



**RICHMOND SYMPHONY  
ORCHESTRA LEAGUE**

## **Welcome to the Richmond Symphony Orchestra League**

Serving Richmond since 1958, the Richmond Symphony Orchestra League (RSOL) is a membership-based, 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. The RSOL is dedicated to cultivating a volunteer group of men and women to support the Richmond Symphony, the largest performing arts organization in Central Virginia. With more than 70 professional musicians, the 150-voice Richmond Symphony Chorus, and more than 260 students in the Richmond Symphony Youth Orchestra programs, there are many ways for us to further our mission. The RSOL has developed a variety of programs and activities to stimulate interest in and appreciation of the Symphony and its music among diverse audiences and to provide fundraising opportunities to support the Symphony.

### **VOLUNTEER, FUNDRAISE and SOCIALIZE**

#### **Education and Community Engagement**

Volunteer for the Richmond Symphony youth and community oriented projects. **Come and Play** invites musicians of all ages and levels to bring their instruments and play alongside the musicians of the Richmond Symphony under the leadership of our Symphony Associate Conductor. **Discovery Concerts** for school age children are held during the school day to engage young minds through exciting full orchestra performances. **The Student Concerto Competition** is an annual solo competition held to encourage and recognize talented young Virginia musicians.

#### **Additional Volunteer Opportunities**

There are also other opportunities to volunteer by working on our Hospitality, Membership, Zero Cost and Ways and Means Committees.

## RSOL Supports Elegant, Unique Fundraisers



The Richmond Symphony Orchestra League Designer House is our signature fundraiser. Started in 1984, the RSOL has sponsored the Designer House every other year to raise money for the Richmond Symphony. For each Designer House, the RSOL selects a large host home for the event and then invites local designers to compete for the opportunity to decorate one of the 20 to 30 spaces inside and outside the home, donating their time and materials. The Designer House month-long events offer many volunteer opportunities.

### Socialize with RSOL Members and Guests at Champagne and Chocolates

RSOL members and their guests participate in Champagne and Chocolates, a series of fun and festive fundraising social events. These mini-concerts are held in private home settings and feature Richmond Symphony musicians. They offer the opportunity to meet and talk with the musicians in a more informal manner. The fee for each event offers another means to provide financial support for the Symphony.

To support the Richmond Symphony, the RSOL is constantly coming up with new events and fundraising opportunities that not only involve its membership, but the community as well.

## MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the RSOL is open to men and women who are interested in supporting, assisting and furthering the success of the Richmond Symphony.

### Benefits of RSOL Membership

#### Rewarding Volunteer Opportunities:

Members will find an array of rewarding and engaging volunteer opportunities. We help our new members find just the right fit for connecting with and volunteering for the RSOL.

#### Inspiration, Information and Involvement:

Members are invited to attend our five membership meetings per year, held at a variety of wonderful locations in the Richmond area.

### Behind-the-Scenes Info:

Weekly email updates keep you informed of volunteer opportunities, projects underway, and updates on concerts. Also our web page has all ongoing projects and events for your information so you will always have an avenue to become involved.

### Networking and Friendship:

The RSOL has many wonderful, dedicated members. When you join, you will have access to our members-only Yearbook and Membership Directory. This will assist you in getting to know everyone and become a part of the RSOL family. [You can also stay connected via our social media communications network of Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Pinterest.](#)

### Membership Choices

**Active** – Members who regularly participate in events, programs and fundraisers.

**Spousal** – Supporting spouses of RSOL Active members who also attend events, programs and fundraisers.

**Other Memberships available** – Supporting Member, Member of Note and Non-Resident Member.

Please refer to our website [www.rsol.org](http://www.rsol.org) for information about the dues for the different membership categories.

### HOW DO I BECOME A MEMBER?

Go to our website [www.rsol.org](http://www.rsol.org) and click “[Become a Member](#)” or send an email to [info@rsol.org](mailto:info@rsol.org) and our Membership Vice President will contact you.

Become one of our dynamic men and women promoting the excellence of the Richmond Symphony with Audience Development, Education and Fundraising . . .

**Join Us!**

*Our mission: Guiding us to our vision. The Richmond Symphony Orchestra League will cultivate a dedicated volunteer member base that supports the Richmond Symphony through fundraising, education and community involvement.*