

GRAND RAPIDS SYMPHONY FRIENDS

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Mission: Symphony Friends (SF) was founded in 1941 as the Grand Rapids Symphony Women's Committee to promote and support the growth of the Grand Rapids Symphony and to further the appreciation and understanding of quality music. The SF focuses on fostering friendship through symphony activities and raising funds each season for GR Symphony Education Programs including: Fifth Grade Concerts, Lollipop Concerts, Mosaic Scholarships and Gateway to Music.

Membership and Benefits: Membership is open to people of all ages who wish to support the Grand Rapids Symphony and have fun at the same time!

There are five Member's Meetings each year - two are luncheon meetings. Meetings feature a concert preview, performances by musicians, light refreshments and opportunities to meet the Music Director, conductors, musicians, staff and guest artists.

Members receive advance notices of special symphony events, invitations to exclusive, "members - only" backstage gatherings and interesting meeting venues throughout the season.

Committee Options: (Please choose one or more)

- Communications – Assist by making a limited number of phone calls or sending emails for special events
- Ambassador – Assist the AIR (Artists in Residence) ensembles at their assigned schools (3-4 times per year)
- Education – Assist with various education programs
- Historian – Assist by photographing and documenting Women's Committee events
- Hospitality – Assist with refreshments and greeting members and guests at luncheons and member meetings
- Membership – Assist with membership drives and member retention
- Musician Host – Host a guest musician in your home during the rehearsal and concert week
- Newsletter – Assist with preparing and mailing newsletter
- Special Events – Assist with various projects and fundraising events
- Social Media – Assist by posting events and pictures on Facebook
- Website – Assist by keeping calendar and information current

Types of Membership:

ACTIVE Members pay \$35 annually and agree to serve on at least one committee during the year.

SUSTAINING Members pay \$100 annually. Sustaining Members may serve on committees if they choose.

LIFETIME – Members pay \$500 one-time dues. Lifetime Members may serve on committees if they choose.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, ZIP _____

EMAIL _____ PHONE (day) _____ (evening) _____

Membership Type: ACTIVE _____ SUSTAINING _____ LIFETIME _____

Referred by: _____

Please mail this form and your check, payable to "GRS Friends" to:

Julie Connors, VP Membership
71 Lafayette NE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

You may also pay your membership dues via PayPal with a credit card. Please go to grsymphonyfriends.org and click on the SF store tab to choose the level of membership you would like.

Questions? Contact Julie Connors @ 616 957-8144 or email jconnors@gmail.com or grsymphonyfriends.org