

YOURCLASSICAL

Sharing the power of classical music

YourClassical is leading the way in connecting audiences to the enriching and soul-nourishing power of classical music.

Representation and diversity in music matters. This year, YourClassical placed an even greater emphasis on commissioning new recordings of music from diverse artists – adding 1,900 pieces in our music library from BIPOC and/or female/non-binary artist since March 2022.

Additionally, YourClassical launched <u>Rhapsody</u> in <u>Black</u>, a five-minute weekly program that explores classical music that is aesthetically and uncompromisingly Black.

YourClassical is passionate about supporting young artists and making classical music accessible and relevant for the next generation.

The <u>Performance Today</u> classical musical program, hosted by Fred Child, shined the light on young soloists from American conservatories with its <u>Young Artists in Residence program</u>. The program highlighted four artists through broadcast interviews and performances as well as a virtual event series.

Class Notes concerts returned to the classroom with in-person school visits and live virtual concerts with standards-based curriculum free to schools. During the 2021-2022 school year, the program visited 100 schools in 30 counties, reaching almost 25,000 K-12 students across Minnesota. Class Notes helps cultivate active listening skills and allows students to experience the joy of music.



Rhapsody in Black podcast. (APM)



Harpist Ari Schwartz was featured in the Performance Today Young Artist in Residence program. (Dylan Kinneavy)



Mikaela Marget and Nyttu Chongo make up Heliopsis, a Class Notes Artist ensemble. (Ellen Schmidt/Honeydew Mellen Photography)