



The Rotary Club of Macon

 **THROBS**

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March 11, 2024
Mercer Strings Ensemble

Our next two meetings will be feasts for the ears! Please attend in person if possible, since Zoom can't convey the full experience. The March 11 program is as follows:

ROBERT McDUFFIE
CENTER FOR STRINGS
TOWNSEND SCHOOL OF MUSIC
MERCER UNIVERSITY
AMY SCHWARTZ MORETTI, Director

PRESENTS

Musical March Madness: Chamber Music and Teamwork

Featuring Faculty and Young Artists from the McDuffie Center for Strings

- ❖ Annie Fullard, *violin*, Cavani String Quartet, Distinguished Artist, Charles and Mary Jean Yates Chair of Chamber Music
- ❖ Elizabeth Aoki, *violin* (sophomore, Macon, GA)
- ❖ Issac Lopez, *viola* (sophomore, Jacksonville, FL)
- ❖ Brelan Jenkins, *cello* (junior, Newport News, VA)

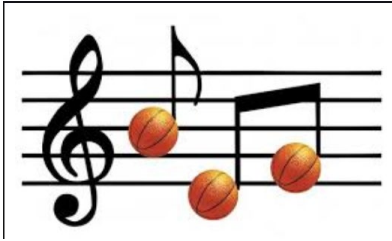
PROGRAM

W.A. Mozart String Quartet Eine Kline Nachtmuzik K.525 I. *Allegro*
(1756-1791)

W.A. Mozart String Quartet No 15 in D Minor, K421 III. *Minuetto. Allegro*

M. Ravel String Quartet in F I. *Allegro moderato. II. Assez vif, très rythmé*
(1875-1937)

Surprise encore



About the McDuffie Center: <https://mcduffie.mercer.edu/about>
About Chamber Music Program at The McDuffie Center
Faculty Coaches: Annie Fullard, violin, and Lawrence Dutton, viola

Chamber music is a vital part of the McDuffie Center’s mission to promote the highest level of artistry and independent learning. At the Center, chamber music playing is explored as catalyst for human connection and teamwork and promotes collaborative skills essential for a career in the arts and beyond.

No Zoom Link: There was no meeting March 4.

FUTURE MONDAY PROGRAMS AND CLUB EVENTS:

March, 2024

- 18 Middle Georgia Flute Choir
- 19 Board meeting, 6:00pm at Fountain of Juice
- 25 Macon Chose ME DSTO Moore, photographer

April, 2024

- 1 No meeting
- 8 Speaker TBA
- 27 Rebuilding Macon service project



For several years, one of our club’s service projects has been a workday with Rebuilding Macon. Rebuilding Macon, in partnership with the community, repairs the homes of low-income homeowners, particularly the elderly and disabled, so that they may continue to live in warmth, safety, and independence. This is a perfect example of the Rotary motto “Service Above Self.”

This year, we will be working Saturday, April 27. Two shifts are available – 8:00am to 11:30am and 11:30am-3:00pm. End times are approximate, and you can sign up to work either or both shifts. You are also welcome to drop by the job site any time, since even 30 minutes can make a difference (location will be announced in early April). Josh Rogers said:

“While the majority of the work will be scraping and painting, we always need help on the ground. We're always short on help to monitor safety, keep everyone hydrated, make runs to the hardware

store, and generally encourage everyone. The bottom line is we could use help from every skill level and physical ability!”

To sign up, click [this link](#). You will need to log in to DACdb to complete your registration. (You do know how to log in to DACdb, right? If not, contact Steve Allen at steve@maconrotary.com) Thanks to Kathy McCollum, our Service Chair, for organizing the event. For questions, contact her at kmccollum@mgcfb.org.



March 1 was our club’s 110th birthday. Here’s another look at the birthday cake that was available at the February 26 meeting, compliments of our Sergeant at Arms Kris Vaughn.

Rotary Friendship Exchange

Rotary District 6920 is part of a Rotary Friendship Exchange with District 4895 in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The exchange for our district members took place last fall when five Rotarians spent two weeks in a cultural immersion in Buenos Aires. Rotarians accepted District 6920 members into their homes and clubs, and lifelong friendships were made.

In exchange, District 6920 is accepting six Rotarians from District 4895 April 19-28. Rotarian Dana Park from the Wednesday Club is looking for Rotarians to house and transport our guests from Buenos Aires.

If you are interested, President Stephanie Folsom asks you to either reach out to her or contact Dana Park. Dana’s email is dana@theparkgroup.net.



Rotary District 6920’s District Conference will be held at the Jekyll Island Convention Center April 26-28. Early registration and hotel discount deadline is March 22, 2024. Complete information can be found at <https://www.rotarydistrict6920.org/dc-2024/>



Do you have a recent accomplishment? Have you or your organization won an award or otherwise been recognized? We want to know, and to recognize your achievement at a meeting. Please email Gary Wheat, our Vocational Service Chair, at gwheat@visitmacon.org

Donate to Rotary Foundation and CART

Club members can make donations to The Rotary Foundation or the CART Fund online line using credit cards or EFT. These can be made in memory of, honor of, or personal donations. They can be setup as recurring or one-time. Follow these easy steps:

The Rotary Foundation: Go to <https://rotary.org/>. If you have never signed in you will need to register so it credits your Paul Harris Fellow account and our club. You may need our District number 6920 and club number 4202. Once registered you can SIGN IN to MY ROTARY then click DONATE button in upper right. Check the area ANNUAL FUND, DISASTER RELIEF FUND, or POLIO PLUS to donate, then just follow easy steps to make payment.

CART FUND: <https://mycartfund.org/Login.cfm> follow the online instructions. You will need our **Club number 4202** and **District number 6920**.

Approved Makeups-Family of Rotary Events:

Reminder - Makeups can only be used two weeks before or after a missed meeting

Anytime Rotary Project or Rotary Committee meeting
Anytime Volunteer at Macon Volunteer Clinic
Viewing of Monday meeting recorded on Zoom - See current or past *Throbs* link

HOW TO MAKE UP MISSED MEETINGS

Please make up missed meetings to help our club's attendance percentage rank with District 6920 and Rotary International. Our attendance is reported each month to the district and is required to be reported before the 15th of the following month. **Members are encouraged to maintain an attendance average of 60%.**

Missed meetings must be made up **14 days before or after the meeting you miss.**

See list above of approved makeups. You can make up from the comfort of your home or office online at <http://rotaryclubone.org/> They will email a notice of the makeup to the Club Administrator and you will be credited. Also, attendance at another Rotary Club is a great option when you are traveling!

When you make up using the **Zoom link** of our meetings listed in meeting summary above or makeup in person at another club please send an email immediately afterwards to the Club Administrator, steve@eggmedia.com so your makeup can be recorded. Do not expect the club you visit to report to our club.

Excused Absences

Members have the opportunity to receive a board approved Excused Absence during a long-term family, health, or business crisis. When a member realizes they have a situation that will keep them from attending Monday meetings for an extended period they can contact the Club Administrator or President with the reason. This contact needs to be immediate and not after the crisis. The board can approve a beginning and ending date and attendance is excused on club and district level. Short term absences are best made up online.

Club Membership Applications

We are purpose-driven leaders of influence and action. To sponsor a prospective candidate to join our membership, contact Membership Chair Charles Olson EOlson200@msn.com or any member of the Board of Directors to ensure a vocational classification is available for your candidate.

Once the Classification Committee approves the classification, invite your new member candidate to a weekly meeting. If the candidate expresses interest in joining our club, then ask Membership Chair Charles to send the candidate an invitation to apply online. Once the new member candidate completes the application, Board members review the application. Then, new member candidates are presented for formal approval at the monthly Board meeting. Once approved by the Board, new member candidates are announced in Throbs. Unless there is objection by any existing member, the new member is scheduled for orientation and formal induction. All members of our club need to think about who would make good Rotarians!

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