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your generosity towards Mohigans Helping Mohigans.  
We hope you enjoy the show!

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Students from the National Honor Society  
Morgantown High School Choir.  
MPA Chamber  
"Santa's Little Helper"

Big Shout out to our stellar instructors for making this Fall  
a successful semester:

Dr. Eve Flint, Ms. Caitlin Chisholm, Dr. Virginia Cox,  
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Mr. Kyler Tuck

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our 2022 Christmas Concert.

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PRESENTS

# Christmas

CHARITY CONCERT  
ONE NIGHT, ONE CAUSE  
for the Mohigans Helping Mohigans Program

21 DECEMBER 2022

Session TWO- 6:30-8:30pm

SUNCREST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
479 Van Voorhis Rd, Morgantown, WV 26505

FEATURING

Morgantown High School Choir

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# PROGRAM

Session TWO-6:30 pm



**Founder and Director:**  
Dr. Juliana Yap

**Master of Ceremonies:**  
Dr. Tom Devine

**Opening:**  
MHS Foundation Board Member

## PROGRAM

**Athena Huang**  
Ten Little Indians  
Jingle Bells  
(Special Guest: Eric Huang, violin)

**Wyatt Lin**  
Cabaret

**Walker Lin**  
Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah

**Wyatt & Walker Lin**  
Rock Around the Clock

**Estelle Roderick**  
Jingle Bells Rock

**Elizabeth Nguyen**  
Part of Your World

**Evelyn Nguyen**  
Getting to Know You

**Ray Chen**  
Skater's Waltz

**Elizabeth & Evelyn Nguyen**  
Jingle Bell Boogie

**Anna Gerdes**  
Amazing Grace  
Sleigh Ride Holiday

**Evan Wu**  
Ninette's Musette-G. Nevada  
*Solfeggietto*-C.P.E. Bach

**Anna Gerdes, Voice**  
I Know Things Now

**Claire Chen**  
Feliz Navidad

**Sebastian Roderick**  
Have Yourself a Merry Little  
Christmas

**Simon Scanlon**  
*Phantasietanz*-R. Schumann

**Owen Lorimer**  
Sweet Dreams- Tchaikovsky  
(from "Album for the Young")

**Eleanor Elbakidze**  
Sonata K. 545 in C Major- W.A. Mozart

**Tina Chen & Rachel Kovac**  
(Special Guest: Rachel Kovac, Flute)  
I Hear What You Say

**Anna Chen**  
**Josiah Higgins, Drum**  
Autumn Leaves



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**Pratham Subramanyam**  
Sunday Morning- Maroon 5

**Elizabeth Bolling**  
Million Dreams

**Lily Dolin**  
It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

**Isabella Badhwar**  
Hilltop Road

**Matthew Bolling**  
The Piano Man

**Julia Austria**  
*Milonga del Angel*- A. Piazzolla

**Katherine Wang**  
Moonlight Mood/Valse Etude- W. Gillock

**Emily Nguyen**  
The Cat and the Mouse- A. Copland

**Callum Lorimer**  
Sonata Op. 10 No. 2- L.V. Beethoven

**Layla Virji**  
Etude Op. 10 No. 3- F. Chopin

**Angela Wu**  
Moonlight Sonata- L.V. Beethoven  
III. Prestissimo

**Santa's Little Helper**  
Winter Wonderland/Frosty the Snow Man



**Morgantown High School Choir**  
X  
**MPA Chamber**  
Christmas Canon  
All is Well  
Carol of the Bells

**FIRST VIOLIN**  
**Mr. Devin Lai**, concertmaster  
**Lauren Gilchrist**  
**Elliot Chang**

**SECOND VIOLIN**  
**William Chang**  
**Drew Macky**  
**Isaac Chorpeneing**  
**Austin Luo**  
**Marco Walter**

**VIOLA**  
**Fahmi Christiadi**  
**Peter Luo**

**CELLO**  
**Simone Geogorian**  
**Avery Knutsen**  
**Irina Stanescu**

**DOUBLE BASS**  
**Julia Austria**

**DRUM**  
**Josiah Higgins**

**PIANO**  
**Angela Wu** -Christmas Canon  
**Callum Lorimer** -All is Well  
**Layla Virji** - Carol of the Bells

Closing

Performers Group Pictures

# STUDENTS' MUSICAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Simon Scanlon

Runner Up, Junior Category, 2022 WVMTA Mountain State Piano Competition

Keely Taylor

Third Place, Junior Category, 2022 WVMTA Mountain State Piano Competition

Callum Lorimer

Honorable mention, Senior High School Category, 2022 WVMTA Mountain State Piano Competition

Participated in the Marcia International Piano Competition at Penn State University.

He also plays the trombone in the Morgantown High School Jazz band.

Isabel Sener

joined the St. John the Evangelist Middle School musicians in April 2022 and plays the violin with the group at weekly mass.

Owen Lorimer

Performed in the Mountain State Piano Competition. He will be playing Grandpa Joe in Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory with Morgantown Theater Company in January and sings in the South Middle School Choir.

Emily Nguyen

Participated in MTNA competition 2022 (Spring and Fall); auditioned and was chosen to sing the Star Spangled Banner at the Girl Scouts of Black Diamond Annual Delegate Conference; 2022 WV ACDA All State choir soprano; 2022 ACDA Southern Region choir soprano; cantors @ St Francis de Sales Catholic Church; rings bells @ St Francis de Sales Catholic Church; UHS Marching Band; UHS Chamber Choir

Elizabeth & Evelyn Nguyen sings and rings bells @ St Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Danny Flanagan

He played in the Mountain state competition in November  
He is in Willy Wonka Jr (production will be in January)

CONGRATULATIONS to

Ms. Caitlin Chisholm, voice instructor

1st place in the Advanced Classical Women category of this year's Tri-State NATS conference competition. She also graduated on Saturday, December 17th with her master's degree in Voice Performance. She is looking forward to being able to dedicate more time and energy to her musical pursuits.

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CONNECT AND PROMOTE TOGETHERNESS WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN A WELCOMING COMMUNITY. DISCOVER MUSIC YOU LOVE AND MAKE IT PART OF YOUR LIFE EXPERIENCE. EXPLORE AND EXPAND YOUR MUSICAL HORIZONS, THERE IS ALWAYS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE NO MATTER WHAT AGE OR SKILL YOU HAVE.

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FALL 2022

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