

ALTICE USA SUPPORTS THE NORWALK YOUTH SYMPHONY (NYS)

Altice Connects Donation Will Help Support Scholarships for Underserved Youth from Norwalk and its Surrounding Communities



Altice USA's **Jennifer Young** (back row, second from left) attended a Norwalk Youth Symphony concert rehearsal at the Norwalk Concert Hall at City Hall in Norwalk, CT, and was joined by NYS Executive Director **Sara Watkins** (back row, far left), Senate Majority Leader **Bob Duff** (back row, far right) and talented student musicians from the orchestra.

May 12, 2017 -- Altice USA today announces that through its Altice Connects community initiative it has donated \$4,000 to the Norwalk Youth Symphony (NYS) in support of fostering an appreciation of the arts for talented young musicians in Norwalk and other Fairfield County, Connecticut communities.

Altice representative Jennifer Young attended a recent NYS Mother's Day Concert rehearsal at the Norwalk Concert Hall at City Hall to meet with several NYS students. Joining her were Senate Majority Leader Bob Duff and NYS Executive Director Sara Watkins.

"By enabling young musicians to learn about and appreciate classical music, the Norwalk Youth Symphony plays an important role in enriching the lives of children in our communities," said Senate Majority Leader Bob Duff. "Altice USA's contributions toward student scholarships will benefit even more of these budding musicians by providing them with access to this inspiring music program."

"Altice USA believes that with an appreciation of the arts comes an affinity for creativity, collaboration and critical thinking, all of which are skills we, as an innovative company, use every day," said Lee Schroeder, senior vice president, government and community affairs, Altice USA. "That philosophy, together with our commitment to support the communities we serve, make Norwalk Youth Symphony a great partner for us."

The donation will directly support the NYS Scholarship Program and help fund its "need-blind" admissions policy, enabling NYS to benefit even more talented, young and underserved musicians throughout Fairfield, Litchfield, New Haven and Westchester counties. Of NYS's approximately 260 qualified student musicians, comprised of students in grades four through 12, more than 20 will receive financial assistance, giving them the opportunity to learn about and appreciate classical music in a supportive environment.

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Now celebrating its 61st year, the NYS trains talented, young musicians in classical music who perform in three concerts a year at the Norwalk Concert Hall as well as at Carnegie Hall, Tanglewood and international performance venues. The classically trained students present major musical selections from composers, such as Beethoven, Copland, Mozart and Dvorak, among others.

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