



Benjamin Faigin, a gifted and passionate musician, left this world too young. Ben began his classical training



in cello at age 9. He later expanded his repertoire to guitar (electric and acoustic) and piano. Ben was constantly experimenting with sound, and explored improvisation, composition, and music theory, as well as synthesizer music creation.

Ben played in orchestras from elementary to high school, including the Garfield Orchestra and the Seattle Youth Symphony. He also participated in summer music camps throughout the Northwest, located in Seattle, Bellingham, Ellensburg, and Victoria B.C.

Ben was especially inspired by his time playing in a chamber music quartet at Music Northwest.

The Ben Faigin Musical Opportunity Fund has been established by his family and friends to provide young musicians, like Ben, with scholarship support for classical music training.

This coming season the **Tacoma Youth Symphony Association** is pleased to be receiving funds from this scholarship program to assist deserving youth from under-represented populations in their pursuit of musical excellence through their TYSA participation. Applications will be available during auditions.