



The East Tennessee Symphony Orchestra plays concerts on the greenway surrounding Veterans Memorial Park in Collegedale.

NEIGHBORS MAKING MUSIC

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EAST TENNESSEE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

How many community orchestras can boast that their concert mistress is a Juilliard violin performance graduate? ETSO has one in Anne Rylands.

This community orchestra performs in the beautiful outdoor setting of the greenway encircling Collegedale's Veterans Memorial Park.

■ **Rehearses:** Daily for a week and a half before each concert; rehearsals held in Collegedale Academy orchestra rehearsal hall.

■ **Performances:** Once or twice a year on the greenway near Veterans Memorial Park in Collegedale; next concert is spring 2008.

■ **Membership:** By audition, openings are posted online at www.etsomusic.org.

■ **Number of members:** 72

■ **Why the group formed:** "To give skilled orchestral musicians an opportunity to perform and to serve the community through free outdoor concerts," said director Richard Hickam.

■ **Ages of members:** 17-70.

■ **Director:** Richard Hickam, alumnus of Southern Adventist University who is band and orchestra director at Collegedale Academy.

■ **Type of music performed:** Symphonic.

■ **For more information:** www.etsomusic.org.