



Northwest Horn News

Fall 2024

Welcome to the renewed Northwest Horn Society Newsletter! Compiled by board members of the NWHS, this seasonal newsletter will be a place to hear about events put on by the Society and its members.

NWHS Members at IHS56 : Horns on the Horizon

With the 2024 International Horn Symposium in our backyard, it's no surprise that many of our members found their way to Colorado State University for Horns on the Horizon -

Jeffrey Snedeker presented a lecture on the music of John Jacob Graas as well as conducting the Central Washington University Horn Ensemble and performing with the NU CORNO ensemble and as part of a quartet with featured artists Shanyse Strickland and Kevin Newton. Martin King presented a lecture exploring the creative use of Kopprasch Book 1. The IVY Quartet of WSU competed in the IHS quartet competition. The Montana State University Horn Ensemble and Bozeman Symphony horn section performed, led by Elizabeth Schmidt. Mike Simpson performed Billy Strayhorn's final composition, "Suite for the Duo" and performed as part of a quartet with with featured artists Shanyse Strickland and Kevin Newton. The University of the Pacific Horn Ensemble performed, led by Sadie Glass. Glass also led a natural horn bootcamp session. Zachary Cooper performed The Idol Mind by Jeff Scott.

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From upper left: Martin King, Mike Simpson & Jeff Snedeker with Shanyse Strickland and Kevin Newton, Montana State University & Bozeman Symphony horns, Central Washington University horns, IVY Quartet from WSU, and the (nearly) full contingent of NWHS members at IHS56!



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Ensemble Spotlight: IVY Quartet

Congratulations to the IVY Horn Quartet from WSU for competing in the IHS Quartet Competition. After winning the NW Horn Symposium Quartet Competition, adjudicated by the US Army Brass Quintet, the ensemble performed a varied program of music by Bizet, Koetsier, Hallam, and Giraud in Fort Collins.



The NWS Symposium is coming to the University of Oregon in Spring 2025!

Hosted by Leander Star and Lydia van Dreel. Dates and other details will be announced in early 2025.

NWS Scholarships and Grants

Northwest Horn Society Scholarship assists students with the costs of attending the NWS Symposium. To apply, send a one page letter of application stating your background, why attending a NWS Symposium is important to you, and describing why you are in need of financial aid. One letter of recommendation from a music teacher (private or school related) is required. More information at <http://www.nwhornsociety.org/scholarships.html>.

NWS Private Lessons Assistance Grant Program provides financial assistance to students in grades 5-12 whose circumstances would normally prohibit access to private lessons. Information on how to apply is available at <http://www.nwhornsociety.org/scholarships.html>.



The Northwest Horn Society is looking for a Social Media Volunteer! Are you hip with the latest trends and passionate about helping this organization reach more horn players? Contact us at nwhornsociety@gmail.com to be a part of our online presence!



A 2024 NWHHS Symposium Retrospective

Washington State University horn professor and 2024 NWHHS Symposium host Martin King reflects on his experience hosting the symposium this past spring:

“The 2024 Northwest Horn Symposium was held April 12-14, 2024, at Washington State University in Pullman, Washington, hosted by Assistant Professor of Horn Martin D. King. This is the first time that WSU has hosted a regional symposium. The symposium featured artists Bernhard Scully, Charles “Skip” Snead, and the US Army Brass Quintet. Over 100 high school students, university students, avocational players, and professional players from around the region attended the event, and we hosted eight vendors as well. We hosted a regional artist recital, presentations on everything from jazz horn to the transition from natural horn to valve horn, a massed ensemble, and an after-concert featuring a jazz jam session coordinated by Mike Simpson. There was a high school solo competition, university solo competition, orchestral mock audition, and a quartet competition. The WSU Horn Ensemble and the Central Washington University Horn Ensemble both performed at this event.

The WSU Horn studio would like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of this event. Our featured artists were wonderful in their performances, sessions, masterclasses, and all their interactions with everyone who attended. We would also like to thank everyone who adjudicated, presented, performed, competed, exhibited, or otherwise contributed to the symposium. It was an honor to host all of you, and we hope to see all of you again soon!”

-Dr. Martin King





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Meet our Board!



Jeff Snedeker, President



Jason Johnston,
Treasurer/Membership



Martin King, Scholarships



Mike Simpson, Secretary

Our Mission

The purpose of our organization is to promote musical education and engagement with particular emphasis on the horn and horn playing in the Northwest region of North America, including Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, Alaska, and Hawaii in the U.S. and Canadian provinces British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan.



Elizabeth Schmidt,
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Northwest Horn Society Membership

Need to renew your membership or looking to become a member for the first time?

Membership in the Northwest Horn Society is simple!

Visit <http://www.nwhornsociety.org/membership.html>, fill out and submit the form, and use the Paypal link at the bottom of the page.

Membership dues:

Regular member: \$10 per year or 3 years for \$25

College student: \$5 per year or 3 years for \$12

High School student or younger: free

Your membership helps us offer scholarships and grants and advertise and host annual symposiums. Thank you for your continued support of the NwHS! If you have any questions about payments, please contact our Membership Coordinator, Jason Johnston, at jjohnston@uidaho.edu.

Interested in donating to the Society?

If you are interested in donating to either the Northwest Horn Society scholarship or general funds, consider clicking on the 'Donate' button at the bottom of our homepage, www.nwhornsociety.org, to help us assist and promote the horn throughout the Northwest region. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated! General Funds donations are used in the Society to help cover the cost of clinicians and events that the Society will host to promote the horn in our region. Scholarship and Grant Funds donations are used in the Society to help students to assist in covering the costs of private lessons and attending Society events such as Symposiums.

Thank you for reading!

