



## From Concert to Classroom: Using the ASO *Concerts For Kids* Experience as a Learning Tool

The Akron Symphony Orchestra (ASO) offers a unique professional development opportunity (for educators of children Preschool through Grade 2) designed to enhance the annual *Concerts For Kids* experience. In this four-session professional development module, participants will explore, through hands-on activities, small group work, and multi-media presentations, the benefits of symphonic musical experiences on brain development, learning, and socialization. This 10-hour module is approved for **Step Up To Quality** and **Ohio Department of Education** professional development credit. Continuing Education Unit (CEU) credit is available for an additional \$10 fee.

### **A G E N D A**

#### **Session I: Saturday, March 19, 9 AM – 1 PM**

##### **MUSIC AND THE MIND**

Ground breaking research on the influence of music on brain development and learning!

Conductor Levi Hammer and members of the ASO introduce participants to the orchestra and the complexity of symphonic music.

#### **Session II: Saturday, April 9, 9 AM -12 PM**

Pt. 1 – THE SCIENCE OF SOUND: Hands-on exploration of how sound is produced.

Pt. 2 – MUSIC AS STORY: Magical Theatre Co. cast members demonstrate music as story and how to integrate music and the concert event into dramatic play experiences.

#### **Session III: May 3 – 13 (concert dates/locations available at: [akronsymphony.org/concerts-for-kids](http://akronsymphony.org/concerts-for-kids))**

**THE CONCERT:** Participants, with the children in their classrooms, attend one of the ASO *Concert for Kids*. **PD credit will not be given unless participants complete this component.**

#### **Session IV: Saturday, June 4, 9:30-11:30 AM**

**THE GALLERY WALK:** Making learning visible through documentation, dialogue, and reflection.

For details about the session content, contact Barb White at (330) 643-9082 or email at: [bwhite@akronlibrary.org](mailto:bwhite@akronlibrary.org)

Where: Steinway Hall

715 E Buchtel Avenue, Akron OH 44305

Fees: \$30 for the 3 workshop sessions

Concerts For Kids: \$5.00 per ticket (adults and children)

For Concerts For Kids tickets, contact Sharon Smith at the Akron Symphony ticket office.

Phone: (330) 535-8131 x-23 | Email: [ssmith@akronsymphony.org](mailto:ssmith@akronsymphony.org)

**Registration deadline is Friday, March 4, 2011. Space is limited. Register EARLY!**



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Registration Form (detach and mail with payment)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Center/School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Registration is easy!!**

1. Complete registration form and detach
2. Make check for \$30 payable to **Akron Symphony Orchestra**
3. Mail registration and payment to the Akron Symphony Office, 17 N Broadway, Akron OH 44308  
Attn: Orzella Matherson.
4. Contact Sharon Smith for concert tickets (see above)