

**SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**Santa Monica High School Chamber Orchestra
Announces Tour to Boston in Spring 2025**

The nationally recognized, award-winning Santa Monica High School (Samohi) Orchestra Program is excited to announce that its Chamber Orchestra will tour Boston in Spring 2025. The Chamber Orchestra, which represents the top string musicians from a program of over 300 students across seven orchestras, will perform at Boston Symphony Hall and participate in a master class with Charles Peltz of the New England Conservatory. Additionally, students will attend a Boston Symphony Orchestra performance conducted by Edwin Outwater, a Samohi graduate, and tour local universities.



Samohi's Chamber Orchestra is a classical ensemble with an expansive repertoire, and in addition to performing concerts, festivals, and community events throughout the school year, is available for hire throughout Southern California for events of any size. Funds raised through Chamber Orchestra bookings help to support these remarkable touring opportunities. With the booking of the Samohi Chamber orchestra, a donation to Santa Monica Arts Parents Association (SMAPA) is made in support of the program. SMAPA is a registered 501(c)(3).

Under the direction of Jason Aiello, the Chamber Orchestra is available for private parties, corporate events, fundraisers, films, recording, weddings and more.



“The Chamber Orchestra is a group of dedicated, pre-professional musicians with great experience performing in many styles and settings,” said Aiello. “They are committed to their craft, elegant and poised, and love performing together.”

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District prioritizes music education, providing instruments and instruction to all interested students starting in fourth grade. Samohi's top orchestras have performed in prestigious venues across the United States and around the world. Established in 1903, the program is entering its 121st season this fall and is

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recognized as one of the nation's leading programs.

To learn more about the Samohi Orchestras, make a donation, or inquire about hiring the Chamber Orchestra for an event, visit www.samohiorchestras.org/chamber.

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