Charlotte MC Chapter of the AMERICAN HARP SOCIETY presents READY, SET, ENSEMBLE! with Delaine Leonard

SATURDAY, NOV. 18, 2023 | 10:30am–12:00pm Holy Covenant United Church of Christ

3501 West W.T. Harris Blvd., Charlotte, NC 28269

Bring your harps and enjoy a morning of playing harp ensemble music just for the fun of it! We'll take a look at some pre-arranged music, explore sources of programming ideas and potential venues, cover the basics of ensemble performance practice, learn how to modify solos and pre-arranged music to fit most ability levels, and read some fun harp ensemble arrangements.

This workshop is free to members of the Charlotte, NC Chapter of the American Harp Society and our sister chapters, but registration is required. Workshop participants should arrive at 10:00am for set-up and tuning.

Deadline for registration: November 11, 2023. RSVP your name and email address to Kathleen Blackwell-Plank: kblackwell.plank@gmail.com

Since the 1970s, harpist and educator **Delaine Fedson Leonard** has had a wealth of experience coaching, arranging, and performing harp ensemble music. As a student, she was a member of the regionally acclaimed University of Texas Harp Ensemble that performed all over the State of Texas. As coach, conductor and harp professor at Baylor, Texas A&M, and Southwestern Universities, and at the University of Texas at Austin, her harp ensembles performed for American Harp Society regional events, at universities in Midland-Odessa, Corpus Christi, Dallas, and Denton, at the Houston School of the Performing and Visual Arts, the Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts, and for outreach events like Lady Longhorns Basketball games and local Texas Lonestar Rollergirls matches. You might have discovered her harp ensembles wearing Halloween costumes and performing spooky music in your local park in October, at the TX Capitol Rotunda performing holiday music in December, or at the airport playing love songs in February.

Delaine performed for many years with TX professional orchestras and opera companies, and for touring shows across Central Texas. For 12 years, she was on the Board of Directors for the American Harp Society, serving five of those years as Board Secretary and four years as National President. She is a registered Harp Teacher Trainer for the Suzuki Association of the Americas and now resides in Charlotte, NC.



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