



125TH ANNIVERSARY ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

Inspiring Community Through Music



A LETTER FROM THE CAMPAIGN CHAIR



Seven years ago, a group of Bangor Symphony Orchestra board members, musicians, and staff convened for a series of strategic planning sessions. We had big ideas for the future of the BSO that centered on investing in education and community programs, while embracing a spirit of innovation on stage. These were inspiring conversations to be a part of, but the elephant in the room was always clear: how do we make it happen?

We set our sights on a campaign to grow the BSO's endowment in celebration of our landmark 125th anniversary season and to ensure this ambitious vision for the future could come to fruition. While Covid-19 got in the way for a while, I am pleased to report that our efforts have raised \$1.1M towards a goal of \$1.25M.

My wife Cindy and I believe strongly in the power of the BSO to bring our community together during the times we need it most. We hope you will join us by making a gift to support the BSO. A contribution of any amount will help innovative and inspiring music and education programs endure in our community. Thank you for supporting the next 125 years of the BSO!



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Kubetz*



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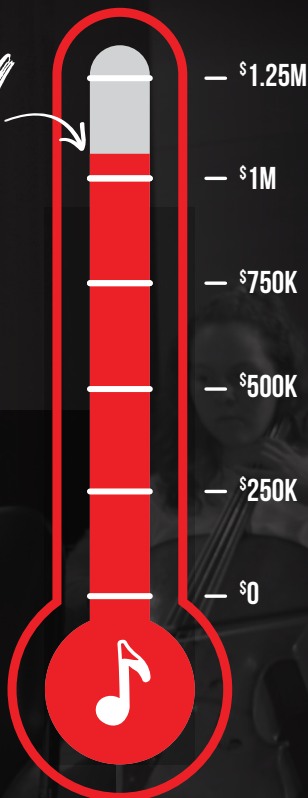
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We are here
\$1.1M



YOUR GIFT SUPPORTS...



The future of music education in our community



Outreach programs focused on accessibility



Concerts that aim to inspire us, move us, and connect us

MAKE YOUR GIFT TODAY!

WHAT CAN I GIVE?

- Gifts of cash (via check or credit/debit card) or appreciated securities
- IRA charitable rollover (for those 70.5 and older)
- Multi-year pledge (up to 5 years)

HOW CAN I GIVE?



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ABOUT THE ENDOWMENT



The Bangor Symphony Orchestra's mission is to provide powerful, enriching, and diverse musical experiences through live concert performances and education programs of the highest quality. The Endowment Fund ensures this critical mission will be fulfilled for future generations and through periods of great unpredictability.

The BSO's Endowment is comprised of a general fund, the draw of which offsets critical artistic and operational expenses each year, as well as restricted purpose funds, established by donors to underwrite individual musician chairs and specific educational programs, such as the Bangor Symphony Youth Orchestras. Ticket sales only cover 40% of annual expenses, with the Endowment Fund playing a vital role as we seek to keep ticket prices affordable while growing for the future.



HOW YOUR GIFT WORKS:

1. A donor makes a gift to the General Endowment Fund, which supports all aspects of the BSO's artistic and educational programming. *(Please talk to us if interested in a restricted purpose or named gift).*
2. The Investment Committee prudently invests the donor's gift across major asset classes in the BSO's portfolio to maximize long-term total return and manage risk.
3. A predetermined portion of the annual return* is used for the intended purpose. The Fund's principal remains intact.
4. The remainder of the annual return is reinvested along with the Fund's principal as a hedge against inflation and to generate growth.
5. The Fund continues to grow, ensuring future support.

**Currently calculated as 5% of the rolling three year average fair market value*



CELEBRATING A FELLOW MUSICIAN

Bob Nicholson joined the Bangor Symphony Orchestra bass section in 1994 and was a self-proclaimed “latecomer” to orchestral playing. It was former Principal Bassist Robert Rohe, who passed away in 2013, that took a chance on him. Nicholson says, “I immediately liked and respected Bob, for his long experience and for his kindly manner. He’d regale us with tales such as rowing across from his island home to the mainland in stormy winter weather, bass tucked on board, to concert engagements. I played my very best, knowing he’d subtly support me in my part. It was hard for us to see him retire,

and I wanted to do something to preserve his memory in some way, as he had helped the orchestra in his.” Bob and his wife Gloria utilized the IRA charitable rollover, also known as the qualified charitable distribution, to create an endowed fund supporting the principal bass chair in honor of Robert Rohe. As Bob says, “Long may it, and the BSO, prosper!”



ENSURING THE FUTURE OF A COMMUNITY INSTITUTION



Tom and Hope Gower were long admirers of the Bangor Symphony Orchestra. After Tom joined the Board of Directors, their appreciation only grew. As a senior vice president of wealth management at UBS Argosy Wealth Management, Tom appreciated the importance of an endowment campaign for sustaining the organization into the future. He and Hope were early lead donors to the 125th Anniversary Endowment Campaign, and have this to say about their support:



We arrived in Maine 20 years ago with a plan to relocate within two years. Before long, we fell in love with the Bangor area and the BSO. We feel very fortunate to have the Symphony – not only for the music, but for its service as a model of beauty, grace, and excellence to our community.”



HONORING A CHAMPION OF BANGOR



In her lifetime, Hilda Hutchins McCollum was a dedicated champion of the arts and education in Bangor. The Bangor Symphony Orchestra was a lucky beneficiary of Hilda's generosity and volunteerism, as well as her knowledge and friendship. As part of the 125th Anniversary Endowment Campaign, the Mimi Foundation and Dead River Company decided to honor Hilda's dedication to the BSO with a \$100,000 gift in her name, ensuring a legacy that will last the next 125 years.

QUALITY OF LIFE MATTERS

Annie and Bob Cutler are committed to Bangor in more ways than one. Their downtown Bangor restaurant Novio's Bistro is a beacon in the community, and both share deep ties to the University of Maine. Now that they're raising a young family, ensuring the quality of life in our community has taken on new importance, and the unique opportunities afforded by the Bangor Symphony Orchestra stand out.



The BSO is such a valuable asset to our community. The variety of programming allows our young family access to quality arts education and entertainment. We invest in the endowment because it's the best way to ensure the stability of the BSO for years to come."

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS



CAMPAIGN FOUNDERS (\$50,000+)

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Dr. Maurice P. King & Constance K. Barnes	Bob & Gloria Nicholson, in Honor of Robert Rohe
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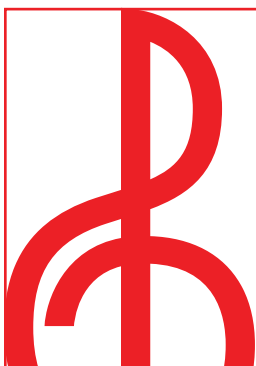
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