

ANNUAL REPORT, 2017-2018, SEASON 8

Fenton Community Orchestra

The **Fenton Community Orchestra** (FCO) was founded in August 2010 by three Fenton residents who wished to bring an orchestral experience to their community. The purpose of the orchestra is to provide a place for musicians of all ages to connect through music by offering an educational and entertaining music program for its members and audiences.

The reality is that this orchestra is doing so much more for our musicians, our schools and our community. ***We are breaking our musician participation, audience attendance and donation records,*** and our complexity of music offered continues to increase. Our musicians come from Fenton and 15+ surrounding communities.



Performance of *No more C in Me* with soloist Jim Kortge (banjo) and FCO Spring 2018

The age range is 13-86 years. Family members play together; area students choose to spend Thursday evenings making music; lives are enhanced.

New Events Held: FCO premiered a piece for orchestra and banjo, called *No more C in Me*. It was composed and soloed by our own orchestra member, Jim Kortge; Season 8 also featured a special event - FCO Goes to the Movies - performing music in the movies from the Golden Age of Hollywood to today; FCO appeared in local schools promoting musical artistry to young people; and, as an established tradition, FCO orchestra members shared the stage with Fenton Jazz Orchestra at both Winter and Spring concerts.

Audience Attendance:

FCO hosted an audience of more than **5,000** attendees which include December & April concerts held at Fenton High School with the Fenton Jazz Orchestra, FCO Goes to the Movies event, Concert in Park, March Business Expo show, Music in the elementary schools, and more! We are thrilled so many were able to enjoy our music this season!

Financial Highlights:

In September 2017 ***FCO received a \$14,000 matching grant from the Michigan Council for Arts &***

Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts to support an Operational Manager position. Our donations increased by 8.5% over Season 7.

Save the Date
FCO Winter Concert
December 7 & 8
at 7:30 pm
Fenton High School

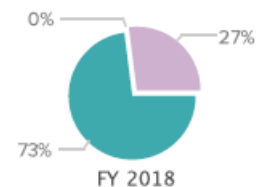
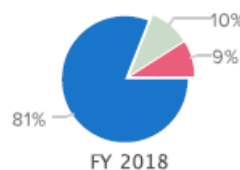
We begin Season 9 with a solid foundation and exciting concert plans - with a **Winter Concert scheduled for December 7th & 8th**. Our groups, including *Simply Strings* and *Wind Ensemble*, are thrilled for the opportunity to share their talents with the community, while building strong partnerships with local schools and area businesses. And with your generous support, FCO will continue to serve and grow.

FCO Orchestra Music Director : **ANDREW DAVID PERKINS**
 Simply Strings Music Director: **JANE BALL**
 Wind Ensemble Music Director: **TIMOTHY MARTUCH**



EXPENSE: \$59,495

REVENUE: \$77,705



- Program
- General & Administrative
- Fundraising
- Earned
- Investment
- Contributed

Contributors to the Fenton Community Orchestra

Music in the Community Supported by Generous Donors

CHAIRMAN Circle: \$5000+

Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs & the National Endowment for the Arts

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