Spring 2022

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Happy New Year to our new and current members! What a lovely fall season we have had, and we have so much more on the Spring horizon! We hope you can join us in some of our Spring events. We kicked off our year with our LJA Mother -Daughter brunch, where we introduced our incoming Freshman class and honored the Senior class. We had a very successful Fall Membership event held at home of Susan Love's. Many thanks to Susan Love for sharing her space with us and welcome to the 5 new members join that day!

If you haven't attended the **Bachtober Fest** - please consider attending next year. It was a delightful evening and BRSL volunteers helped raise over \$600 for BRSO. The Symphony's 75th Gala was also a great success in November, followed quickly by the league's **Bal de la Symphonie** where 19 of Baton Rouge's most dedicated, beautiful and service minded young ladies were presented on December 18. (We might be a *little* biased!)



We hope to see you at one of the spring events and concerts! Musically yours, Michele Shaffer, BRSL President 2021-202

Nominate Mad Hatter's in the "Best of 225"  $\rightarrow$ 

Spring Things!

Jan 27 –join us at Stroube's for a pre-concert dinner. Menu on page 3. Contact at 225-448-2830 or https://stroubes.com

### March 10 Sips with the Symphony League

For all members! A pre-concert membership meeting, with



drinks and h'orderves on the rooftop of the Art's Council building.

March 13– LJA Info Mtg Rising

9<sup>th</sup> graders who are potential LJAs and their sponsors are invited to attend an open house to learn more about the program. For more info or to get the details, please email <u>brsl.les.jeunes.amies.program@gma</u> <u>il.com</u>

March 24 – Mad Hatters Artistas & Fashionistas (see more on Mad Hatters on page 2)

## Best Community Event $\rightarrow \underline{\text{Link}}$

# Hitting the Right Notes!

Speaking of Spring - Mad Hatters is around the corner... or should we say the **"award winning" Mad Hatters**? The BRSL was thrilled that the League's Mad Hatters event was recognized for its creativity in pandemic fund raising events for 2021 by the League of American Orchestras with a **"Spotlight Award".** Lauren Coco will be presenting details at the 2022 National Conference in Los Angeles in June.



This spring's Mad Hatter's event is destined to be a classic that you will not want to miss. Participate in a one of the kind Wearable Art Fashion Show. Buy your tickets now – as this event will likely sell out!

CharityAuction.bid/artistasandfashionistas



https://www.225batonrouge. com/bestof225#//

Select Category "Best Community Event".

Nominations due by Feb 9! Vote early and often!





**BRSL mission:** "To serve the interest of the Baton Rouge Symphony Orchestra by **fostering music appreciation** among children and adults and by **giving volunteer service** and **financial support** to the Baton Rouge Symphony Orchestra."



The Les Jeunes Amies (LJA) program is translated as the "Young Friends of the Symphony". The LJA program of 2021-2022 has 80 young ladies actively supporting the Symphony, including scanning tickets at the BRSO concerts and supporting various BRSL functions, such as delivering poinsettias after the Symphonie Ball, mailing raffle and other Mad Hatter related tickets.

In early June, the LJA will also volunteer at the newly branded "Symphony on the Geaux" camp (formerly Culture Camp), held in collaboration with the Boys & Girls Club of Baton Rouge.

### Baton Rouge Symphony League

The Baton Rouge Symphony League hosted a mother-daughter luncheon for members of Les Jeunes Amies de la Symphonie on October 10 at the Baton Rouge Country Club.



Reese Murphy, Emma Cate Thaxton, Ava Casadaban, Avery Helmke, Madelyn Freeman & Claire Moore (top section); Taryn Thomas, Abby Grier, Ainsley Dubroc, Ava Rose Robertson, Catherine Dunn, Bria Coleman, Emily Pearson & Marin Field (middle section); Camille Coco, Ainsley Johnson, Channing Brown, Elaine Bourgeois & Kate Waguespack (front section)

## Spring LJA activities

- Mad Hatter help selling raffle tickets, decorating champagne glasses and helping with the setup for the March 24<sup>th</sup> event
- LJA Open house for potential new members
- Spring luncheon sponsors and LJA members meet to close out the year and recognize the Ainsley Phillips Award for the LJA that earned the most service hours over the 4 years
- Prepare and execute Camp "Symphony on the Geaux" in June

Have questions about the LJA program? Know a rising 9<sup>th</sup> grader that might be interested in LJA? Contact <u>brsl.les.jeunes.amies.program@gmail.com</u>

## More Mad Hatters - Join us on March 24



Auction, Lunch, Hat Contest & Wearable Art Fashion Show

### March 24, 2022

Crowne Plaze

\$100 Individual \$1,000 General Table of 10 \$1,250 Front Stage Table of 10

Tickets available online at charityauction.bid/artistasandfashionistas



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## What is "wearable art"?



2022 Mad Hatters will feature creative and unique "wearable art" created by local artists. But what exactly is "wearable art"?



Wearable art, also known as Artwear or **"art to wea**r", refers to individually designed pieces of handmade clothing or jewelry created as fine or expressive art.

In short – *Wearable Art* is whatever you want it to be!













# Pre Concert Dinner – Jan 27



### **Opening Night Dinner at Stroubes**

January 27th

Enjoy a Pre-Dinner Champagne Cocktail New Orleans French Bread topped with Parmesan Pepper blend

### 1<sup>st</sup> course:

Stroube's Salad

Spring mix, blue cheese, spiced pecans, tomatoes and pickled okra in a bacon shallot vinaigrette dressing

### 2<sup>nd</sup> course:

Grilled Chicken Grilled chicken breast, mushroom risotto and sautéed spinach with a bacon demi-glaze

LA Redfish

Grilled Redfish served with corn maque choux and green beans topped with a BBQ butter sauce

#### **Beef Tenderloin**

Grilled beef tenderloin served with roasted garlic and mascarpone mashed potatoes, grilled asparagus, topped with hollandaise.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> course:

White Chocolate Bread Pudding

\$45- Contact Stroube's to make your reservation!

https://stroubes.com or 225-448-2830

The Symphony League is hosting an opening night fundraising dinner at Stroubes, before the January 27th concert, with guest conductor Andrew Grams.

A portion of all sales will be donated to support BRSO.

Check out the fantastic menu below, and call Stroubes to make your reservation today!

Stroubes 107 3rd St, Baton Rouge, LA 70801

For reservations, (225) 448-2830

Be sure to mention BRSO when you make your reservation.

### **Reminder**: Andrew Grams at First Baptist Church Thursday, 1/27/22

7:30 PM.