# Redefiniendo una Orquesta: La historia de #DSOLive

Scott Harrison Orquesta Sinfónica de Detroit Detroit Symphony Orchestra (DSO)

# A Vibrant DSO / A Bright Future

Pursuing new heights of artistic excellence

Re-investing in our community

Embracing digital opportunities





# Changing, Challenging Environment

- A city and a population in economic distress
- Traditional sources of revenue in decline
- Unsustainable expenses and internal strife
- A new reality that required new ideas





# The Challenge

#### Could we become

# the most accessible orchestra on the planet?









NOW PLAYING Encore Presentation: Mahler Symphony No. 4



SCHEDULE

**NOW PLAYING** 

#DSOLive

Encore Presentation: Mahler Symphony No. 4

Artists LEONARD SLATKIN, conductor ILANA DAVIDSON, soprano Program Notes - Live

We hope you enjoy this #DSOLive encore of Mahler's Symphony No. 4!

# DSO audience watching online video

**76%** 

**2011**DSO Audience Survey

91%

**2014**DSO Audience Survey





# DSO audience using social media

62%

**2011**DSO Audience Survey

**77%** 

2014
DSO Audience Survey







#### I. Webcasts

# **Leadership Support**





# Mandell and Madeleine Berman Foundation





# Watch and discover

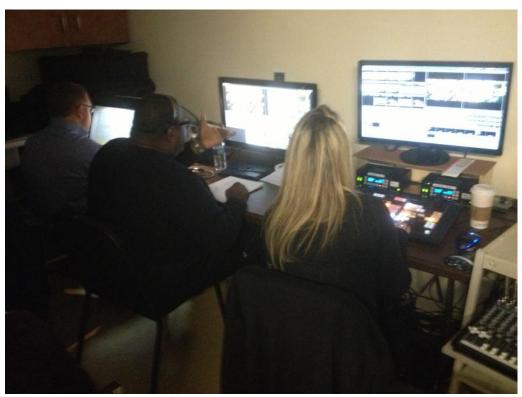


# youtube.com/detroitsymphony dso.org/live





# The good ol' days (2011)





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# "Say hello to my little friend" (2014)







#### **#DSOLive Stats**

- 600,000 cumulative viewers
- 100 + countries
  - Spain 9<sup>th</sup> in viewership and 6<sup>th</sup> in Facebook fans
- 15,000 "subscribers"
- 2 seven-figure capital gifts





#### **Our Brand**

La orquesta más accesible en el planeta

L'orchestre le plus accessible sur la planète

A orquestra mais acessível no planeta

Die am leichtesten zugängliche Orchester auf dem Planeten

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The most accessible orchestra on the planet





# **Living the Brand**

- Live is always free
- No sign-in required
- Real-time social
- Device portability
- Multiple viewing channels
- Content and tone on stage and behind-the-scenes





# **Our Calling Card**

# The New York Times





Los Angeles Times







# The Question on Everyone's Mind

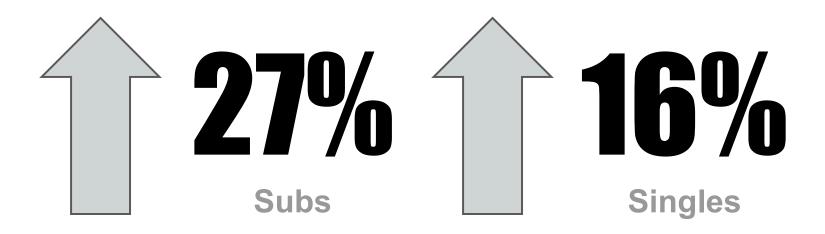
# Do webcasts hurt ticket sales?







# **Audience Growth since 2011**







## **Donor Household Growth since 2011**

~4500 2011

~10,000









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About the DSO Education

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Classroom Edition webcasts supported by the Mandell and Madeleine Berman Foundation









Next Webcast Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 10:30 am EST

Join the Detroit Symphony Orchestra on a musical road trip across the United States on our first ever Classroom Edition education webcast! We will present back-to-back live streams of the 40-minute program at 10:30 am and 11:45 am EST (GMT-5).

# Live from Orchestra Hall: Classroom Edition

- Learning resources that meet state and national standards for music education
- Designed for students with engaging personalities and compelling content
- Immersive technology
- Making an impact in Detroit first . . .
   and then nationwide





# Live from Orchestra Hall: Classroom Edition

- 300 schools in Detroit registered
- 125 additional schools nationwide registered
- Total projection: 40,000 students
- America's Education Concert Provider







## II. Social

## **#DSOSelfie**

Step 1: Take a picture of yourself at a DSO event

Step 2: Post that picture to Facebook, Twitter or Instagram with **#DSOSelfie** 

Step 3: Win tickets!





# CONGRATS @syka\_delic



you won our April #DSOSelfie contest!!!



That's a lot of horn! #dsoselfie



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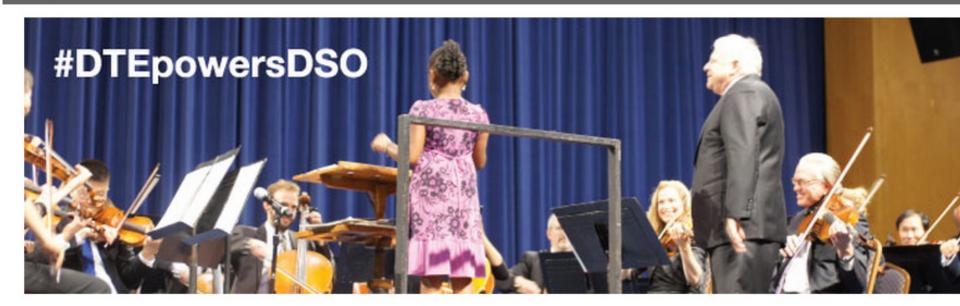
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SDSO | DTE ENERGY COMMUNITY WEEK



A week of free DSO Performances in Your Community, made possible by DTE Energy Foundation.

# **#DTEPowersDSO: Year 3 Goals**

- Deliver added value to a key corporate partner and exceed their expectations
- Merge accessibility in our community with accessibility online
- Create memorable experiences before, during and after each concert







## DTE Energy Foundation Powers FREE DSO Performances in Your Community!

#### 1. Nominate your Community Now!

#### Deadline Thursday, June 12, 2014 at noon EDT

Neighborhood venue, school, place of worship, or community center leaders...nominate your venue to host a free community concert this October by the DSO!

Send venue photos (exterior and interior), a compelling narrative about how a free DSO concert would impact your community (150 words or less), and up to four (4) letters of support representing diverse cross sections of the community (community/civic leaders, business leaders, students, community members at large) to <a href="mailto:dtepowersdso@dso.org">dtepowersdso@dso.org</a>.

#### Venue Requirements

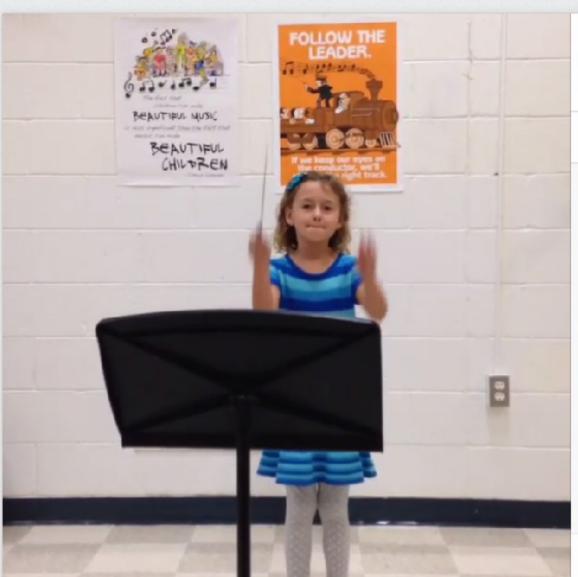
- Available to host a DSO concert October 1, 2, 3 or 5, 2014
- Within a 45-mile radius of Orchestra Hall (3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit).
- Appropriate to accommodate a full orchestra with a stage/performance area minimum 40' x 40'
- Fully accessible venue meeting all ADA requirements, including ample and convenient parking
- · Venue/facility donated for the free DSO community concert
- Audience capacity of 400+ and secured by the nominee
- · Ability to co-promote the event

#### 2. Show your Support - 6/18

Venue profiles will be posted on Wednesday, June 18. Support votes and comments from everyone in the community will be welcomed and seen by our #DTEpowersDSO review panel.

#### 3. Discover the winners - 7/1

After thorough review, four winning venues will be announced on Tuesday, July 1!





#### gcpsk12

Follow

2 months ago

Look at Andreana "auditioning" to conduct the DSO for #DTEpowersDSO at Memorial Elementary

detroitsymphony, solwatts, akimj0599 and 2 others like this.



#### gcpsk12

In Garden City



Leave a comment...



# Instagram

# Instagram





# **IKEA Flash Mob**







#### **Our Social Media Values**

- Strong and consistent online voice
- Content-based posts (No "Like-Bait")
- Cross-platform narratives
- Hashtags (#'s)
- Encouraging sharing everywhere and anywhere, even in the hall!
- Two-way relationships

Foster the Community Within!







# III. Web + Mobile

# Two Key Trends in Web

Customized experiences

The move to mobile





#### The Power of Data / CRM

# Technology helps us democratize personalized experiences







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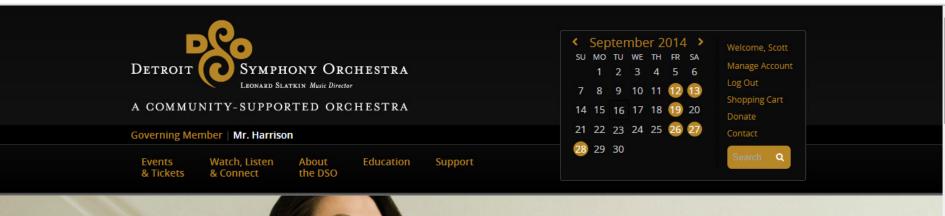
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Friday, October 10 at 10:45 am Saturday, October 11 at 8 pm Sunday, October 12 at 3 pm

# Mobile usage for cultural attendees (US)

66%

Smart Phone 2014

64%

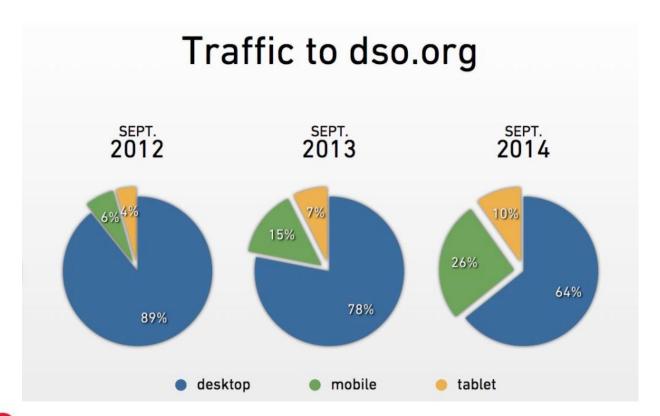
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2014 LaPlaca Cohen study





# **Growth in DSO's mobile traffic**







#### The Move to Mobile



- 50% of DSO email opens are via mobile
- As web traffic trends mobile, we're developing a mobile-first mindset





# Digital hits the road . . .









Last night we got one step closer to becoming the most accessible orchestra on the planet when Maestro Slatkin asked the audience to turn their cell phones ON and share their concert experience with family and friends!





# That's the #DSOLive story.

Muchas gracias. Obrigado. Merci. Danke. Dank u. Thank you.

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