



Quarter Notes

  Spring 2026 Edition  

A Busy Spring Season

Spring is always a busy time at KIC, but this year might be a record-breaker! This spring alone, our chamber groups will perform at **seven** community events. It brings us so much joy to be able to say "yes!" to these requests. KIC students have performed at Poulsbo **Town and Country Market**, **Cedars Unitarian Universalist Church**, and a special 90th birthday celebration, and have performances coming up with community partners **Amabile Choir**, **Singalong and Sounds**, **Bainbridge Island Senior and Community Center**, and **Kitsap Women's Giving Circle**. When we say that Kids in Concert is "community-based music," this is what we mean. In addition to allowing us to share beautiful music with community members, these performance opportunities also help our kids develop skills that will serve them for the rest of their lives.

For more information on upcoming performances, see the event calendar at the bottom of this newsletter, or visit our [events page](#).

KIC's all-student spring concert will be on **May 18th at 6:30 pm** at the North Kitsap Auditorium. Be sure to mark your calendars for this one! This year we will be partnering with **Kingston High School Band**, allowing many of our students to play as a full orchestra for the very first time. We are so grateful to Laura, Kirsten, and Any for fostering this partnership with Kingston High School and for expanding our students' musical horizons.

And on that note, we would like to express gratitude to *you*, our wonderful KIC community for supporting us during this year's **Kitsap Great Give**. Thanks to you, we exceeded our \$20,000 goal, raising over \$25,000! We're excited to put those funds to good use. If you missed it, [check out this video](#), which explains the impact of your gift.

Finally, you may have read about our [ongoing efforts to secure a new location for KIC's after school programming in the fall](#). While those efforts are still underway, we are happy to report that we are exploring several viable options and feel confident that KIC will have a place to call home come fall. In the meantime, we are gearing up for this year's musical theater camp, with teen mentors working away on this year's script. More details coming soon!

With gratitude for your continued support,

Rebecca and Deborah

High Notes



Members of KIC's advanced chamber ensemble

A moving performance at Cedars UU

We were honored to be invited to share our music with the congregation of Cedars Unitarian Universalist Church on Bainbridge Island this March. Our chamber ensemble gave a moving performance, including a beautiful rendition of Billy Joel's "And So It Goes." Our teens love playing this piece, and we love seeing their confidence and musical expression grow at each performance.

[Click here to watch our chamber group perform "And So It Goes" at Cedars UU.](#)



KIC mentors meet to discuss this year's summer musical production, led by KIC alum, Nara Deller

An original musical in the works!

KIC mentors recently gathered to begin developing an original musical theater script for this year's summer camp.

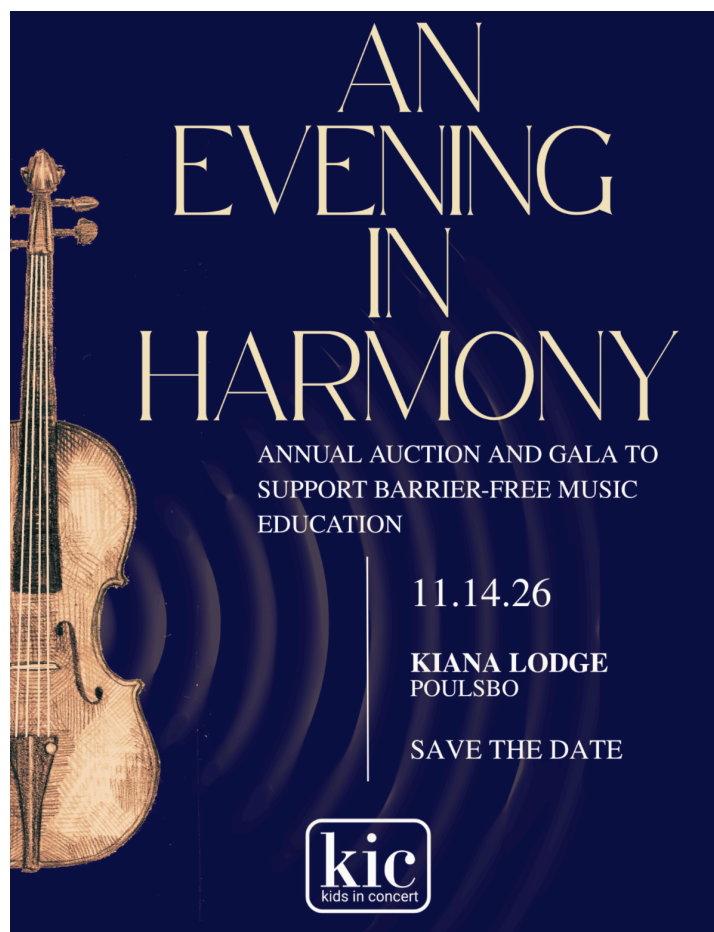
This is KIC's ninth year of producing an original musical theater production, written by KIC teens and performed by campers, ages 6-12.

This year, Nara Deller, a KIC alum and recent college grad, will be helping the mentors put all of their ideas together and compiling them into a script, complete with musical numbers. We can't wait to see what they come up with!

This year's musical theater performance will be on **Friday, July 17th.**

Did you know...?

KIC provides a scholarship to all of our graduating seniors, to help support them as they continue their education beyond high school. **The Roy Naden Memorial Scholarship** honors KIC's founder, Roy Naden, and his vision of transformational music education for all children in our community. This year, five students will be honored with the Roy Naden Scholarship.



Save the Date! KIC's Annual Gala is on November 14th.

This year's annual gala, "An Evening in Harmony," will be on **Saturday, November 14th**, at Kiana Lodge.

The theme of this year's gala, "reverberations," reflects something we witness every day: how even the smallest note can carry, expand, and transform into something powerful. The same is true of your support. Each gift, each moment of encouragement, creates a ripple effect—shaping young lives, building confidence, and opening doors through music.

We would be honored to have you join us for an evening that celebrates these echoes of generosity and growth. More details to come soon, but for now, please mark your calendar—we can't wait to gather with you again.

Spring Events

- **April 24 and 25:** **KIC performs with Amabile Choir.** Rolling Bay Presbyterian Church. Bainbridge Island.
- **May 18:** KIC Spring Concert with Kingston High School Band. North Kitsap Auditorium. 6:30 pm
- **June 7:** KIC chamber groups perform at Bainbridge Island Senior and Community Center. 1-1:30 pm.

For more information, visit www.kidsinconcert.org/events

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