

# Evergreen Community Orchestra (ECO)

A 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, incorporated in the State of Washington Oct. 10, 2014

## Welcome New Member!

Hopefully this info sheet will help you find what you need. If you have any questions, please feel free to seek out a Board Member or the Executive Director (listed below).

### Mission Statement

**ECO welcomes musicians of all backgrounds to come together  
for the love of playing and the benefit of the community.**

### Our Conductors:

#### Principal Concert Conductor:

##### Marcin Pačkowski, PhD

(pronounced Mar'-chin Ponch-kov'-ski). Marcin is a composer, conductor, and digital artist, working with both traditional and electronic media, who has waved his magical baton for ECO since 2014. Marcin received his PhD from the Center for Digital Arts and Experimental Media (DXARTS) at UW and received masters' degrees from both the Academy of Music in Kraków, Poland (composition and conducting) and UW (composition).

#### Rehearsal Conductor:

##### Nse' Ekpo, DMA

Nse' (EN-say) enjoys a varied career as a performer, educator, and content creator. He's currently the Concert Band Director at Lakeside School in Seattle and conducts the Issaquah Philharmonic Orchestra.

### Our 2022 - 2023 Board of Directors:

**President:** Roy Wenzel (*Community member*)

**Vice-President:** Mark Wick (*Trumpet*)

**Treasurer:** Chris Hartzog (*Bass*)

**Recording Secretary:** Karen Wenzel (*Viola*)

**Library:** Don Wilson (*French horn*)

**Publicity:** Chris Glans (*Trumpet*)

**Members-at-Large:** Beth Vickery (*Violin*)  
Doreen Hamilton (*French horn*)

**Executive Director:** Gwen Parker (*Clarinet*)  
[execdirector@evergreencommunityorchestra.org](mailto:execdirector@evergreencommunityorchestra.org)



### Rehearsal Info

**Tuesdays, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm**  
**Our Savior Lutheran Church**  
**215 W. Mukilteo Blvd., Everett, WA 98203**  
(Always check ECO's website for the most up-to-date rehearsal information.)

**Absence:** If you need to miss a rehearsal, please let us know: [evergreencommunityorchestra@gmail.com](mailto:evergreencommunityorchestra@gmail.com)

**Please plan to be in your seat, warmed up and ready to tune before 6:00.**

If work, traffic, etc., makes this difficult, please let us know when to expect you.

**Talking:** Please refrain from talking during rehearsal time. Even whispered conversations can be distracting to players and the conductor.

**Cell Phones:** Please silence them during rehearsal.

**Music:** Because members have varying skill levels, we strive to include pieces that will challenge more advanced players as well as pieces more suited to less skilled players. Not an easy task!

**Please note:** ECO does not designate principals in sections. Orchestra parts are to be distributed among section members equitably.

If you have musical questions about your part, please contact Marcin:  
[musicdirector@evergreencommunityorchestra.org](mailto:musicdirector@evergreencommunityorchestra.org)

**Home Page:**

- Next concert details
- Rehearsal Information (time, place, conductor)
- Past concert photos and videos

**Support ECO Page:**

- Ways to support ECO and/or pay dues electronically
- Annual Report and Financial Statement
- IRS 501(c)(3) determination letter

**Musician's Page:**

- A place to request parts for pieces
- Links to audio files of current repertoire pieces.
- Concert Info: Call times, dress code,
- ECO Bylaws

**About Dues**

*Between 35 - 50% of ECO's annual income comes from member dues and member donations.*

*ECO's dues of \$20 monthly cover direct program costs including conductor pay, purchase of sheet music, rent payments and administrative expenses such as insurance, accounting, and website fees. Want an easy way to pay? Use PayPal for automatic payments. Scan this QR code → or go to [www.evergreencommunityorchestra.org/musicians.html](http://www.evergreencommunityorchestra.org/musicians.html) and subscribe to \$20 USD - monthly.*



*If you prefer to pay by mail, please send your check to: ECO, P.O. Box 2812, Everett, WA 98213.*

**ECO does not turn anyone away because of finances!** Please contact Chris Hartzog (Treasurer/bass) to request a dues waiver if needed: [treasurer@evergreencommunityorchestra.org](mailto:treasurer@evergreencommunityorchestra.org). These requests are kept confidential.

*If interested in providing additional support to ECO, please consider making a one-time donation or adding a monthly donation amount in addition to your dues subscription. Donations are tax-deductible. ECO's tax ID# is 30-0844072.*

**Other Ways to help the Orchestra!**

- **Amazon Smile:** Bookmark [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and select Evergreen Community Orchestra as your charity of choice! We will get a small donation from Amazon for every purchase!
- **Fred Meyer Rewards:** Log in to your Fred Meyer account online and set ECO (# 87226) as your Community Rewards recipient! Then just shop at Fred Meyer!
- **Employer Matching Funds:** Many corporations have programs to match donations. Check to see if your employer has a similar program!
- **Thrivent Donor-Advised Funds:** ECO is eligible to receive donations through Thrivent Funds. If you're a Thrivent member, you may designate ECO to receive funds from Thrivent each year.
- **Season Sponsorship:** If you have your own business, please consider becoming a season sponsor! Sponsorships start at \$100. Sponsors are listed on our website, in our annual report and on concert programs.
- **Social Media:** Link to and promote ECO on your social media accounts. Facebook, Twitter, Nextdoor, etc.