Membership Categories and Dues

The ACSO membership year is October 1 – September 30. Membership dues are subject to change. Organizational membership delivers benefits to all board and staff.

Orchestras, Festivals, Ensembles (based on budget size):
- Budget Group 1 ($7M and above): $4,400
- Budget Group 2 ($3.5M – $6.9M): $2,300
- Budget Group 3 ($1M – $3.4M): $1,250
- Budget Group 4 ($500,000 – $999,999): $800
- Budget Group 5 ($300,000 – $499,999): $550
- Budget Group 6 ($150,000 – $299,999): $320
- Budget Group 7 ($149,999 and under): $230

Choruses, Leagues, Academic Orchestras, & Youth Orchestras: $190

Individual Members: $80
Student Members: $30
Business Members: $399

Our Donors

ACSO depends on generous donors to be vital partners in our year-round work to advance the orchestra industry. Most individual donors come from within our membership and support ACSO as a way of giving back to their own professional networks. If you have benefitted from your connection with the ACSO community, consider paying it forward by making a gift. You have the power to help ensure the people serving orchestras in all capacities—staff, board, volunteers, musicians—get support when they need it.
Our Mission
ACSO provides essential leadership and resources to classical music advocates and organizations, encouraging and supporting their artistic, organizational, and fiscal development.

ACSO is the NETWORK for industry professionals and volunteers, the HUB for industry news and technical support, and an ADVOCATE for causes critical to the arts.

About Us
Founded in 1969, the Association of California Symphony Orchestras (ACSO) is the largest state orchestra association in the U.S., serving 130 organizations and their 2,000 board and staff. Members include professional, academic, youth, and community-based orchestras, choruses, festivals, and industry-aligned businesses.

ACSO’s vision is that the classical music landscape of California and the western U.S. is vibrant, healthy, diverse, and connected to the communities it serves. We are committed to investing in training, resources, and services to help build our members’ and our own learning and capacity to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion in our field.

Our Members
For over 50 years, ACSO has been the go-to service provider and network for organizations and individuals linked together by their passion for classical music. Orchestra professional staff, volunteers, musicians, conductors, artist managers, emerging leaders, donors, patrons, and trustees can all benefit from developing professional contacts and sharing and building skills and knowledge. The ACSO Board of Directors is drawn from our membership, representing organizations of different budget sizes and geographic areas and a variety of orchestra leadership roles.

Benefits of Membership
Advocacy
ACSO gives voice and representation to orchestras and choruses in California at the state and national levels.

Professional Development
Annual Conference, regional programs and confabs, peer forums, and online webinars and workshops offer unparalleled opportunities to learn from top professionals and colleagues.

Capacity Building
Professional assistance is available for you and your organization through connections with experts, our digital reference and on-demand learning library, and customized research and technical support produced by our staff.

Networking
With ACSO, you become part of a community of colleagues who understand your needs and care about the classical music field.

Other benefits include
Concert postings in Online Concerts Calendar; Job postings in the Career Center; Connection to the field through eNEWS, Advocacy Alerts, and other digital communication.

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