

# NEW JERSEY SYMPHONY

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## COMMUNITY PARTNERS MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

# DECEMBER

*In December, musicians served more than **1,500** community members of all ages, through **15** events across **eight** New Jersey counties.*



## CITY OF ORANGE TREE LIGHTING

On December 3, brass quintet members Garth Greenup, Wayne du Maine, Chris Komer, Vernon Post and Wesley Krygsman braved the cold weather to herald the holidays. People couldn't help but smile and sing along to the holiday favorites as they walked by and drank hot chocolate. Thanks to TD Charitable Foundation for their support in gathering the community around music.

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## EL SISTEMA NEW JERSEY ALLIANCE

On December 4, Brennan Sweet visited United Children's Music Project (UCMP) and worked with their Intermediate Orchestra as they prepare for their winter concert. As the fiscal sponsor of the El Sistema New Jersey Alliance, the New Jersey Symphony provides the opportunity for its musicians to visit its five partner organizations, one of which is UCMP. The day prior, Naomi Youngstein, Sasha Neglia, Chris Terhune and Jonathan Spitz shared the Leadership Quartet program with students at Paterson Music Project, who asked thoughtful questions and provided astute observations.



## CARRIER CLINIC

On December 11, Xin Zhao, Ann Kossakowski, Christine Terhune and Hyewon Kim performed a holiday concert for staff at Hackensack Meridian Health's Carrier Clinic, a behavioral health facility that offers detox, rehab and psychiatric services for addiction and mental illness. Senator Andrew Zwicker, lead sponsor of State's LLI grant to the Symphony, also made an appearance! Musicians also performed at two other events courtesy of funding from Hackensack Meridian Health this month.



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## BLOOMBERG HOLIDAY PARTY

On December 17, David Southorn, JoAnna Farrer, Chris Terhune, and Ted Ackerman brought holiday cheer to the Bloomberg' holiday party at their offices in Skillman, NJ. Over 200 employees stopped by to mingle and listen to some holiday favorites!



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## NJ TRANSIT MUSIC IN MOTION

In collaboration with NJ TRANSIT and as a part of their Music in Motion series, Garth Greenup, Wayne du Maine, Andrea Menousek, Vernon Post and Derek Fenstermacher performed joyful holiday tunes at Newark Penn Station to ring in the holiday season. They provided a wonderful comfort amongst the hustle and bustle of commuters waiting for their rides home.



As always, thank you for your support of the Community Partners program. Stay tuned for the next edition of Monthly Highlights!