

LYRICA BAROQUE

Happy New year! We are so excited to embark on 2020 with our fantastic new Board and Advisory Board members. We have exciting chamber music and projects in the works and I am so excited for the year ahead!

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fundraising and Earned Revenue Committee

Accounting Update

An accountant from Postlethwaite & Netterville has offered to donate her time to help us get more organized, file our 2019 taxes and send out all 1099s for 2019.

2020 Goals: Corporate Sponsorships, Individual Donations, House Concert

The 2020 Budget outlines ambitious goals including raising money through corporate sponsorships which we have never done before and a goal to sell one house concert. We will discuss a plan of action for networking, marketing and promotion to meet these goals at our upcoming board meeting.

Lyrical Affair Gala Update

Our 2020 gala is scheduled for **March 6, 2020**. A save-the-date will be emailed on January 21. Our gala committee - Ruth Owens, Robyn Schwarz, Brad Gottsegen, Toni Bachmann and Melanie Fawer - is hard at work planning music, food, drinks and the schedule for the evening.

Additional Fundraiser Update

Michael Harold on our Advisory Board is leading the organization of an event to raise money for our Power of Language program. The event will be Sept. 12, 2020 and will feature a concert of him and Quinn Peeper performing piano concertos as well as performances of the musical arrangements for our Power of Language program. There will be a dinner afterwards for patrons who pay a higher ticket price. More details about this event coming soon.

Performance Production Committee

Winterreise Recap

Winterreise was a huge success. The audience was full and we received a tremendous amount of positive feedback.

Summer Fête Update

Summer Fête is scheduled for May 17, 2020 and will be at UNO's Performing Arts Center. We have world class artists joining us for this very special program featuring Beethoven's Piano Wind Quintet (continuing the celebration of Beethoven's 250th birthday) and Brahms' Horn Trio.

Overall Series

We continue working with the Fundraising Committee to see about the possibility of adding a third concert to our season.

Organizational Development Committee

Strategic Planning Session(s) Discussion & Scheduling

We would like to have a Strategic Planning Session(s) in 2020 to review and revise the mission statement, create a vision statement and outline a one-year and three-plan. Discussions are underway about finding a facilitator to help us.

Goals for 2020

Goals for 2020 include Bylaws Revisions, continuing to discuss the make-up of the board and plan for recruitment, and the creation of Board Member Recruitment Packets.

COMMUNITY

We just completed a mini residency at Morris Jeff Community School with our Power of Language program. This residency was funded by Tulane University's School of Social Work through a grant obtained for us by our Advisory Board member Dr. Maurya Glaude. It was an inspiring week working with Morris Jeff 2nd graders.

With gratitude,

Jaren and Susan