

Parkway Concert Orchestra presents a spring concert in memory of Bill and Muriel Porter on Sunday, May 7 at 3 p.m. at Ursuline Academy, 85 Lowder Street, Dedham. Music Director Thomas Kociela conducts the 50 piece non-profit orchestra in an exciting program including Buckaroo Holiday by Copland, Mozart's The Impresario Overture, and Indiana Jones by John Williams. The program features PCO Concertmaster Sarah Rogers, in Havanaise by Saint-Saëns, and Fauré's Pavane performed by PCO principal flute Jennifer Digiacomio. Florence Price's Adoration will be performed in anticipation of Mother's Day.

The program is sponsored by Dedham Savings and is supported in part by an operating support grant through the Cultural Sector Recovery Grants for Organizations program from the Mass Cultural Council, as well as a grant from the Dedham Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency. Donation is \$15; \$10 for seniors and students; and free for children under 12 years old. Doors will open at 2:30 p.m. For more information, please call 781-444-5041.



Sarah Rogers, violin



Sarah Rogers is a conservatory-trained violinist based in Quincy, Massachusetts. An active freelancer in the Greater Boston Area, Sarah earned her Bachelor of Music in Violin Performance from the Eastman School of Music under the tutelage of Juliana Athayde and Lynn Blaskelee. A lifelong chamber musician, Sarah is an alumna of the prestigious Castleman Quartet Program.

Sarah graduated from the Fine Arts Center of Greenville, South Carolina, studying with John Ravnar and Deirdre Hutton. During her tenure there, she was a member of prize-winning chamber ensembles, premiering works by composer-in-residence Dr. Jon Jeffrey Grier.

Sarah has served as the Parkway Concert Orchestra's concertmaster since 2018. She performs on a modern violin made by David Deroy in Vannes, France in 2008.

Program

Edvard Grieg
Suite from Sigurd Jorsalfar, Op. 56
III. Huldigungsmarsch

Camille Saint-Saëns
Havanaise, Op. 83

Sarah Rogers, violin

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Der Schauspieldirektor (The Impresario) Overture, K. 486

Brian Bell, Resident Conductor

Gabriel Fauré
Pavane, Op. 50

Jennifer Digiacomo, flute
(in memory of our friend, Muriel Porter)

—Intermission—

Aaron Copland
Rodeo
I. Buckaroo Holiday

Florence Price
Adoration

Arr.: Robert Jones

John Williams
Indiana Jones and The Kingdom of the Crystal Skull
Raiders March — Marion's Theme — Journey to Akator — Irina's Theme — Raiders March

Arr.: Victor López



**The Parkway Concert Orchestra
is proud to dedicate this concert to
Bill and Muriel Porter**

This past year we lost one of the “legendary” members of the Parkway Concert Orchestra – Muriel Porter. Muriel met her future husband, Bill, when she joined the orchestra in 1950 as a flute player, and she continued to play until she retired from the orchestra in 2015. Her musical contributions were a constant gift to the orchestra.

Importantly, Muriel and her husband Bill (who played trombone) coordinated and managed the PCO for over 35 years. Even after they retired, Bill and Muriel were the orchestra’s staunchest cheerleaders. Muriel rarely missed a concert, and attended our fall concert in October 2022.

Today, it takes a Board of fifteen members to do the work that the Porters did to keep the orchestra functioning. Clearly Bill and Muriel left big shoes to fill. We know that without their dedication and vision over many years, there would likely be no Parkway Concert Orchestra today.

For this reason, the orchestra is pleased to announce the establishment of the Bill and Muriel Porter Memorial Fund. This special fund will be used to help bring outstanding soloists to perform with the orchestra for many years to come. Both Bill and Muriel were thrilled to welcome the soloists who have performed with us in the past, and we know they would be pleased to have a fund in their name continue this endeavor.

If you would like to contribute to this fund, your donation of any size would be most welcome. You may send a check to The Parkway Concert Orchestra, Inc., P.O. Box 1025, Dedham, MA 02027 or contribute on our website at parkwayconcertorchestra.org. Please indicate that your donation is for the Bill and Muriel Porter Memorial Fund.