

About The Music Settlement

Since 1912, The Music Settlement has connected people from all ages and backgrounds to celebrate and share experiences through the universal language of music. Our vision is to unlock the potential in everyone. Our mission is to inspire and welcome all to our music and arts community to learn, create, celebrate, and heal.

We ensure music and the arts are accessible to all through our generous financial assistance program and year-round enrollment at our historic east side campus in University Circle and our west side campus in Ohio City.

Our programs are delivered by exceptional faculty and music therapists in an environment that nurtures individual achievement and creativity, allowing students and clients to reach their full potential while developing a lifelong love of the arts.

We offer generous financial aid and scholarships so that all have access to our beneficial arts-infused programming. We also welcome and encourage all members of our community to get involved with TMS in a variety of opportunities: as volunteers; attending recitals, performances, and events; and through gifts of support.

About the Cleveland Pops Orchestra

The Cleveland Pops: entertaining, enriching, educating.

The Cleveland Pops Orchestra delivers orchestral performances unlike any other, which entertain audiences of all ages. The most popular music of stage, film, and television come to life, creating an experience that evokes an emotional reaction and response to the art of music. The orchestra enriches the community through its performances and through music education.

The 65 piece orchestra performs six subscription concerts each year, an annual holiday performance and a New Year's Eve concert and dance. The sounds that make up the Pops includes the music of Broadway, Hollywood, jazz, big band, light classics, and patriotic marches.

The Cleveland Pops Orchestra is one of the few independent symphonic pops orchestras in the nation and relies on your support to bring the finest symphonic pops music to Ohio.

Share your recital photos and videos with us on social media using
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Look for TMS and the Pops on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and X.

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Cleveland Pops Youth Orchestra

2025 Winter Concerts

Carl Topilow, conductor
Dean Buck, assistant conductor

December 1, 2025 | 7:00 pm
Cuyahoga Community College, Eastern Campus

December 8, 2025 | 7:00 pm
Gilmour Academy

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www.TheMusicSettlement.org | 216.421.5806

Orchestra personnel

Conductor / Music Director – Carl Topilow

Assistant Conductor – Dean Buck

VIOLIN I

Holden Vokes
Leo Wang
James Faieta
*Nathan Mu
Kira Walters
Arielle Klein
Sophia Wang
Liam Schaefer

VIOLIN II

Leo Albrecht
Evelyn Foutty
Medha Iyer
Laya Viswanath
Yuewen Li
Evelyn You
Ethan Scheraga
Caroline Reidhead
Danny Albrecht

VIOLIN III

Jianna Qu

VIOLA

Joanna Kwon

CELLO

*Jude del Rosario
Zoe Cortes
Anna Curry
Leah Wang
William Barker
*Francesca Borovica

BASS

Ethan Henz

FLUTE

Ryan Seckel
Eva Zheng

OBOE

Jude Meier
Reagan Carnes

CLARINET

Jesse Zhang
Aurelia Chiacchiari

BASSOON

Rory Karem

Welcome

Thank you for joining us!

program

American Heartland

arr. Larry Moore

America the Beautiful, My Country 'Tis of Thee, This Land is Your Land

Go West!

arr. Ralph Ford

The Magnificent Seven, The Good, The Bad, and the Ugly, Hang 'em High

Fields of Gold

G.M. Sumner

arr. Larry Moore

Eine Kleine Nachtmusik

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

I. Allegro

arr. Merle J. Isaac

The Planets

Gustav Holst

IV. "Jupiter"

arr. Phillip Hash

Serenade

Joseph Haydn

arr. Kathy Fishburn

Jesse Zhang, clarinet

The Four Seasons

Antonio Vivaldi

I. "Spring"

arr. Vernon Leidig

III. "Autumn"

The Three Fiddlers

Everett Gates

Leo Albrecht, *Nathan Mu, James Faieta

Papageno Suite

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

from *The Magic Flute*

arr. Jamin Hoffman

Canon

Johann Pachelbel

Main Theme from *Star Wars*

John Williams

arr. Charles Sayre

JOIN US AT THE MUSIC SETTLEMENT

Serving Northeast Ohio Since 1912

Our mission is to inspire and welcome all to our music and arts community to learn, create, celebrate, and heal. Come join us today!

Music Instruction

Private Lessons
Ensembles
Group Classes
All ages and skill levels

Music Therapy

Private Sessions
Home-Based Therapy
Group Sessions
All ages welcome

Early Childhood

Full-Day Preschool
Morning Preschool
Kindergarten
Arts for the Young

BOP STOP - Cleveland's premier listening room, an acoustically pristine venue

For more information, visit www.TheMusicSettlement.org.

Financial aid and hardship assistance are available to those who qualify.



Carl Topilow

Cleveland Pops Youth Orchestra Conductor

Founding conductor of the Cleveland Pops Orchestra, Carl Topilow's eclectic programs have been acclaimed by audiences and critics alike. He enjoys a dual career as both conductor and clarinetist, often finding an occasion to perform a selection with the Pops on one of his brightly colored clarinets.

Carl is also conductor of the Firelands Symphony Orchestra, based in Sandusky, Ohio. After 42 years as conductor of the National Repertory Orchestra, a summer festival in Breckenridge, CO, he is continuing an active role with the orchestra as Conductor Laureate. He was named Faculty Emeritus after 37 years as Conductor and Director of the Orchestral Program at the Cleveland Institute of Music and has served as principal pops conductor of the Toledo Symphony Orchestra, Southwest Florida Symphony Orchestra and Mansfield Symphony Orchestra.

Topilow has performed as guest conductor with 133 different orchestras in 37 states and 12 foreign countries. He continues his role as educator with his work as a clinician and teacher for conductors. His book, *The Orchestral Conductor's Career Handbook*, is available through www.carltopilow.com and www.rowman.com.

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Friday, January 30, 2026

Legends of Country



Friday, February 20, 2026

*Symphony of Illusions
with Michael
Grandinetti*



Saturday, March 28, 2026

Famous Ladies of Song



Friday, April 24, 2026
Williams & Spielberg



Saturday, June 6, 2026
250th Celebration