DCYOP Encore Guild:

Make a lasting impact: remember DCYOP in your will as part of the Encore Guild.

Your passion for our mission can live on for generations to come. By making a planned gift to DC Youth Orchestra Program, you ensure that every generation of young musicians continue to grow and thrive within DCYOP's uniquely inclusive music education community. A simple step today will provide vital support for the future.

What is the Encore Guild?

The Encore Guild recognizes and honors the visionary friends who have chosen to support DCYOP through a gift in their will, trust, or other estate plans. Joining requires no minimum gift amount or immediate financial contribution—it simply lets us know that you have remembered us in your future plans.

How to Join

If you have already included the DC Youth Orchestra Program in your estate plans, or if you would like more information on how to do so, please let us know so we can welcome you to the Encore Guild.

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Talking to Your Financial Advisor* About Joining the Encore Guild

When meeting with your financial advisor, accountant, or estate attorney, you can use the language below to seamlessly integrate the DC Youth Orchestra Program into your long-term plans.

1. **Share Your Intent**

"I want to include the DC Youth Orchestra Program (DCYOP) in my estate planning. For 65 years, they have run a world class music education organization in Washington, DC. They provide transformative experiences for young musicians, and they are uniquely inclusive, ensuring no student is turned away due to financial barriers or experience level. I want my legacy to help safeguard that mission."

2. **Ask for the Best Giving Structure**

- **Wills and Trusts:** *"Can we look at adding a simple amendment to my will leaving a specific dollar amount or percentage of my estate to DCYOP?"*
- **Beneficiary Designations:** *"Would it be tax-smart for my heirs if we name DCYOP as a partial beneficiary of my traditional retirement account (like an IRA or 401k)?"*

3. **Sign up for the Encore Guild to communicate your plans with DCYOP.**

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