

# New Delegate Orientation

2019 ROPA Conference

July 28, 2019

Boston, MA



# Welcome to ROPA!





# What is ROPA?

- ROPA is a players' conference of symphonic musicians within the American Federation of Musicians. It provides support services and training to over seven thousand musicians in 90 American orchestras. ROPA is a sister organization to the International Conference of Symphony and Opera Musicians (ICSOM), the Organization of Canadian Symphonic Musicians (OCSM), the Theater Musicians' Association (TMA), and the Recording Musicians' Association (RMA).

We welcome the following new member to their first conference:

- **Vermont Symphony Orchestra**

# What are the benefits of ROPA membership?

## Networking/Access

- Delegate Discussion Group
- General Discussion Group
- MAL groups
- Direct access to ROPA Board
- Orchestra-L
- Players Conference Counsel
- A seat at the national table
- Access to SSD

## Resources

- ROPA Website
- Conductor Evaluation Bank
- Wage Charts
- *The Leading Tone*
- Settlement Bulletins
- SSD Resource Center
- ROPA ERF
- Legal Advisory Service

## Annual Conference





# Duties of a ROPA Delegate

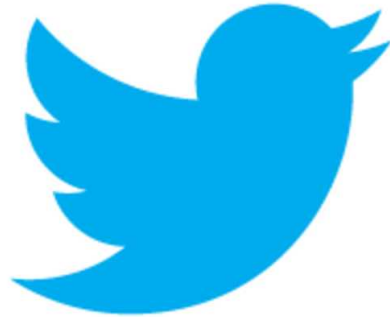
- COMMUNICATE!
  - Member-At-Large (MAL) is first line of defense
  - Use the delegate discussion list
- SHARE!
  - Distribute *Leading Tone*
  - Forward information to your orchestra
  - Social Media
- SUBMIT ANNUAL ROPA DUES
- PREPARE REPORTS
  - Settlement Bulletins
  - Conference Orchestra Reports
  - Wage Chart Entries
  - Conductor Evaluations
  - Submit articles for the *Leading Tone*
- ATTEND THE CONFERENCE
  - Learn
  - Share what you learn with your OC, your orchestra, and your Local

# ROPA is on Social Media!

Just search for Regional Orchestra Players' Association



Facebook



Twitter



Instagram

Instagram

- Like, Follow, Subscribe, and Share across all our channels!
- Use our hashtags to promote awareness of our awesome organization! #ROPAorchestras #ROPAmusicians



# ROPA Dues

Sean Diller, ROPA Treasurer

# ROPA Website and Settlement Bulletins

Karen Sandene, ROPA Secretary



# ROPA Wage Charts

Laurence Hoffman, SSD Contract Administrator

# Conductor Evaluation Bank

Mike Smith, President of ROPA, and Lisa Davis, ROPA  
Conductor Evaluation Bank Administrator



ROPA website: [www.ropaweb.org](http://www.ropaweb.org)

SSD Resource Center: [www.afm.org](http://www.afm.org)

Wage charts: <https://wagechart.afm.org/>

# Resources

**THANK YOU!**