

**INTERGENERATIONAL ORCHESTRA
OF
AMERICA**
Palm Beach County

PRESS RELEASE

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Orchestra Tunes Up for New Season

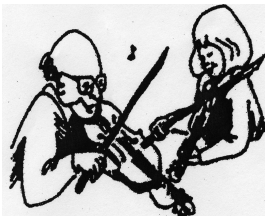
Boca Raton, Florida –On August 17, 2006 at 7:00 p.m., the Florida Intergenerational Orchestra of America (FLIOA) will start their new season of performances and rehearsals at Spanish River High School, located at the corner of Jog and Yamato Roads. On that night, the Orchestra will host an Open House and Registration. Musicians of all ages are invited to bring their instruments and join us for an evening of meeting new friends and making great music. No auditions are required to join the Orchestra. Everyone is welcomed.

The FLIOA's mission is to bridge the generations with music and performance through mentorship. Our wonderful mix of amateurs, professionals, beginners, and experts – young and old – encourages, nurtures and promotes closer relationships between the generations.

This season the orchestra will be performing their exciting 2006-2007 concert series in the following venues; Town Center Mall in Boca Raton, The Boca Raton Museum of Art, Woodfield Country Club and various community functions.

We encourage you to join us August 17 as the first step in becoming a member of the FLIOA. All rehearsals are held on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.. Additional questions should be directed to Lorraine **Marks founder/conductor** at 561-995-0950 or strings4all@aol.com.

Founder and conductor Lorraine Marks, uses music as a universal language. The idea for this orchestra blossomed after Lorraine gave her father, who was a recent widower, a gift of cello lessons to help ease his grief. She also reflected back to her early childhood experience of having the opportunity to play the viola with her teacher in his quartet comprised of retired musicians. They became her mentors in the field of music performance and education. Ms Marks is also the



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founder of the New Jersey Intergenerational Orchestra which has won numerous awards and recognition in the media including CBS, NBC and several magazines including Family Circle Magazine. She has received awards for her work and performances through the United Nations Committee on Aging. Ms. Marks has 20 years of teaching experience and education in music therapy. She is available as a speaker to community organizations on the topic “Healthy Aging through Music”.

Please visit our website at flioa.org for further information.

The FLIOA is a non-profit 501c(3) organization that bridges the generations with music.

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MEDIA NOTE: We would be happy to have you at a rehearsal for a closer look at the group. Please contact Ms. Marks at (561) 995-0950, at your convenience.