

# The Greenwich Symphony

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*The Greenwich Symphony – 53 Years of Superb Performances*, a new book from the Greenwich Library Oral History Project, includes interviews with five volunteers who have been a vital part of the Symphony's history.

**Elizabeth Shippee**, a decades-long volunteer, remembers early town classical music offerings for both children and adults. **Cathrine Felding**, the first president of the Philharmonia, talks about its founding and first conductors. **Marianne Jeffrey**, the second president, describes her work with the young conductor, John Nelson, to help the orchestra achieve its high professional standard. **Corinta Kotula**, a board member since the 1980s, recalls her experiences as corporate fund-raiser for the orchestra. **Mary Radcliffe**, the Greenwich Symphony's longtime current president, discusses the contributions over the years of its musicians and volunteer management in creating an orchestra of distinction that continues to flourish.

The Oral History Project (OHP), sponsored by the Friends of Greenwich Library, has collected more than 850 interviews recalling the history of the town of Greenwich since the 1890s. *The Greenwich Symphony* is the 137<sup>th</sup> book that the OHP has published. All books circulate at the town libraries, and interview CDs, transcripts, and books may be purchased at the Oral History Project office. Phone 203.622.7945. Website: [www.glohistory.org](http://www.glohistory.org).

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