



**CINCINNATI
CHAMBER
ORCHESTRA**

ECKART PREU,
MUSIC DIRECTOR

LEGACY SOCIETY





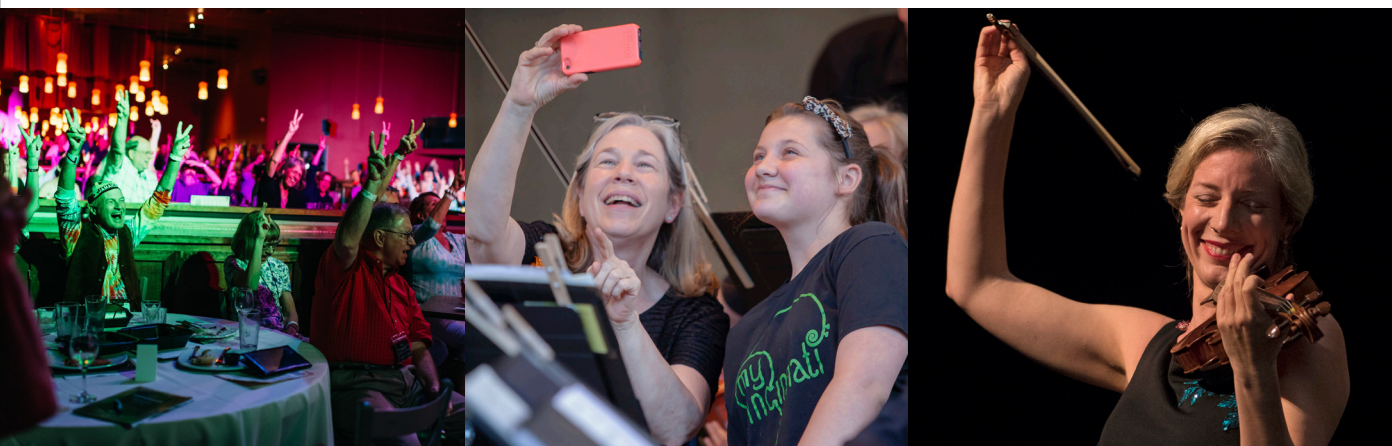
BUILDING ON A 50 YEAR LEGACY OF CLASSICAL MUSIC

As the Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra approaches its 50th year of bringing superb chamber music to the Greater Cincinnati community, we celebrate the past as we focus on the future. Anchored by its deep roots as a professional orchestra playing a year-long season, the CCO launched our unique Summermusik Festival in 2015. Summermusik, described by Cincinnati Enquirer as “one of the most creative and innovative classical music experiences in the region,” has made its mark and established an enduring position among the high-quality classical music offerings that make Cincinnati extraordinary for a city of its size.

Over the five decades that the CCO has been engaging and enriching audiences, the CCO baton has been passed among a small cadre of world-class music directors, including founder Paul Nadler, Boston Pops conductor Keith Lockhart, and current music director Eckart Preu, whose musical talent and engaging personality has elevated Summermusik and the Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra to new heights.

CCO MISSION STATEMENT

We create intimate, transformative experiences that connect the musically curious.



AUDIENCE RAVES

"It is a chance to see, in an up close and personal way, the way an orchestra and conductor bring a piece of music to life."

"It was a fascinating foray into the music world, as well as a wonderfully 'intimate' atmosphere."

"One of the best performance weekends ever."

"I have been wowed by CCO this summer. It was heaven. Can't wait for next summer!"

HERE ARE SOME WAYS WE DO THINGS DIFFERENTLY AT THE CINCINNATI CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

The Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra fills the Queen City with excitement not only in August, but through unique programs throughout the year! Our eclectic musical repertoire ranges from the Baroque to The Beatles and our productions delight people of all ages with spectacular collaborations.



INTIMATE PROGRAMS

Whether our full 32-member orchestra or a 5-piece wind ensemble takes the stage, we bring our audience closer to the music and the musicians, connecting concertgoers to the art in a special way. When patrons want to mix and mingle with our musicians and world-renowned guest artists, there's no intimidating "green room" to navigate: just enjoy a drink in the lobby after the show, and they will come to you!



TRANSFORMATIVE EXPERIENCES

Our unique collaborations bring together artists from diverse genres and artforms, both traditional and unexpected, for a season full of inspiration and innovation. Our size makes us the perfect partner, one who can be flexible and nimble. We take the orchestra out of the concert hall to unexpected venues of all sizes, personalities and locations throughout our community. One week the acoustics and beauty of a neighborhood church may provide a tranquil setting, and the next week may find us in a popular nightclub with a lively crowd enjoying a craft beer along with the music. The CCO presents a musical experience you simply won't find anywhere else!



CURIOSITY AT EVERY TURN

The CCO welcomes all musically curious individuals to our events, including the seasoned listener hoping to enjoy a less familiar piece by one of the classical giants of yesterday or looking for adventure by experiencing a world-premiere commission. But we particularly enjoy making chamber music accessible to people who may not feel as comfortable in the hallowed halls of classical music. Going beyond program notes, The CCO's concerts aim to make the music approachable, enjoyable and informative for everyone along the spectrum from the newcomer to the experienced listener.

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The Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra is proud of the creative programming of Maestro Eckart Preu.

A native of Erfurt, Germany, Maestro Preu trained at the prestigious Hochschule für Musik in Weimar before continuing his studies in Paris and the United States. Eckart brings an innovative programming style to the CCO.



*"[A] fiery conductor
[with a] kinetic style."*

THE NEW YORK TIMES

"Eckart Preu is one of the most impressive talents in the group of younger conductors working today in America. He is deeply musical, he cares about orchestras, and he conducts with elegance, style, and intensity."

HENRY FOGEL
former President of the League of American Orchestras

"[Summermusik] has been a crescendo of inventive programs and fine performances. Audiences have increased each week. And just when you thought the orchestra couldn't play much better, Preu elevated the performance level to new heights."

THE CINCINNATI ENQUIRER

Help assure the CCO has a bright and exciting future of innovative arts programming!

JOIN THE CCO LEGACY SOCIETY

As we look ahead to the next 50 years, your gift to the Legacy Society helps assure the CCO a bright and exciting future of innovative arts programming and affirms your legacy as a supporter of Cincinnati's vibrant musical arts community. As a seasonal orchestra, most of our musicians have multiple roles that form the fabric of the musical arts, such as working as music teachers and volunteering at schools, churches and other nonprofit organizations. Your gift will ripple through the community in unexpected ways.

By establishing a gift through estate planning, you can direct your donation to the permanent endowment, endowing our music director, musician chairs, guest artists or special activities or programs, tailored to your specific interests. Naming opportunities are available at various levels of giving. Members of the CCO's Legacy Society are recognized and thanked with invitations to special events, closed rehearsals and receptions with our guest artists and conductors. Additionally, legacy donors are recognized in concert programs and on our Legacy Society webpage.

The Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra's Legacy Society offers many long-range charitable giving options. Here are some ideas to discuss with your tax and estate planning advisors:

- A **bequest** in a will or trust is a simple and effective way to make a legacy gift.
- An **IRA or other retirement plan** beneficiary designation removes assets from your taxable estate.
- A **donor-advised fund** lets you take tax deductions for your gift today, keeping the actual cash in a special fund to grow tax-free while you make gifts to the charitable beneficiaries you select. You can make gifts to the CCO from a DAF during your lifetime or designate the CCO to receive all or part of the funds remaining in the DAF at the end of your life.
- A **gift of appreciated property**, including stocks, bonds, real estate and personal property lets you take a deduction for the full fair-market value of your gift while avoiding capital gain and net investment income taxes on that appreciation.
- An **insurance policy** passes directly to the CCO without triggering any income or estate taxes.
- A **qualified charitable distribution** during your lifetime from your IRA lets donors over age 70.5 satisfy required minimum distribution rules without including those withdrawals in adjusted gross income.
- Other vehicles such as a **charitable gift annuity, a charitable lead trust, charitable remainder trust and a pooled income fund** provide other tax and planning advantages that may be suitable for donors who are interested in a stream of income during their lifetimes.



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HELP US MAKE OUR FUTURE SHINE EVEN BRIGHTER!

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