

NEW JERSEY SYMPHONY

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COMMUNITY PARTNERS MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

OCTOBER

*In October, musicians served more than **900** community members of all ages, through **12** events across **five** New Jersey counties.*



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PG CHAMBERS SCHOOL

Throughout October, Greg LaRosa visited each classroom at PG Chambers School, which provides special education and therapy programs for children with disabilities and developmental delays. The theme was *Music and Movement*—where the students twisted, grooved, and tapped switch drums to tunes that ranged from “Take the ‘A’ Train” to “YMCA”. Francine Storck joined Greg for a culminating interactive performance that introduced students to the string instruments that they will explore further in the spring!

NJ SYMPHONY ANNUAL MEETING

On October 9, Juan Martinez and Andy Lamy dazzled the attendees of the Symphony’s Annual Meeting at the Van Vleck House & Gardens. With a program of Georg Philipp Telemann, Johann Sebastian Bach, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and *Views of the Blues*, the clarinet duo provided a beautiful concert for the evening. Thanks to the Turrell Fund for hosting such a spectacular event!





NEWARK ARTS FESTIVAL

On October 13, as a part of the Newark Arts Festival, Allison Loggins-Hull and the New Jersey Symphony Chamber Players (Jim Tsao, Maya Shiraishi, Mike Stewart, Jonathan Spitz, LonFon Law, Kathleen Nester, Andrea Menousek, David Fein and Dan McMillan) performed Loggins-Hull's compositions titled *Can You See?* and *Persist* alongside works by Claude Debussy and Jessie Montgomery. Many thanks to our partners at Newark School of the Arts for hosting this event!



KEYS 2 SUCCESS

This month, musicians collaborated with El Sistema New Jersey Alliance partner organization, Keys 2 Success on two exciting events. Juan Martinez and Andrea Menousek joined the keyboard students at Newark Arts Festival Kids on October 12 for a wonderful community performance, and then were joined by woodwind quintet members Bob Wagner, Gen Shinkai and Alex Knoll for Keys 2 Success' annual fundraiser on October 26, performing works by composers from Lin-Manuel Miranda to Bach.



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