# "Building a Superior Flute Section by "Debunking the Myths of Flute

#### 1. Who is Bootsie K. Mayfield??? - www.bootsiekmayfield.com

- Graduate of the College Conservatory of Music, University of Cincinnati
- Protégé of Robert Cavally and International Concert Artist, Teacher, & Author.
- Author of Robert Cavally's Developmental and Progressive Studies for Flute, a 12-book series, published by Hal Leonard.
- College professor and author of numerous journal articles on Flute Pedagogy.
- Curator of the Robert Cavally Library & copyright owner of all Robert Cavally publications (over 200) which are also published by Hal Leonard.
- Expert on Robert Cavally.

#### 2. Who is Robert Cavally??? -

- Flutist, NBC Radio Network, WLW Radio Orchestra, Paris Opera, Armco Band, Dayton Philharmonic, Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra and Summer Zoo Opera.
- Piccolo for John Phillip Sousa Flutist for Arturo Toscanini, Fritz Reiner, Thor Johnson, Max Rudolf, Georges Enesco and Igor Stravinsky
- Professor of Flute & Woodwind Ensembles: College- Conservatory of Music, University of Cincinnati (1938-1979),
  Professor of Flute for Xavier University with Private Studios in Cincinnati and Dayton, Ohio
- Edited & compiled over 200 publications in a systematic & progressive system for flute & woodwinds containing Flute Methods, Solo Flute Collections, Flute Ensembles, & works for other woodwinds published & distributed exclusively by Hal Leonard, Corp.
- Long awaited & never published Robert Cavally's Developmental & Progressive Studies for Flute by Bootsie K. Mayfield. The books are published in 3 Volumes of Tone Studies, Velocity Studies, and Scale Studies in 4 levels of development from Primer to Level 3. (From Beginner to Professional)

### 3. What are the Real Goals of Teaching???

- 4. How do you effectively evaluate your fundamental knowledge of each instrument???
- 5. The first & most important skill to teach a Flutist at any level is ... Breathing! ... and it can be complicated.
- 6. 2nd Step in introducing the flute is teaching a correct Flute Embouchure without the flute: (Audience Participation)
- 7. Teaching basic articulation without a flute (Audience Participation)
- 8. Essential Concepts taught without first sight of the flute...
- 9. What produces SOUND on the Flute?
- 10. The Four Misconceptions concerning the best approach to producing a sound on the flute...
- 11. What is the REAL difference between "Sound" & "Tone?"
- 12. Introducing the Head Joint...
- 13. Assembling the Flute...
- 14. Proper Hand and Body Alignment...
- 15. Teaching Pitches and Fingerings...
- 16. How to visually evaluate Students...
- 17. Teaching Intonation...
- 18. Understanding and teaching Pitch Discrepancies of the Flute...
- 19. Training students in overcoming Common Fingering Mistakes...
- 20. Instructional Secrets of Robert Cavally.

## **Supplemental Materials:**

- Robert Cavally's Developmental & Progressive Studies for Flute published by Hal Leonard compiled and edited by Bootsie K. Mayfield.
- Workshop material in Primer Tone Study, Velocity and Scale books.
- Solos & Developmental Method Books compiled and edited by Robert Cavally.
   Cavally Catalog is progressively & systematically designed to fit together into a total developmental & progressive system of study of the flute and flute literature.