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Solar Winds



Solar Winds brings music of the highest quality to schools and concert halls throughout the Boston area. This truly versatile ensemble can meet the demands of knowledgeable music-lovers on Saturday evening and charm a roomful of children the following afternoon!

The five musicians who comprise the heart of Solar Winds, a traditional woodwind quintet, are professionally trained instrumentalists and music educators. Their repertoire includes the most demanding compositions of the modern era as well as the classics, arrangements, and novelty pieces that make a woodwind quintet concert such an unusual and delightful musical experience. With the addition of piano, Solar Winds becomes an even more flexible ensemble.

The Solar Winds are:
Jill Dreeben, flute
Charlyn Bethell, oboe
Mark Margolies, clarinet
Dan Shaud, horn
Neil Fairbairn, bassoon

Solar Winds offers music lovers of all ages and expectations the excitement of live music expertly performed.

The Solar Winds Family Concerts are an ideal way to introduce children to the joy and excitement of live classical performances. These festive programs combine music, story telling, sing-alongs and musical games in a fun and informal concert setting. Every member of the family will find something to spark the imagination.



Joined by narrator Victor Cockburn, one of Boston's premier children's entertainers, Solar Winds has captivated young audiences with family programs presented in concert halls, schools, religious institutions and other venues throughout New England since 1999. The centerpiece of each concert is a full musical story with narration, such as Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf" or John Kusiak's "The Fool of the World and the Flying Ship." Programs also feature amusing and informative introductions to each of the instruments of the woodwind quintet, songs and sing-alongs with Victor Cockburn, interactive musical games showing how music is composed and arranged and how the musicians interact with each other, as well as performances of familiar tunes and music of the great composers.