



The excitement of a live performance is at the core of ORCHESTRATING KIDS. By showing how orchestral sound has radically changed over time, the program encourages active listening, the development of a critical approach to new information and ideas, and participation and appreciation of a wide range of musical styles spanning 500 years of music history. Teachers are invited to ask their students to involve themselves in the concert experience and write a review or summary afterwards.



Lexington Symphony Music Director **Jonathan McPhee**, is winner of the Gabriel Award for his work with youth.

*“Jonathan McPhee was so impressive, as was each and every member of the orchestra. Our third graders so enjoyed it. The students were inspired to make and listen to music.*

— Amy Lees, Stratton School, Arlington, MA

**TO SIGN UP** for Lexington Symphony’s program **ORCHESTRATING KIDS THROUGH CLASSICS™** download the sign up form from our website: [www.lexingtonsymphony.org](http://www.lexingtonsymphony.org) by going to the main menu bar “Discover Our Outreach” and click on the drop-down menu title OKTC™. Scroll down under title ‘About OKTC’ and click on the pdf download link. Or, ask if there is a form available with this brochure. A program schedule and costs are listed on the website and also on the sign-up form.

**If you have questions or would like more information on OKTC™ contact us at:** [info@lexingtonsymphony.org](mailto:info@lexingtonsymphony.org) • 781-523-9009 *(Cary Hall is handicapped-accessible.)*

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**Lexington Symphony** is a professional orchestra of dedicated musicians with an emphasis on accessibility in the community. Bringing high-quality classical music to underserved audiences and collaborating with local schools is part of our core mission.



An original music program with a fresh approach that kids love!



ORCHESTRATING  
**KIDS**  
 THROUGH  
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ORCHESTRATING KIDS THROUGH CLASSICS™ (OKTC) is an inspiring program offered by the Lexington Symphony designed to introduce school-aged youth to sounds from orchestral instruments and to familiarize them with the classical music concert experience in an engaging, enjoyable way.



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OKTC Part I starts with a visit to your school by four of our musicians where students learn about and hear music from the instrument families of the orchestra. The musicians interact with the students by demonstrating the use of the instruments.



*"[Lexington Symphony] captivated the children's attention for the entire hour. It was magical to see the students faces as they watched the musicians perform."*

— Third Grade Teacher, Bowman School



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OKTC Part II occurs a few weeks later, when you and your students will come to hear Lexington Symphony perform at our concert venue, Cary Hall in Lexington, led by Conductor Jonathan McPhee. The one-hour dramatic concert takes the audience on a tour of the orchestra from its very beginnings 500 years ago through present-day familiar music, with many creative flourishes along the way.



*"Someday, I want to be a musician and be in a symphony orchestra."*

— Third grader, after attending OKTC

*"...very enriching for the children...some of whom will never again see this type of performance."*

— Parent / Lexington Education Foundation Board member



**SIGN UP TODAY!**  
 Seating is limited. Early reservations are recommended and filled on a first-come/serve basis. SEE HOW ON THE BACK >