

# Welcome to VCO's 1st General Meeting!



UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

2020-2021

# MEET THE OFFICERS



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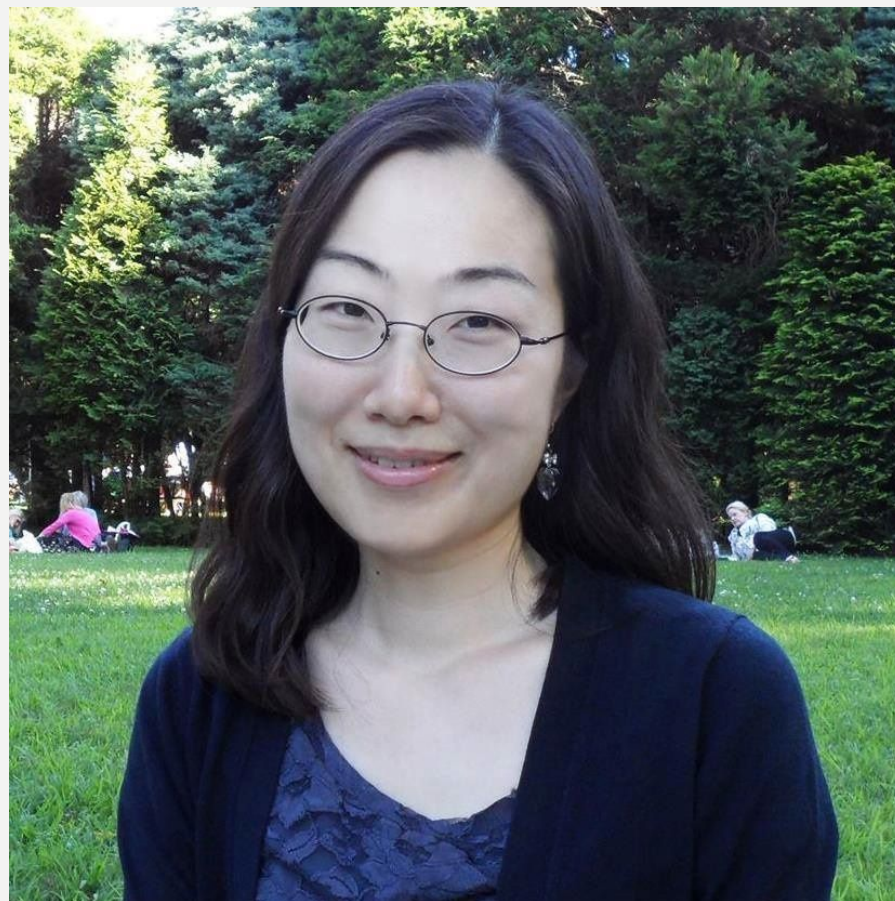
## Kara Le



**Faculty Advisor:**

**Dr. Ji Yeon Lee**

**Assistant Professor of Music Theory**



# Who We Are

- Inclusive & Diverse group of musicians of all skill levels!
  - Charitable, loving people!
  - COOGS who love music!
- #musicalcoogs



# Why Join VCO?

- Share a love/passion for music
- Keep the interest/hobby of playing music alive
- Community Outreach (albeit virtual this semester)
- **Volunteering**
- Socials
- Bake Sales
- Relax and play some music!



# Volunteering

- PROJECT CURE,
- HOUSTON FOOD BANK,
- UH Cares,
- NuWaters Farm
- Food recovery

**\*Due to Covid-19, in-person volunteer opportunities have been postponed until further notice.\***



# Dues & Fundraising

- Dues are **\$5** this semester
- Please message Thomas or Dinithi if you have problems meeting this amount and we can try to figure something out and help you!

• (Soft) Deadline: 02/10 @11:59pm

- Fundraising is **IMPORTANT** and it benefits **YOU!**
  - Shirts (in person), Music, Socials!!!
- If anyone has any virtual fundraising ideas for this semester then please reach out to either Thomas or Dinithi!

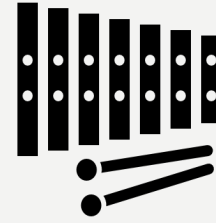


# Hangout? YES!

- Socials, yay!!
  - A friendly environment to melt your stresses away!
  - Come play games, watch movies, or just hangout and talk about life...or cats.
- First Social is a Post Valentine's Day Party!

**– Feb 23rd @7pm-8pm**

- Valentines-Related Activities!!



# Where we've performed

- Local clinics, nursing homes, hospitals, charity houses and more...
- Online music video (check it out!)
- Past Years:
  - SEARCH House of Tiny Treasures
  - Memorial Hermann Hospital
  - Silverado Nursing Home
  - Texas Children's Hospital
  - Ronald McDonald Home
  - St. Dominic Village Senior Community





# The show will go on!

- While we most likely won't physically meet this semester. We **CAN** still meet **virtually!**
- We will produce Music Videos this semester. Hope you all can join.
- If you have video editing or audio editing experience, we need **YOU!**



# WHAT WE PLAY

Previously Performed Works:

Online Music Video: *Favorite Things* - arr. Botelho & Le

*Waltz No. 2* - Shostakovich

*Salute D'Amour* - Elgar

*Time* from *Inception* - Hans Zimmer

## SOLOS/CHAMBER MUSIC

- Recorded videos of solo and chamber music are highly encouraged!
- Contact Alex and/or Kara if you are interested in doing a video. You can even do an ensemble with yourself!
- Our goal is to send these videos, along with a full ensemble music videos, out to the community!

# Online Music Video Performance



# Semester Layout

Option 1: A simpler, one minute long selection.

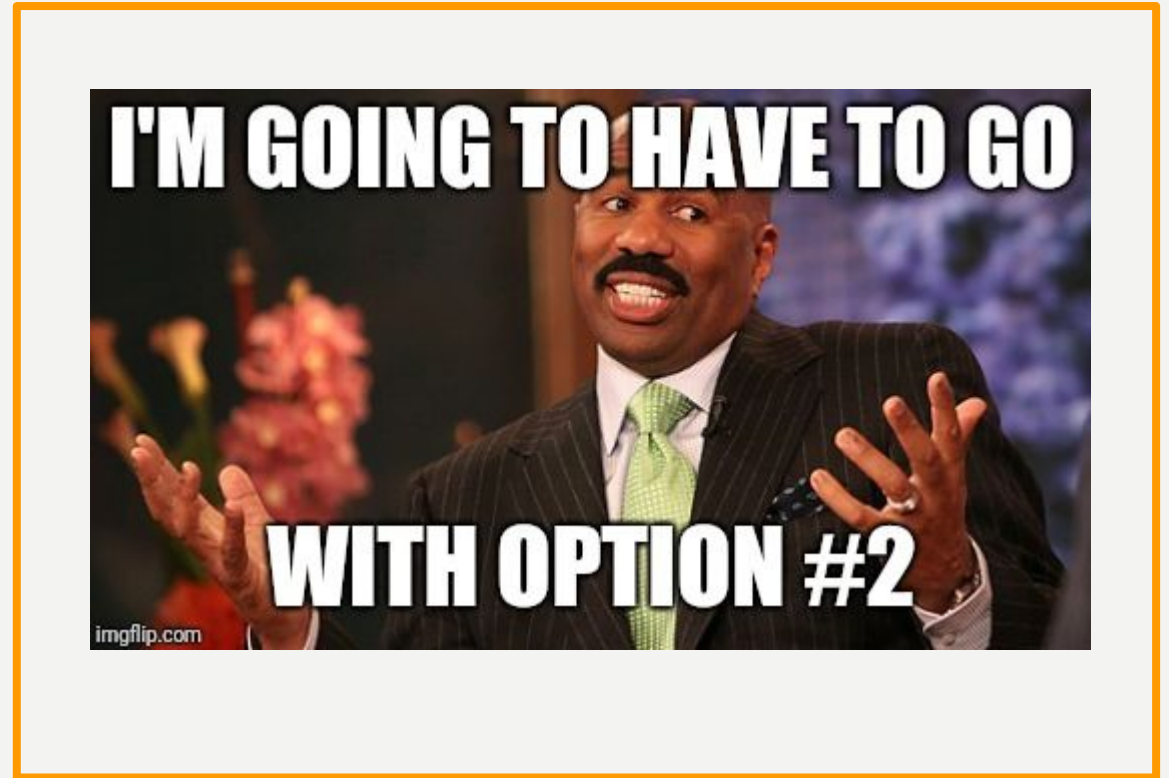
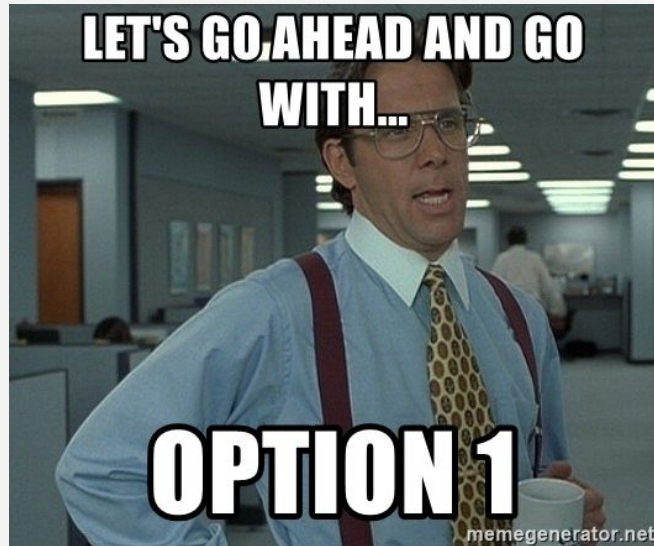
- Shorter production time frame
- Less practice required
- Project length: ~1.5 month

Option 2: A moderately difficult piece

- Longer production.
- Practice is essential.
- Project length: ~2 months

**\*Consensus: We will be finding and arranging a medley of moderate length. The date and time of the arrangement release is TBD. Our arrangers are working on it! Please be patient :)**

# Who won? What's Next? YOU DECIDEEE!



# Membership Form

[Spring 2021 Membership Form \(google.com\)](#)



# Contact us



**Office Hours 5:30-6:30pm Tuesday**



**<https://www.facebook.com/groups/532585437597049/>**



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