

CWC Press Release: Louise Dieterle Nippert Concert – October 8, 2025

Cincinnati Woman's Club (CWC) Nippert Concert featuring John Morris Russell's, "*The Muses of Music Hall: The Concert*" was recently performed, supporting CWC's commitment to the musical arts.

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The Cincinnati Woman's Club (cincinnatiwomensclub.com)(CWC) hosted CWC members and guests at a concert, "The Muses of Music Hall: The Concert," performed by John Morris Russell on Oct. 8, 2025. An all-female cast represented women who were known to have performed at Music Hall, presenting music from 1890-1950. Conductor John Morris Russell, along with wife Thea Tjepkema, delighted the audience with musical arrangements, interwoven with stories about Music Hall and the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra (CSO).

The CWC holds two concerts annually for CWC members and guests in honor of Louise Dieterle Nippert. Mrs. Nippert, along with her husband Louis, was an American business woman and prominent patron of the arts. Mrs. Nippert, a professionally trained singer often professed her greatest love was music. As a Cincinnati philanthropist, she is credited with her support for Cincinnati's Music Hall as well as many other non-profits in greater Cincinnati. In particular, she was a key supporter of the non-profit CWC, having served as CWC President in 1964. In recognition of Louise Nippert as a prominent CWC Member and supporter, the CWC holds concerts in her memory twice yearly.

The program, hosted by John Morris Russell and Thea Tjepkema, featured singers Jennifer Cherest, Victoria Okafor, and Noël Walton. Violinist Stefani Matsuo, *CSO Concertmaster*, and Julie Spangler, *Pops Pianist*, rounded out the musical group. The program featured 11 musical selections, an ode to the long history of women who have performed at Cincinnati Music Hall. As shared by Thea Tjepkema, Music Hall's archivist and preservationist, it is notable in 1894, during the origins of the CSO, many patrons were also early CWC members. Mrs. Nippert's passion for music and her ongoing endowment of the CWC lives on by showcasing these annual performances for the education of its members.

About the Cincinnati Woman's Club

The Cincinnati Woman's Club – founded in 1894 - is a center for women organized to enrich lives through philanthropic action and educational opportunities.

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Press Release Photo Sheet: The Cincinnati Woman's Club

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Performers from the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra (CSO) presented, the Muses of Music Hall.

Back Row Left to Right: Victoria Okafor, Jennifer Cherest, Noël Walton, Thea Tjepkema, Stefani Matsuo, Julie Spangler

Front Row Left to Right: CWC's Terry Robinson, Event Co-Chair, President Susan Deye, and Jane Bennett, Event Co-Chair



Nippert Series CWC Co-Chairs: Jane Bennett and Terry Robinson

Honoring Mrs. Louise Dieterle Nippert, long time Cincinnati Philanthropist and patron of the arts.



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Victoria Okafor, Noël Walton, Jennifer Cherest perform Defying Gravity, from “Wicked” by Stephen Schwartz.



Stefani Matsuo performs Romance for violin, op.23 by Amy Beach.



Left to right: Victoria Okafor, Jennifer Cherest, Noël Walton, John Morris Russell, Thea Tjepkema, Stefani Matsuo, Julie Spangler