



KEYNOTES

February 2018

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear CSOL® Members and Friends,

The Gala is now but a fond memory – it’s time to move on to our upcoming events. Before moving on, however, I want to congratulate and thank Jane Miller, Chair of our Tonight, Tonight Gala, and all who assisted in this worthy event. There were close to 300 attending the festivities of the evening, including CSO Board members, musicians and staff, and CSOL® members and friends. I certainly enjoyed the evening and trust that everyone else did. The concert was wonderful, thanks to Ken, Yuriy and the musicians. How can you not enjoy the music of Gershwin and Bernstein? It was a musical hour to remember.

The caterer provided delicious food from the neighborhoods of NYC and the beverages flowed all evening. The Silent Auction provided a plethora of desirable items and Tom Crawford, our auctioneer, provided a lively atmosphere before and during the Live Auction. Thanks to all who donated and purchased items from both the Silent and Live Auctions.

I’m sure cheers (and a few sighs of relief) were heard all over the Lowcountry when we signed a contract for the 2018 Designer Showhouse, located at 142 Tradd Street. The Bare Boards Party held on January 28th gave us a taste of what is to come for this great house. The Preview Party will be March 13th with official opening on March 14. Meanwhile, the DSH Committee is busily working while the decorators are making the house a sight to behold. It’s not too early to sign up for your work schedule (go to csolinc.org and then click on Sign Up Genius), purchase your Preview Party tickets and/or tickets to view 142 Tradd in all of its newly burnished glory!

New year, new process: Starting in 2018, we are sending invitations for membership to potential new members. Please notify Lyn Magee, VP of Membership, lynmagic@gmail.com if you have a likely candidate who might be interested in joining our ranks.

In addition to the Designer Showhouse, upcoming and ongoing projects that could use your support are the Car Sponsorship, Pursuit of the Podium, Sippin’ Sangria on

the Stono (Paella Party) with entertainment by Tony Marti, CSO first trumpet and Chef extraordinaire, and his father (who is coming all the way from Spain). All of these events are explained further within the pages of this Keynotes.

So, please hop aboard the train and support all of our Spring Events. The CSO needs you!



Kitty Reid

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Kitty Reid, President CSOL®



SYMPHONY DESIGNER SHOWHOUSE

142 Tradd Street

March 14 – April 15, 2018

Monday – Saturday: 10 am – 4 pm, Sunday: 1 – 4 pm, (Closed Easter Sunday)

Boutique Open Daily

Lunch in the Café Monday – Saturday 11:30 am – 2 pm

Tickets: \$25 at the door

\$20 online through March 13

SUPPORT THE DESIGNER SHOWHOUSE

Each year, the Designer Showhouse is the CSOL®'s biggest fundraiser; our success is predicated on the support of all CSOL® members – not to mention a few friends. Start by purchasing a ticket to the Preview Party on March 13 and then buying tickets to see the house (go to <https://csolinc.org/designer-showhouse/>). CSOL® members will be sent 5 tickets to sell – please do your part to help promote this important event.

We also need lots of people to volunteer to work at the house: selling tickets and car raffle sponsorships, working in the boutique and café, serving as docent in the house. Go to <https://csolinc.org/sign-up-genius/> and turn your intention to help into action.

Gail Maginnis, Past President, asked, “Did you know that if you are reading this you are a gem, a prize, a sought after treasure? Our CSOL® members are in great demand not only by the chairs of CSOL® projects and fundraising events, but by other organizations as well. They know how hard you, our members, work for the Symphony and they want you to help their organization. Please put the CSOL® Designer Showhouse, Café, Boutique and car sponsorship sales at the top of your list when others call.”



Revels Scores Another Hit: Classes with Ken

At the January 13 *Revel's Classes with Ken* (aka Music Appreciation), Ken Lam presented a lecture on Leonard Bernstein's Second Symphony, the *Age of Anxiety* inspired by W. H. Auden's poem. The spirited presentation included Ken playing the piano, showing photos and the musical score in a Power Point presentation, and playing excerpts from the music to illustrate points. Everyone came away with greater knowledge of Bernstein's music. We are very grateful to **Bishop Gadsden** who quickly responded to our need of a new venue.

ROUND OF APPLAUSE: Volunteer Recognition

Volunteers are a special breed – not everyone wants to donate their time, for even a great cause. Round of Applause is acknowledgement by President Kitty Reid to honor CSOL® volunteers.

Pick of the month is Jane Miller, Chair of our *TONIGHT, TONIGHT* Gala.

This is the third year that Jane has served in a leadership capacity for the CSOL® gala. For the past year, she diligently planned and produced a memorable evening. This wasn't always an easy, enjoyable task.

Jane, however, persevered month after month, then week by week and finally day by day. When people were stressed, Jane reassured them. When frustrations mounted, Jane listened to understand. As problems surfaced, Jane just became more creative in devising solutions.

The result was not only a wonderful evening that produced funds for the Symphony – Jane helped cement relationships among the committee members who worked – hard -- along side her. She's a key contributor to the CSOL® community. Let's all extend kudos to Jane and the Gala committee.



CSOL® 2017-2018 Board

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Tonight, Tonight Gala	Jane Miller
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	Patti Tully
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Pursuit of the Podium	Susan Leggett
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SOVA Liaison	Jane Miller

COFFEE WITH THE MAESTRO

At the Coffee with the Maestro on January 12, Ken Lam introduced soloist Ivan Moshchuk to League members, and shared his thinking for developing the CSO Concerto Evening -- why he intermixed a work by 20th Century composer Alfred Schnittke with works of Bach and Vivaldi. The compare and contrast of the Baroque era to the 20th Century and the relationship of the works and the composers fascinated attendees.

Ivan then shared his perspective on the Schnittke work; how it expressed life post-World War II. Ivan also shared his current endeavor -- to bring music to all people and areas of Detroit through interdisciplinary programs throughout the city -- taking the programs to where the people are.

Consider this: Coffees with the Maestro are for everyone, an undiscovered treasure for many. Socialize with your League friends, enjoy delicious treats and Starbucks coffee, be entertained and informed by Ken Lam and musicians *and* fulfill your membership requirement of attending a general meeting.



Ken Lam

USHERS NEEDED FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT ON MARCH 9

CSOL[®] members are needed to usher for two Young People's concerts, to be performed at Charleston Southern University in North Charleston on March 9. **20 ushers are needed for each concert.** Ushers need to arrive at 8:45 am for the first concert and 10:30 am for the second concert. (Or, be an angel and usher for both!) You'll be providing a wonderful and memorable musical experience for 1,200 young students. (Bet you'll enjoy the concert too).

Please contact Donna Reyburn to volunteer: email donnadives@bellsouth.net or text or call 843-801-2640.



BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW FOR SIPPIN' SANGRIA ON THE STONE -- PAELLA PARTY

When: April 29, 5:00 – 8:00 pm

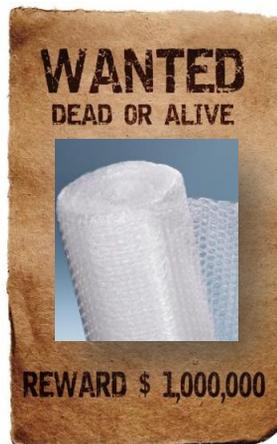
Where: The Island House, John's Island 2658 Swygert Blvd., Johns Island (off River Rd., between Main Rd. and Maybank Hwy.)

Why: To Benefit the David and Karen Stahl Memorial Scholarship Fund

What: Paella, sangria and other Spanish treats prepared by Chef and CSO Trumpeter Tony Marti with entertainment provided by Tony and his father, Lucio Marti, on piano

How: Buy your tickets online or obtain information about mailing your payment by check at <https://csolinc.org/paellaparty/>

- \$65 per person
- \$100 Solo Sponsorship (includes 1 ticket)
- \$200 Duet Sponsorship (includes 2 tickets)



Please save your **bubble wrap** for use in the Designer Showhouse Boutique. It would be a great help if it were rolled and secured with a rubber band. We don't need the air-filled packaging or peanuts. Please bring the bubble wrap to the house at 142 Tradd the week of March 12th. Thanks for helping us save \$\$\$\$.
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Thank You Note from Jane Miller, Chair *Tonight*,

Nearly 300 partyers attended our annual Gala on January 18, benefiting the Charleston Symphony Orchestra. Our New York City theme reverberated throughout the evening. It began at the *Bernstein/Gershwin Take New York* concert conducted by Ken and Yuriy with amazing selections from *Candide*, *West Side Story* and *Rhapsody in Blue*. The energy progressed into the Gaillard Ballroom with purple light creating NYC skylines on the walls and soft jazz played by two extraordinary musicians, Chris Reardon, saxophone, and Frank Puzzullo, jazz pianist. There were bustling people shopping at the Silent Auction or buying sponsorships for the Audi Q5 and mingling with friends, eating and drinking in our neighborhoods -- distinctively decorated to represent Chinatown, Little Italy, Mazel St., and SoHo. The festive mood was also captured in the stylish evening clothes of attendees, many of whom posed at our NYC photo booths. (Be sure to see those pictures on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/csolinc/>) Most importantly, we raised a lot of money for the Symphony; that was our number one objective. The CSO and CSOL® staff and many volunteers worked together beautifully and hard for months, but the outcome was a success! Thank you for being part of it.



To see MANY more Gala pictures, go to Facebook or Instagram at [csolinc](https://www.facebook.com/csolinc/)

FOLLOWING A STAHL SCHOLAR

Ann Birdseye of the CSOL® Education Committee received an update from Elliott Cihlar, a recipient of the David and Karen Stahl Scholarship. Elliott shares what he has been doing:

I am now a sophomore at Furman University, majoring in Violin performance. Over the course of the last two years, my favorite classes have been written and aural music theory. Analyzing and learning the fundamental aspects of how music is harmonically constructed is like learning the grammar behind a language that you have spoken for many years. It's truly fascinating!



Elliott Cihlar

Along with the Furman Symphony Orchestra, I am also a violinist in Furman's Hartness String Quartet. I was the Concertmaster for the Furman Symphony Orchestra and Oratorio Chorus' presentation of Handel's "Messiah" in December.

My private studies with Dr. Thomas Joiner are going exceptionally well. I am currently learning Bach's "Chaconne for Solo Violin."

I am excited to share that I was selected to study abroad in Arrezzo, Italy this fall semester with 13 other Furman music students. I will be taking Beginning Italian, Music History II, Basic Conducting, Italian Arts and Culture, Chamber Music Coaching, and private violin lessons with an Italian faculty member. We will have many opportunities to perform in Italy from the Accademia dell'Arte, a 16th-century former bishop's palace where we will be staying in Arezzo, to other venues like theaters and churches in Arezzo and Florence.

I would like to thank you again for your generous support of my music studies over the years.

Thank you to February *Keynotes* contributors: Ann Birdseye, Ledlie Bell, Sue Ingram, Virginia Jones, Olivia Long, Gail Maginnis, Jane Miller, Kathy Pease, Donna Reyburn, Karen Ruef, David Savard, Julie Fenimore, Kitty Reid

DESIGNER SHOWHOUSE BARE BOARDS PARTY

Neither rain nor hail nor sleet ... keeps a Bare Boards party from being a rousing success (in this instance, rain). Attendees gathered to see what 142 Tradd Street looked like Before (that is, before the 12 talented designers work their magic). And, although it will look very different after the house is decorated, drinking wine and eating pork sliders, miniature baked potatoes, tiny shrimp sandwiches made any design deficits seem inconsequential.

Attend the March 13 Preview Party to be among the first to see what After looks like. Go to <https://csolinc.org/designer-showhouse/> to purchase your tickets.



DSH Co-Chairs Claudia Porter and Patti Tully



The First Floor Powder Room



The Dining Room

YOU'RE LOOKIN' LUCKY ...

Support the CSOL® and have a chance to win an Audi Q5 — Audi's #1 selling car. Sponsorships are \$100 each, and only 1,200 will be offered. The name of the lucky winner will be drawn at a special CSO Brass concert in Marion Square on May 19, 2018. You don't need to be present to win. Proceeds benefit the Charleston Symphony Orchestra and CSOL® Music Scholarships. Go online, <https://csolinc.org/2018-car-sponsorship/> to purchase your sponsorship.

Features: Panoramic sun roof, navigation and telematics package, heated front seats, all-wheel drive.



SAVE THE DATES: CSOL® CALENDAR 2018

Date	Event	Location	Time
2/1/18	Feed Hungry Musicians	CCL Calhoun Street	12:00 pm
2/2/18	Coffee with the Maestro	CCL Calhoun Street	10:00 am
2/10/18	Petting Zoo; CSO Percussion	CCL John's Island Maybank Hwy	12:45 - 2:30 pm
2/16/18	Revels: Transformed Trolley Barn	American College of the Building Arts	6:00 pm
2/24/18	Petting Zoo; CSO Woodwind Quintet	Aquarium	9:15 am - 12:30 pm
2/28/18	Feed Hungry Musicians	TBD	12:00 pm
3/11/18	Charleston Symphony Youth Orchestra Concert	Charleston Southern University's Lightsey Chapel	3:30 pm
3/13/18	Designer Showhouse Preview Party	142 Tradd Street	6:00 – 9:00 pm
3/14 – 4/15/18	Designer Showhouse, Café and Boutique Open	142 Tradd Street	See website for times
3/18/18	Revels: Gospel Brunch	Charleston Yacht Club	11:30 am
3/30/18	Coffee with the Maestro	CCL Calhoun Street	10:00 am
3/30/18	Feed Hungry Musicians	CCL Calhoun Street	12:00 pm
4/29/18	Sippin' Sangria on the Stono Paella Party	The Island House, John's Island	TBD
5/5/18	Revels: Betting Encouraged – Kentucky Derby	TBD	5:30 pm
5/6/18	CSOL® Scholarship Recital	Bishop Gadsden Chapel	3:00 pm
5/16/18	Annual CSOL® Spring Luncheon	Country Club of Charleston	11:30 am
5/17/18	Revels: A Brothel? A BROTHEL!	Mt Pleasant	5:00 pm
5/19/18	Car Sponsorship Drawing	Marion Square	12:00 pm