# **Inland Empire Valley Flute Society**

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**Rod Terrell, Editor** 

### Member Newsletter

A newsletter for flute players, other music groups, & business members. Your contributions to the newsletter are always welcome. To contribute content, or to subscribe to our newsletter, please email to IEVFluteSociety@gmail.com



President's Corner JUSTIN CHALK—PRESIDENT

### **Our Mission**

To inspire flutists of all ages and abilities, and to support each other in our endeavors to learn, improve our playing, and enjoy the flute.

Greetings!

I'm happy and excited to announce the return of the Inland Empire Valley Flute Society's Bi-Annual Flute Choir Festival! Please mark your calendars for 22 October, 2023. The Festival will take place at:

Victoria Seventh Day Adventist Church 1860 S. Mountain View Ave, Loma Linda, CA 92354 Time: 3PM to 5PM

Calling all Southern California solo flute players, duos, trios, quartets, choirs, ensembles (including wind ensembles)! Calling all piccolo players, concert flute players, and harmony flute players! Calling anyone who plays an instrument that looks and sounds like a flute! We want you! We would love for as many of you that are able to come and join us for what is sure to be loads of fun and flute! Please contact us if you are interested in performing as a featured act during the Festival—every skill level is invited and appreciated!

For IEFVS members, there is no cost to participate, however, for non-IEVFS members and groups, we're asking a \$25 fee to help cover the facility cost, with any leftover monies going to our annual Flute Scholarship fund. We will also have a group reading session that everyone is welcome to participate in. Please let us know if you are interested in the group reading session, and which instrument you're interested in playing, so we can have enough sheet music available. Please bring your own music

### OUR SEPTEMBER MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup>, at 4:45pm. Please contact Events Coordinator Jackie Aronowitz at <u>Jackie aronowitz@yahoo.com</u> if you are attending Live or on Zoom (the Zoom Link will be sent out the morning of the meeting).

This event will be a **potluck**, so bring your favorite dish to share.

### **IEVFS** Calendar

September 24, 2023 - 4:45 p.m. Member meeting

October 22 2023 - 3:00 p.m. Flute Choir Festival

December 9, 2023 - 4:45 p.m. Nov./Dec. Meetings (combined)

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stands (and lights if needed), as we will have a limited number available.

If you are interested in coming just to observe the festivities, we want you too!

We want as many people who would like, and are available, to attend. The more the merrier, so please invite your friends and family members! The concert is free to IEVFS members, with a \$5.00 suggested donation for non-members. Kids 10 and under are free.

Our next IEVFS monthly meeting will be held on 24 September, 2023, at 4:45PM (Pacific), in-person and in Zoom format. Please check out the Society's website (www.ievflutesociety.com), as well as our Facebook page for more information on us, our members, and upcoming events!

Justin Chalk

## Featured Member — Diana Irving



Diana Irving has been a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in the State of California since 1984, although she grew up in the Midwest (St. Louis area). She worked professionally as a mental health therapist in various roles in Riverside-San Bernardino County areas, finally retiring at the end of February 2023 from Clinical Director for PRISM Family Counseling.

Diana has played flute since elementary school (she added piccolo in 2012; added alto flute in 2022) and been involved with music at various levels including school and church bands/ orchestra, directing choirs, playing solos/other arrangements in churches, weddings, and

other special events. She founded the *Festivo* instrumental trio in 2021. *Festivo* has performed in various community settings and preparing to play for weddings and other special events around the IE. Diana joined Silver Sounds Flute Ensemble in late February 2023. She has had at least six of her flute duets or trio arrangements published in Flutetunes and played for Bach in the Subway each year from 2014-2017 at the LA Union Station (some pieces solo, some pieces with daughter or granddaughter who also have played flute).



# "The Festivo Ensemble"

In our August Meeting We were treated to a performance by "The Festivo Ensemble" a group that it is founded by **Diana Irving,** who is also a current member of the "Silver Sounds Flute Ensemble".

Their music was such a pleasure and enjoyed by all!

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# IEVFS Minutes, August 27, 2023



Minutes kept by Dana Armstrong

The meeting was held in person and via ZOOM. The meeting was called to order at approximately 4:55 p.m. Members in Attendance in person: Jackie Aronowitz, Dana Armstrong, Diana Irving, Aida Rodriguez, Rod Terrell, Heidi Knight Members attending via ZOOM: Justin Chalk, Guests: Lance Alloway and Carrie Sudweeks

Topic/Speaker: The Festivo Ensemble performed. Members of the Festivo Ensemble include Lance Alloway, Carrie Sudweeks, and Diana Irving. The group performed a selection of trios for flute (including alto) and several other pieces that included guitar, drum, and vocals. They have other pieces (which they did not perform during meeting) that use piccolo, Irish penny whistle, and oboe. The group was formed in June 2021. They rehearse several times per month and perform at various events and locations around the Inland Empire area. For more information about the Festivo Ensemble, please contact Diana Irving at 951-282-8602 or <u>desertflutevibe54@gmail.com</u>.

<u>Minutes</u>: Jackie moved and Diana seconded that the June 2023 minutes be approved. All present voted in favor. Minutes were approved.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Dana reported that there is \$1,215.76 in the IEVFS checking account. Expenses have increased due to the scholarship cost of \$100 per month. There are 17 members. Renewals will be sent out to eight members.

<u>Website</u>: Jackie had comments and suggestions regarding the website—would like it to be more engaging and have activities/events be more of focus, rather than "mission statement." Asked if it could highlight events more—higher up on page. Suggested including description of topics and links in the "meeting/calendar" section and would also like to include past events in the calendar. There is also a typo for Nov/Dec meeting listing. Suggested to list the start time for meetings to 4:45 p.m., rather than 4:30 p.m. Also need to list the upcoming Flute Choir Festival on October 22. Dana said she would contact Smart Access, IT regarding information updates as well as "big picture" design issues.

**Newsletter:** Rod has agreed to coordinate the newsletter. Justin has emailed Jackie the new President's Corner message. Jackie will forward to Rod to include in newsletter. Going forward, President's Corner message can be sent to Rod directly.

**Editor:** Discussion of having Rod take over the Editor position. Editor is an elected position, so we need to vote. Jackie moved and Diana seconded that Rod be elected to the Editor position. All present voted in favor. Dana will follow up with Smart Access IT to update the website.

#### Historian: N/A

#### New Business:

#### Continuing Business: Flute Choir Festival on October 22:

·Jackie contacted Victoria 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Church in Loma Linda and they said we may use the facility from 2-5 p.m. The cost is \$200, but they may accept \$100. Jackie asked Dana to contact Joan Webb from VSDA Church to finalize. Set up from 2-3, and event to start at 3:00 p.m. Need to find groups to participate. Dana will reach out to Fridays at Four Ensemble. Jackie will make inquiries also. Discussion of vendors to bring flutes? · No cost to participate for IEVFS members. The cost for non-IEVFS groups would be \$25. Funds will help off-set the cost of venue and extra to scholarship fund. Since the cost of Ensemble Membership is only \$30, hopefully, we can get groups to join IEVFS.

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<u>Outreach</u>: Dana will ask friend Susan to update the flier. Dana will send the press release out. Will wait on press release until we have confirmed what groups will be participating. Also need FB event.

<u>**Tickets:</u>** IEVFS members will receive a complementary ticket for audience members. Additional tickets available for suggested \$5.00 donation to help off-set cost of venue/scholarship fund.</u>

Fund Raising: Pampered Chef fundraiser will go through 8/31. Looks like we will raise about \$150 from the fundraiser.

#### Future Events:

Membership Recital: Spring 2024, date TBD

Young Artists Competition: On hold.

Topics for upcoming meetings: Jackie has contacted Dean McDowell from Desert Winds Freedom Band as guest speaker. Dana to contact scholarship recipient Genesis Rodela re: scheduling a time to perform for IEVFS meeting and let her know about membership recital in spring 2024.

Next Meeting: September 24, 2023, at 4:45 p.m. The meeting will be held via ZOOM and in person.

#### Upcoming Meeting/Event Dates for 2023:

Sept 24—Meeting at 4:45 p.m.; Oct 22—Flute Choir Festival at 3:00 p.m. in Loma Linda; Nov/Dec meeting will be combined into one meeting on December 10.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:45 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Dana Armstrong.

Respectfully Submitted, September 9, 2023

### Editor's Corner

#### Rod Terrell, Editor

Hello Everyone! I have currently taken over as Newsletter Editor, and I believe the newsletter will be an important connection between IEVFS members. The newsletter will change each month, and I hope to add more and more to it. I would like to ask that you email me personally to add to it. Everyone is welcome to add news and I will try to include as much as possible. Our thanks to Cindy Poore for her wonderful newsletter layout and design assistance! She's the one who makes the newsletter look great!

IEVFS would like to connect our local flute community together through the spirit of sharing information, teaching each other, and supporting each other.

We would like to encourage everyone to attend our monthly meetings, either live in Redlands CA or Virtually on Zoom. We will try to keep providing interesting topics, and of course, we have some business to handle and want you all to be a part of that.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting on Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:45pm.

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## **Concert Corner**

IEVFS Ensemble, Teacher, Business, and Individual Members can post upcoming performances in this column. If you have any events you want published, please email information to Newsletter Editor Rod



Terrell at Rodterrell555@gmail.com with the subject line of: IEVFS Newsletter.

FLUTE CHOIR FESTIVAL: Sunday, October 22 at 3:00 p.m. Victoria Seventh Day Adventist Church, 1860 Mountain View Ave, Loma Linda, CA 92354 Suggested Donation \$5.00. All proceeds go to cover expense of venue and IEVFS Scholarship Fund. If your ensemble is interested in performing, please contact Events Coordinator Jackie Aronowitz at <u>jackie\_aronowitz@yahoo.com</u> as soon as possible.

THE NOTTINGHAM PLAYERS ENSEMBLE: Sunday, September 24, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. Trinity Episcopal Church, 419 S. Fourth St., Redlands. The Nottingham Players quartet features Margaret Winter on flute, Irmengard Jennings on piano, Becky Long on cello, and IEVFS Teacher Member Victoria Batta on flute. For this concert, a trio of friends will join the group in some pieces--Renata Quijada-violin and vocals; Gary Long and Julio Batta--percussion.

### Instruments available For Sale from our Members:



Armstrong Student Piccolo model 307. ABS resin body, silver plated mechanism and head joint composite. \$350 Refurbished by Justin Chalk. Please contact Jackie Aronowitz at <u>Jackie\_aronowitz@yahoo.com</u> to try it out.

If you would like to post an instrument you are selling, please send a description, photo, and contact information to Newsletter Editor Rod Terrell at Rodterrell555@gmail.com



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