



# COMMUNITY & PUBLIC PROGRAMS

## About Chicago Sinfonietta

Chicago Sinfonietta champions diversity, equity, and inclusion by creating community through bold symphonic experiences. Since 1987, Chicago Sinfonietta has been a defiantly different kind of orchestra. The orchestra was founded by Maestro Paul Freeman to address the disconnect between the utter lack of diversity in orchestras and the vibrant, nuanced, communities in which they play. For nearly 35 years, Chicago Sinfonietta has made it its mission to represent the city of Chicago, reflecting that vibrancy on stage and in our programming, making classical music accessible for anyone. About Community and Public Programs

Chicago Sinfonietta's Community and Public Programs (CPP) is a collection of satellite residencies throughout Chicago. CPP neighborhood residencies are designed to eliminate socioeconomic and geographic barriers to experiencing classical music while providing interactive programming and services. Through this program, Chicago Sinfonietta intends to build partnerships that foster genuine collaboration to create performances, classes, volunteer opportunities, and more. CPP utilizes Chicago Sinfonietta personnel alongside South Side and West Side community partners to create unique opportunities for engagement and support. Free to the public, CPP focuses on investing cultural capital into the production of existing local culture through co-curating initiatives.

## CPP offers the following programming:

**COMMUNITY EVENTS** feature Chicago Sinfonietta performances and collaborations with local artists. The events we've participated in include farmer's markets, block parties and festivals.

**MASTER CLASS** is an online performance under the direction of Chicago Sinfonietta's Artist-In-Residence and Freeman Fellows (formerly known as Project Inclusion Fellows).

**RESIDENTS ORCHESTRATE PROJECT** is a program partnership for emerging and mid-career Chicago artists offering the opportunity to produce collaborative performances with Chicago Sinfonietta Orchestra Members.

**MUSIC MADE CLASSIC** is a series of Chicago Sinfonietta performances and classical music lectures throughout the school year in partnership with the Chicago Public Library Back of the Yards location.

**MELODIC LOUNGE** is a café performance series inspired by Maestro Paul Freeman's early concerts hosted over coffee in his friends' living rooms to foster artistry and connection through music.

**HEALTH & WELLNESS CLINICS & WORKSHOPS** offer online professional services sourced by local health and wellness practitioners with music performances by Chicago Sinfonietta orchestra members. These programs are co-designed to foster civic learning and social equity in communities through resource and information sharing.

The RASA Project (The Rehabilitation and Student Achievement), presented by the Chicago Sinfonietta, focuses on interactive edutainment, holistic healing, and intellectual growth for youth in carceral systems. This program encourages healthy engagement through relationship building and circle keeping with a focus in community health and sustainable programming to aid in mental focus and facilitate rest and restoration. Programming will feature a book club on culture and history for youth empowerment, health and wellness practices, mind-body exercises, and music lessons.

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