Family Services  
 LJMS Community Music Center

Malashock Dance  
 Monroe Clark Middle School  
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 Rosa Parks Elementary School  
 San Diego Youth Services  
 School of Creative & Performing Arts  
 Soaring Minds  
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 Wilson Middle School  
 YMCA  
 Young Lions Jazz Conservatory



*Social distancing, masks, and wind instrument bell covers helped students return to group music-making at summer Level Up camps.*

# IN-KIND DONATIONS

SDYS is pleased to receive in-kind donations from the following generous members of our community. In-kind donations include musical instruments, performance clothing, instrument supplies and cases, and office equipment, all of which serve to benefit the students and staff of SDYS.

Nicholas J. Beck  
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 Laurel Dasso  
 Gail and Bob Dunham  
 Ken Fried  
 Felix Frueh  
 Jennifer Griffin

Traci Illiff  
 Heidi Krantz  
 Aimee Levine  
 Jaclyn Lezek  
 Norma Mai  
 Julie Myers  
 Clayton Nagle  
 Evelyn Viora  
 Marty Werner



*Online learning wasn't always easy; students and SDYS conducting and teaching staff worked hard to maintain connections.*



# Angels' Angels

Angels' Angels are passionate supporters of SDYS who believe that music education is a gateway to opportunity and that every young person deserves access to quality music education programs. Annual membership includes invitations to three private events, preferred concert seating, and fellowship with other members who believe in the lifelong value of music education.

## ANGELS' ANGELS SPONSORS

Dr. Louis Alpinieri

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*Students and their teachers performed for a delighted Encore! audience at our first in-person patron event in over a year.*



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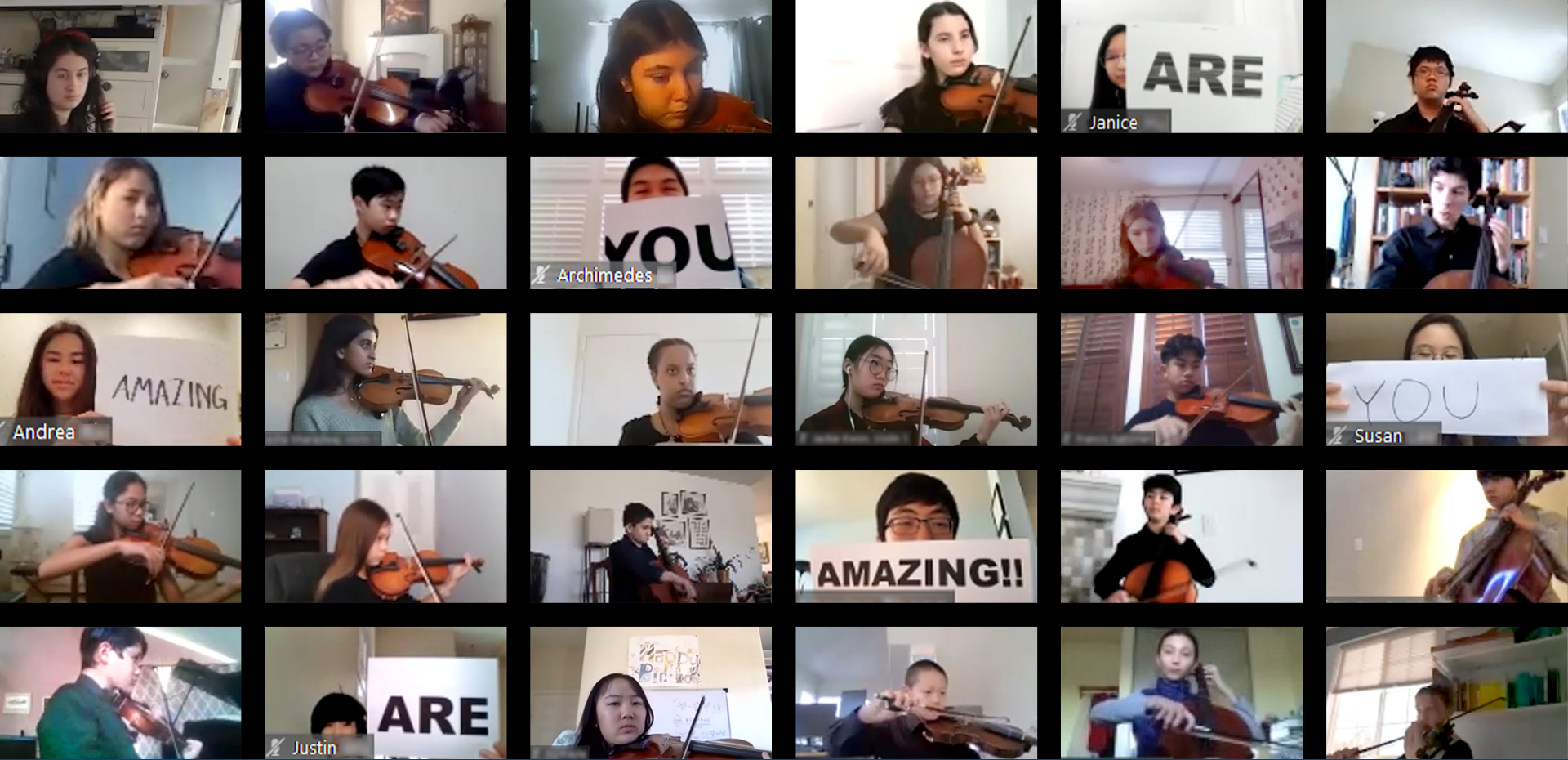
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