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## HISTORICAL INFORMATION

The Mesabi Community Orchestra was established in 1977 by Jeanne Doty. Over the years the orchestra has continued to thrive and provide quality classical music to many communities on the Iron Range.



Our membership hails from Ely, Aurora, Gilbert, Eveleth, Mountain Iron, Virginia, Chisholm, and Hibbing. Our members range from advanced students to adults of all ages. Some members are high school trained and others are university trained. Traditionally, we perform three concerts per season. One is generally a classical concert, another we share with the East Range Choral Society and tends to be sacred in nature, and yet another is shared with the Mesabi Community Band, and is a pop/light classical concert.

## WHY WE NEED SUPPORT

For many years the Mesabi Range Community and Technical College has funded the orchestra, band and choir by paying the directors, purchasing music and equipment, maintaining instruments, paying guest artists, and providing rehearsal and performance space and secretarial support. Due to educational funding and policy changes, the MRCTC can no longer provide the financial support they once did. Revenue sources we currently have are concert ticket sales and member fees. These alone are not adequate sources to fund the operation of the orchestra.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

You can help us by making a tax-deductible donation. We have 501(c)(3) status. We have various levels of support for you to choose from. Simply fill out the next page, detach it and mail it along with a check to us.

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