

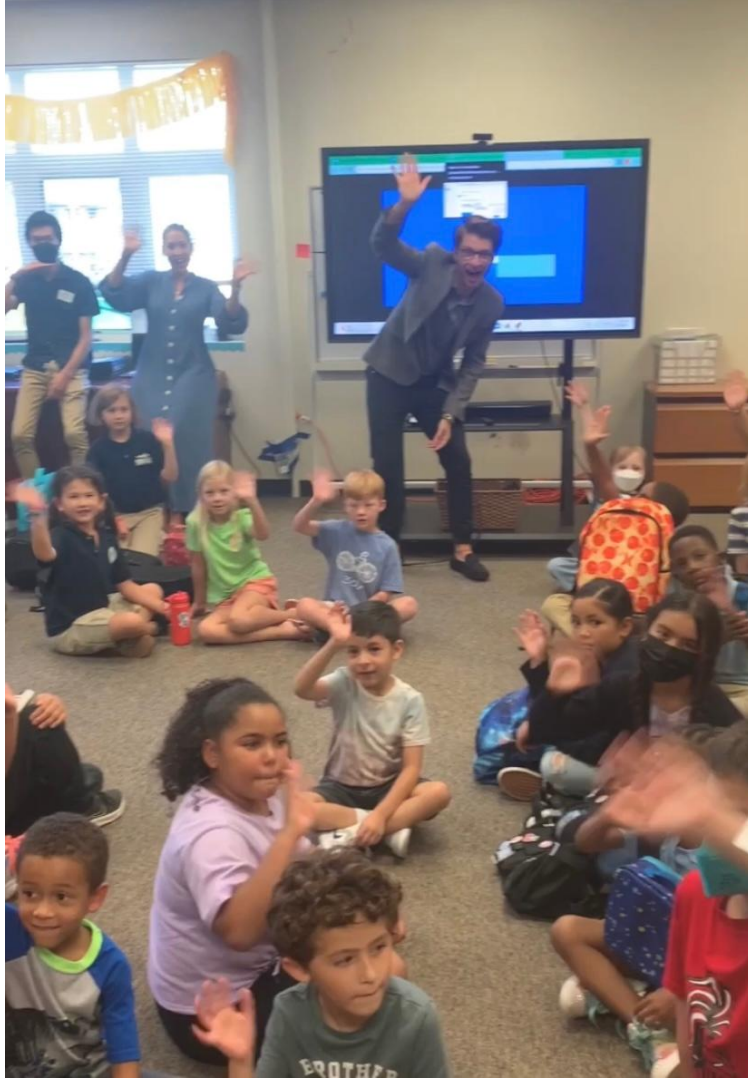
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SHARING NOTES



Back to School Fun!

This year, we welcome 200 students at El Sistema Colorado for Fall Programming!



"Watching our El Sistema Colorado family grow and seeing the teaching team in action has brought me great joy in the last couple of weeks. We're well on our way to another fabulous year of community, inspiration, and music-making. *iTocar y luchar!*" Johnny, our Program Director





Introducing Amanda!
Our new Teaching Artist from New York!



Filipino-American, Amanda Laborete is a cellist, yogi and animal lover eager to explore how stories and music connect us and illuminate our humanity. She enjoys a diverse musical career as an orchestral player, chamber musician and teacher.

Ms. Laborete holds a Bachelors of Music from Eastman School of Music and a Masters of Music from Manhattan School of Music. She is also a recipient of the Glenn and Frances Harris Cello Prize. Amanda's principal teachers are Julia Lichten, Astrid Schween, and Alan Harris.

As a teacher, Amanda has served as chamber coach and cello teacher for San Diego State Summer Music Institute, Hochstein School of Music, ROCmusic, Harlem School of the Arts in Manhattan and is currently on faculty at El Sistema Colorado and maintains a private studio at Luther Strings. She has performed with Colorado Symphony Orchestra, Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra, Syracuse Symphoria, San Diego Symphony and the Albany Symphony Orchestra.

As an active proponent of Filipino representation and visibility in classical music, Amanda was invited to join the roster as a young artist for Filipino American Music Foundation. Additionally, she performs frequently with Groupmuse in an effort to make classical music more accessible across all audiences.

In her free time, she enjoys hiking with her dog, Arlo, yoga, and eating delicious food with friends.

El Sistema Colorado was this month's featured nonprofit at Improper City!

During the month of September, we organized two fundraisers at Improper City. We set up a game of Corn Hole created by Johnny with two double basses on both occasions. On the first night, there was live music from the duo Solazur featuring Katie Burns, one of our Teaching Artists. On the second night, ESC staff Johnny Szumski and Florence Mercat performed a few songs on the guitar! Both nights were a success, a great opportunity to exchange about our mission and to encourage people to donate!





Nixon Garcia's Visit

Nixon Garcia is a Venezuelan conductor who recently moved to Denver, Colorado. He had his musical beginnings at 4 years old with El Sistema Venezuela. His visit was an amazing surprise for El Sistema Colorado. It was fascinating to learn about his relationship to the movement and about the impact of El Sistema in Venezuela.



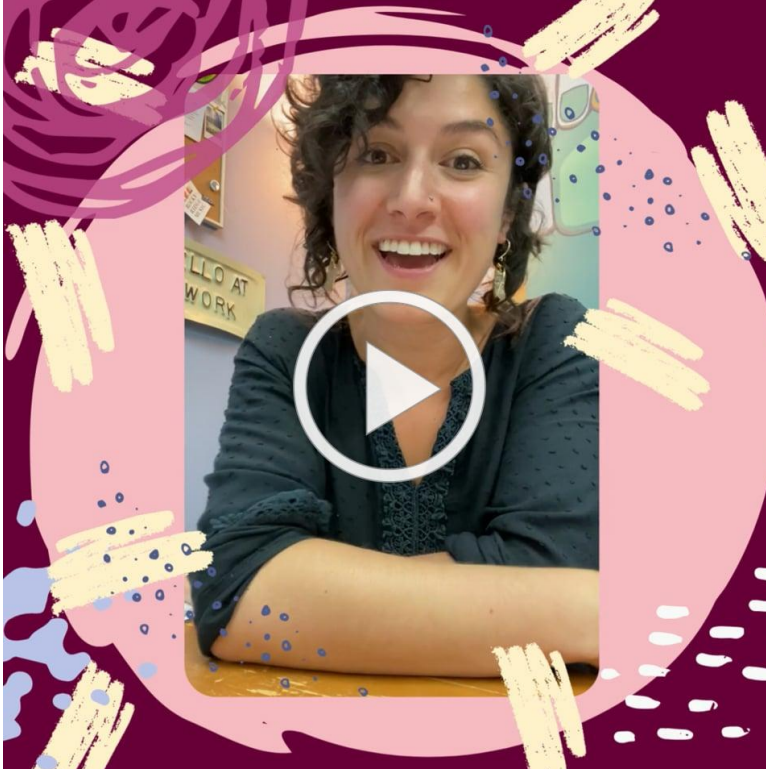
"My name is Nixon Garcia, I am a Venezuelan musician who started in El Sistema Venezuela. My main instruments are the Venezuelan cuatro, the guitar and the clarinet. I love conducting orchestras and I have dedicated myself to study it since I was 14 years old. I have had excellent teachers who taught me more than conducting, they taught me how the orchestra system was founded by maestro Jose Antonio Abreu, among these teachers were: Wilson Clavijo (expert in Venezuelan string instruments), Jhon Peralta (orchestral academic director of tachira state Venezuela), Ramon Moncada (director educational center musical attitude), Miguel Angel monrroy (professor of orchestral conducting in Germany and master in conducting in Switzerland); El Sistema has taught me the true meaning of the phrase "To Play and to fight" said by our founder; I have had the opportunity to be with various orchestras of many sizes and ages, all with different characteristics that made them unique, and with which I learned that each orchestra always leave you a great teaching."





A message from our Strings Pedagogy Specialist, Katie Burns!

Click the link below to watch a special message from Katie about the start of Fall Programming!



OUR MISSION

El Sistema Colorado harnesses the joy of music and ignites the potential in our future leaders through an immersive youth music education program that transcends socioeconomic barriers.

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