# The Savannah Area Flute Association



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I hope you are all doing well at this time. The members of SAFA have been very disappointed at not being able to play together and have had to unfortunately cancel their spring and summer concerts. However, recent events have unexpectedly opened new doors and unique ways for us to connect and make music together.

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First of all, as SAFA was not able to give its spring flute choir concert for which its members had worked so hard to prepare, they decided to record a couple of their pieces to give a virtual concert instead! Members of the advanced choir (ShaQuan Hayes, Carolyn Christy, Jaki Fesq, Erika Andres) prepared Nicole Chamberlain's The Cat's Pajamas which may be viewed at <a href="https://youtu.be/WqpKnh4EDpA">https://youtu.be/WqpKnh4EDpA</a>, and members of the beginning choir (Essly Alvarez, Ethan Tong) prepared François Devienne's Nineteen Duos No. 1 which may be found here <a href="https://youtu.be/4A7E1DUAUbU">https://youtu.be/4A7E1DUAUbU</a>. Please take a look and a listen to their flutastic performances!

Also, SAFA is excited to announce that the flute company Haynes will be sponsoring several *free* online classes for Savannah area flutists, including classes on performance techniques, headjoint making, and flute mechanics! These events are happening really soon, so please see page 2 of this newsletter for more details and information on how to register. We need to meet a minimum number of attendees for these classes to happen, so please join us and invite all of your fellow flutist friends to participate!

I would also like to take a moment to thank all of those who made our Flute Day 2019 last fall so amazing! We were treated to a wonderful workshop, recital, and flute choir reading session led by guest artist Nicole Chamberlain, enjoyed an interesting and informative flute maintenance discussion with Keren Barr, as well as had a district honor band workshop and SAFA's fall flute choir concert. We were also very excited to have an exhibit hall with many fine flutes and sheet music for the first time! We are keeping our fingers crossed that events will return to normal soon and regular activities may resume in the fall, as we have many more exciting events planned! We hope to see you all in-person soon.

Have a wonderful and safe summer!

Erika Andres SAFA President



Flute Day 2019 Nicole Chamberlain Recital



Flute Day 2019 Fall Flute Choir Concert

### **Haynes Virtual Flute Classes**

SAFA is excited to announce that there are three *free* online classes scheduled to be given by experts from the Haynes flute company! You must register for the classes you wish to attend at www.wmshaynes.com/register at least 24 hours in advance of the start of a class. Classes will be held using Microsoft Teams. You may download the app for desktop (preferred) or iOS/Android or open the links using Google Chrome. Links to join each class are found below.

Here are details about the three upcoming classes (please note that all classes are on Thursdays but the McLearnon class is at 5:00pm while the others start at 7:00pm):

### Colo(u)r & Emotion with Gareth McLearnon Thursday, May 21 at 5:00pm

An approach on performing at concerts or to juries and panels and how using these approaches can actually improve our artistry at the same time. It is recommended that you have been playing flute for at least a year to attend.



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#### The Hand Carved Sound with Aiven O'Learv Thursday, May 28 at 7:00pm

An interactive look into the headjoint-making process. Discover how slight changes on the headjoint can have a HUGE impact on your sound. Any questions that you've ever had about headjoints, headjoint making, and all of the aspects that go into the engine of your flute - Aiven will deliver the information!

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#### Materials and Mechanics/Care & Maintenance Session with **Joy Roberts**

#### Thursday, June 4 at 7:00pm

Learn about the various options available to you when choosing your instrument. Come hear how the precious metals affect sound and how different mechanical options affect feel. Also learn about best practices to care for and maintain your flute to keep your instrument working its best.



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### **Summer Flute Choir Rehearsal Schedule**



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# **Upcoming Events**

Colo(u)r & Emotion Haynes Class-Thursday, May 21, 5pm, Online
The Hand Carved Sound Haynes Class-Thursday, May 21, 7pm, Online
Mechanics/Care & Maintenance Haynes Class-Thursday, June 4, 7pm, Online

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### A Flute Funny!



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