



STEAMBOAT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

SSO Fact Sheet

Vision: We envision a community where outstanding orchestral experiences inspire, educate, and connect to a more vibrant, creative, and healthy Yampa Valley.

Mission: The mission of the Steamboat Symphony Orchestra is to integrate the experience of orchestral music into the heart of our community, to deliver outstanding professional performances, and to provide music education that is accessible and compelling.

Values:

- **Inspiration:** Outstanding, compelling, and innovative orchestral experiences that engage the human spirit.
- **Connection:** We listen to and collaborate with our community to provide relatable and relevant musical performances.
- **Education:** Provide accessible music education programming for musicians of all ages and socio-economic backgrounds.

Our Approach:

- **Concerts:** We offer outstanding professional orchestral experiences throughout the season.
 - **Seasonal concerts:** We offer three orchestral performances featuring local, national, and international guest artists.
 - **Summer music series:** We provide free ensemble performances to make music accessible to the community.
 - **Collaborative concerts:** We collaborate with community and arts organizations in a variety of venues to amplify performing arts experiences to attract diverse audiences.
- **Music Education:** We nurture the study of music through a variety of educational programs for musicians of all ages.
 - **Strings Immersion,** under the leadership of Music Director and Conductor Ernest Richardson is an intensive, extended experience providing young strings students a unique opportunity to rehearse and perform chamber and orchestral music. Incorporating professional

master musicians, the experience culminates with a community concert.

- **Steamboat Springs High School Strings Orchestra** is a partnership between the Steamboat Symphony Orchestra (SSO) and the Steamboat Springs School District (SSSD). Led by the SSO Education Director and Concertmaster Teresa Steffan Greenlee, the High School Orchestra provides the critical foundation and pathway which allows students to continue their musical journey.
- **SSO Performance Opportunities** are a way for young musicians to engage and perform with professional orchestral musicians under the guidance of master coaches and the SSO Music Director and Conductor.
- **Sustainability:** We serve as responsible leaders and stewards in our profession and community, investing in our present while planning for future generations. We rely on the generous support of many individuals and organizations to sustain our programming and events. Supporting the SSO translates into championing top quality artistic talent, mentoring of students and music education, and becoming part of an organization that is breaking professional orchestral stereotypes. Connectivity and vibrancy within the community is our driving force. Donors have many avenues to support the SSO.
 - Attend one of our fundraisers: From Bubbly to Bach and The SSO Gala
 - Attend a concert performance
 - Support us on [Yampa Valley Gives Day](#) - Tuesday, December 6, 2022
 - Sponsor a [visiting SSO performer](#)
 - Invest with an [individual donation](#)
 - Designate SSO for your [Amazon](#) purchases