

Dear Families,

Please become a member of Simsbury Friends for Music and Performing Arts for the 2017-18 school year. We have been proudly supporting students for 30 years!



Friends is a non-profit organization dedicated to enriching the lives of students by funding opportunities that go beyond the Board of Education’s budget. We believe the arts play an important role in Simsbury schools, and most importantly in the growth, development and character of children.

Your donations go directly to Simsbury students. This past year, our \$30,000 budget enabled us to support:

- The Town-wide Choral Festival featuring Guest Artist and clinician Elizabeth Nunez (funded entirely by Friends) and The Town-wide Elementary Chorus (funded entirely by Friends)
- Transportation costs for students and ensembles to attend adjudications and CMEA Festivals
- Music Excellence Awards in all five elementary schools, HJMS and SHS
- Guest Artists for Master Classes in elementary schools, HJMS and SHS
- Lighting costs for the SHS Theatre Department

These things won’t happen without your generous donations of money and time. Please join Friends or renew your current membership. Also, ask your employer if they offer a matching gift program. That is a great way to double your donation. Another way to contribute is to join us at our monthly meetings - get involved and make a difference in music and the performing arts for our schools! We truly appreciate your support!

Sincerely,

Elisabeth Hodson, President and Roni Grossman, Vice President

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There are three easy ways you can become a member or renew your membership:

- Visit www.simsburyfriendsformusic.org to make a secure donation via PayPal or credit card
- Make checks payable to “Simsbury Friends for Music” and return this form to your child’s school office
- Mail the form & check to: SFMPA, c/o SHS Music Department; 34 Farms Village Road, Simsbury, CT 06070

_____ **\$10 Friend**

_____ **\$25 Performer’s Circle**

_____ **\$50 Composer’s Circle**

_____ **\$100 Conductor’s Circle**

_____ **\$200 and up Arts Benefactor**

_____ **Other Amount**

All donations will be deposited in the general fund of the Simsbury Friends for Music and Performing Arts and will be distributed in accordance with the fundamental mission described in the bylaws of this organization.

_____ Check here if you do **NOT** want your name to be listed in concert programs as a Friends supporter.

NAME _____ **EMAIL** _____

My child/children attend: (please circle) SHS HJMS Central Latimer Squadron Tariffville Tootin’

_____ **Yes, I’d like to volunteer to help the Friends! Please contact me!**

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