

## **2nd annual Musica Viva! set to support student scholarships**

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The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh music department will host its 2nd annual "Musica Viva!," an elegant evening of contemporary and historic musical entertainment to help raise money to support scholarships on April 14.

Faculty, students and alumni from UW Oshkosh will perform a broad range of instrumental, vocal, solo and ensemble compositions at the Arts and Communications Music Hall. The semi-formal event begins at 6 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres and drinks. At 7 p.m., the performers will take the stage to showcase their musical talents. The evening will conclude with an afterglow reception with desserts and live music.

"The program is as diverse as our department is, and will include everything from historical instruments to our jazz ensemble, vocal and instrumental selections, soloists and chamber music," said Linda Pereksta, assistant professor of flute and program chairperson for Musica Viva! "The further development of our music scholarship fund helps us to recruit and support the outstanding young musicians who come to UW Oshkosh for their education."

Musica Viva! tickets are \$50 and include hors d'oeuvres, the pre-concert reception featuring wines and other beverages and the post-concert desert buffet.

"It's a wonderful chance to share the stage with my colleagues and our musical findings with our listeners," said Eli Kalman, assistant professor of piano at UW Oshkosh. "We serve music in many ways, one of which is performance; it is most gratifying to communicate through sound and share your emotions with others."

Marty Robinson, associate professor of music and director of the jazz program for UW Oshkosh, who directed a trumpet and a jazz ensemble at last year's show said he enjoyed leading students and performing.

"This is a great event that helps our department, offers great value to the community and is fun for the students who are involved," Robinson said. "It's a win-win for everyone involved."

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