

Grande Ronde Symphony plans fall concerts

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LA GRANDE, BAKER CITY — After a season of just one concert, the Grande Ronde Symphony has plans for several in-person performances for the 2021-2022 season.

"We're back and able to perform live and in person," said Alice Trindle, president of the Grande Ronde Symphony Association.

The symphony held its first rehearsal on Sept. 29. The new policy is that all musicians must be vaccinated or be a student at Eastern Oregon University who is fulfilling EOU's health and safety protocols. Also, masks are required at all times for those playing string instruments and percussion, and when not playing for the wind and brass musicians.

"We are all just so delighted to get back and play together," Trindle said.

The first concert is planned for 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, at McKenzie Theatre on the EOU campus in La Grande. The symphony's second concert is at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral in Baker City. Masks will be required to attend.

The featured artist at both concerts is Molly Trindle, winner of the 2021 Concerto+Aria Competition in the open category for instrumentalists who live in Oregon, Idaho or Washington. She will play Concerto in C for oboe and orchestra by Mozart.



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The Grande Ronde Symphony Orchestra has two concerts planned in November. Masks are required for musicians and audience members.

Looking further ahead, a winter concert is scheduled for March 3 at McKenzie Theatre, and the spring concert will be May 25, also at EOU.

TICKETS

Season passes are \$30 adults, \$20 seniors, \$2 for college students and \$1 for high school students.

Tickets at the door for each

concert are \$12 adults, \$10 seniors, \$2 college students and \$1 for high school and middle school students.

Purchase tickets online at www.granderondesymphony.org, at Betty's Books in Baker City, or Direct Music Source in La Grande.

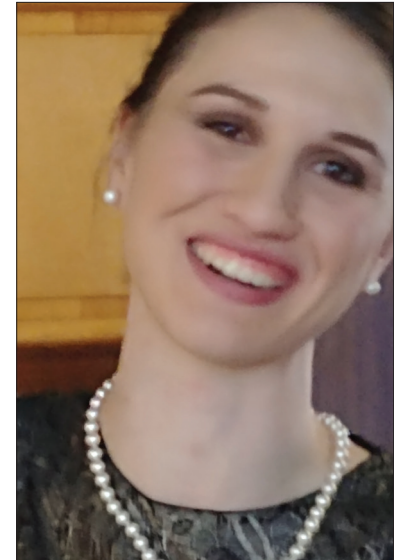
STUDENT GROUPS

In addition to the main sym-

phony, the GRSA has several programs for youth, including the student symphony for all ages, and Fiddle Club for grades 3-8.

Alice Trindle said membership in the Fiddle Club has increased from 60 to 85.

"It's really great," she said. "Our ultimate goal is they come into the Grande Ronde Symphony."



Grande Ronde Symphony/
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Molly Trindle, winner of this year's Concerto+Aria Competition, is the featured artist in the November concerts of the Grande Ronde Symphony.

This season will also see a renovation of the chamber series with CASES — Chamber & Small Ensemble Series.

"We're expanding the music we're offering," Trindle said.

For updates on the symphony, visit www.granderondesymphony.org or check the symphony's Facebook page.

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