

Presents the

# Middle School Honor Band

Directed by Dr. Kate Ferguson

Saturday, January 13, 2024 at 12:00 PM
Ford Theater
Youngstown State University

# **PROGRAM**

To Be Selected From

The Star Spangled Banner ...... Smith arr. Jack Stamp (1954)

Sparks ...... Brian Balmages (1975)

Snakes! ...... Thomas C. Duffy (1955)

Salvation is Created ...... Tchesnokov arr. Michael Brown (1962)

March of the Sun Dried Tomatoes ...... Julie Giroux (1961)

You're Welcome from Moana .......... Miranda arr. Matt Conaway (1979)

# ROSTER

# **Flute**

Josephine Bayer, Jackson-Milton Middle School
Kaitlyn Biller, Wallace H Braden Middle School
Olivia Demes, Austintown Middle School
Quinn Drews, Canfield Middle School
Annabella Duffield, Liberty Middle School
Kassidy Gills, East Community Learning Center
Meredith Houghton, Brecksville-Broadview Heights Middle School
Rylee Johnson, R.B. Chamberlin Middle School
Karly Kisner, Waterloo Middle School
Lacie Lawson, Barberton Middle School
Kelsey McKinney, Harding Middle/High School

# Oboe

**Felicity Covey**, Kimpton Middle School **Cooper Huston**, Roberts Middle School

# Bassoon

Micah Frye, Barberton Middle School Alyssa Lydic, Lakeview Middle School Michael Marciniak, Brecksville-Broadview Heights Middle School

# **Tenor Saxophone**

Nick Alvetro, Howland Junior High School King Swiggett, Valley Christian Steven Telischak II, East Palestine

# **Baritone Saxophone**

Aiden McCausland, Newton Falls Junior High School Henry Strekal, R.B. Chamberlin Middle School

# Alto Saxophone

Danyale Allen, East Community Learning Center
Jackson Gross, Champion Middle School
Daniel Haggerty, McGuffy K-8 School
Caroline Karioki, Barberton Middle School
Josh Lockwood, Mathews Junior High School
Deacon Norton, East Palestine
Nicholas Rotuna, Jackson-Milton Middle School
Colby Schmucker, Crestview Middle School
Sydney Smart, Austintown Middle School
Carter Yocum, Boardman Glenwood Junior High School

# Clarinet

Kaitlyn Bland, Canfield Middle School
Makayla Blevins, Champion Middle School
Gabe Bonar, Mathews Junior High School
Joshua Densmore, Waterloo Middle School
Eloise Julius, Kimpton Middle School
Abigail Martinez, Valley Christian
Breiah Millirons, East Community Learning Center
Hunter Nawrocki, Boardman Glenwood Junior High School
Gabby Newingham, Kimpton Middle School
Katlyn Rivera Colon, Valley Christian
Sydney Slagle, South Range Middle School
Bella Stier, Crestwood 7-12 Building

# **Bass Clarinet**

Harper Bailey, South Range Middle School Sadie Earnheardt, Liberty Middle School Emmalee Edwards, Jackson-Milton Middle School Siena Sutliff, Lakeview Middle School

# **Trumpet**

Patrick Deanda, East Community Learning Center Blake Devine, Crestview Middle School Bentley Fahrner, East MS - Youngstown Elijah Flaviani, JFK-Upper Campus Mason Gladding, Harding Middle/High School Brody Haines, Lakeview Middle School - PA Levi Hauser, Liberty Middle School - PA Levi Hauser, Liberty Middle School Michael Holesko, Newton Falls Junior High School Troy Kopac, Rootstown Middle School Daniel McClung, R.B. Chamberlin Middle School Zachary Mignano, Waterloo Middle School Miles Mihalik, Canfield Middle School Layla Lanouette-Miller, Austintown Middle School Adelaide Morris, Rootstown Middle School

# Horn

Alex Lauver, Pleasant Hills Middle School - PA
Arthur Levine, Crestwood 7-12 Building
Isabel Moss, Lakeview Middle School
Mia Quinlin, South Range Middle School
Aiden Ring, Mathews Junior High School
Robert Sasala, Brecksville-Broadview Heights Middle School
Emma Shook, Barberton Middle School
Ethan VanSuch, Howland Junior High School
Chase Westover, Kimpton Middle School

# **Trombone**

Charles Beichner, Boardman Glenwood Junior High School Bridget Frease, Canfield Middle School Landon Halchak, Barberton Middle School Rebecca Randolph, East Palestine Kristopher Robbins, East MS - Youngstown Colin Schussler, Lakeview Middle School Andrew Shevock, Boardman Glenwood Junior High School Bryson Thigpen, Howland Junior High School Keith Williams, South Range Middle School

# **Euphonium**

Cameron Elmore, JFK-Upper Campus Gabriel Martinez, Crestview Middle School Jaiden Melendez, Campbell Memorial Avery Sanwald, Crestwood 7-12 Building William Spencer. Wallace H Braden Middle School

# Tuba

Aiden Blust, R.B. Chamberlin Middle School
Charlie Piscitello, Brecksville-Broadview Heights Middle School
Maxwell Scott, Austintown Middle School
Luca Sindelar, Crestwood 7-12 Building
Stephen Smith, Canfield Middle School

# **Percussion**

Joseph Constantine, Lakeview Middle School Jaisah Dawan, Campbell Memorial Gabe Garber, Howland Junior High School Peyton Kasbee, Newton Falls Junior High School Addisen Kish, Campbell Memorial Jackson Miller, Lakeview Middle School Kacey Misier, Liberty Middle School Avish PaiDhungat, Canfield Middle School Will Reynolds, Howland Junior High School

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Doug May, Lakeview Middle School
Michael Summers and Gabriella Sandy,
Liberty Middle School
David Ottney, Mathews Junior High School
Christie Hrdlicka, Newton Falls Junior High School
Stephen Bonhag, Rootstown Middle School
Sarah Komsa, South Range Middle School
Sarah Komsa, South Range Middle School
Tom Resnick, R.B. Chamberlin Middle School
Craig Humphreys, Valley Christian
Kailey Hall, McGuffey PK-8
Kyle Zimmerman, JFK-Upper Campus
Gabriella Mediati, Waterloo Middle School
Rie Lauver, Pleasant Hills Middle School
Joshua Haggerty, East Middle School

Tyler Husosky, Lakeview Middle Sch

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# MUSIC AT NOON GRADUATE CHAMBER MUSIC

Wednesday, January 17, 2024, 12:15 PM Butler Museum of American Art, Youngstown, OH

# **PROGRAM**

Power ..... ...... John Stevens Emma Fleischaker, trombone Xiaoyu Xing, euphonium Ben Hemming, euphonium Peter Sapkowski, bass trombone Sechs Deutsche Lieder, Op. 103 ...... Louis Sphor IV. Wiegenlied Amanda Bertilacci, soprano Sami Weinkoetz, clarinet Wilhelmine Loe, piano "Il est doux, il est bon" from Hérodiade ...... Jules Massenet Rachel Gardner, soprano Noah Stewart, piano III. Atardecer Tapatío Carlie Geyer, violin Jasmine Tunac, viola Kayrusan Quintero, cello Wilhelmine Loe, piano Silent Woods ..... ..... Antonín Dvořák Kayrusan Quintero, cello Wilhelmine Loe, piano



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# MUSIC AT NOON Dr. Kivie Cahn-Lipman & Dr. Cicilia Yudha

Wednesday, January 24, 2024, 12:15 PM Butler Museum of American Art, Youngstown, OH

# **PROGRAM**

in manus tuas		Caroline Shaw (b. 1982)
Suite #2 for Solo Cello	Johann Seb	pastian Bach (1685-1750)

Suite #2 for Solo Cello in D Minor, BWV 1008

Prelude

Allemande Corrente

Sarabande

Menuetto Giga

**Drei Kleine Stücke, op. 11** ...... Anton Webern (1883-1945)

Mäßige Achtel Sehr bewegt Äußerst ruhig

Sonate pour violoncelle et piano ...... Claude Debussy (1862-1918)

Prologue: Lent, sostenuto e molto risoluto

Sérénade: Modérément animé Final: Animé, léger et nerveux



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The 2024 OMEA Professional Development Conference

# WIND ENSEMBLE Pana School of Music

Dr. Michael S. Butler, Conductor Dr. Kate Ferguson, Conductor

YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY

February 2, 2024 Columbus, Ohio



# Welcome from the Dana School of Music

On behalf of the Youngstown State University (YSU) Cliffe College of Creative Arts and most especially on behalf of the historic Dana School of Music and our YSU Band Program, it is my pleasure to welcome you to today's concert at the Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) 2024 Professional Development Conference. We are honored to have been selected and know that you will enjoy the Wind Ensemble's performance.

We are most appreciative to Daniel Ruckman, President of OMEA, and all the OMEA Board of Trustees members and Staff for their assistance with our preparations for today's events and their commitment to music education. I would also like to express sincere gratitude to our talented and loyal alumni for their continuing and tangible support and to the many music educators across the state and region who have entrusted their students to us and encouraged them to become a part of our YSU and Dana School tradition. Dr. Joseph Carucci, Director of the Dana School of Music and University Theatre, and our distinguished and highly active faculty of artists and scholars are dedicated to helping our students pursue their passions and develop their talents, empowering them for success in this transformative time in which we live.

Congratulations to Dr. Michael Butler, Director of Bands, and our terrific students! We are proud of your accomplishments and look forward to your performance.

With warmest regards,

Phylis M. Paul, Ph.D. Dean and Professor

# Welcome to the Youngstown State University Wind Ensemble's OMEA performance.

As I reflect on the 155-year history at the Dana School of Music, I am humbled and inspired to contribute to the institutional pillar that the performing arts have had in our community and beyond. It is amazing to experience the creative drive of our current artists and scholars, who are committed to artistic and pedagogical innovation and have an intense focus on excellence at every level. We have an unrivaled dedication to serve our students, alumni, and community.

Dana students, including the ones who are on stage today, are committed to becoming elite musicians, educators, composers, audio engineers, and professionals. They play an active role in shaping our society and are a glimpse into the future of the arts. As the next generation of leaders, I am confident about our future.



Please enjoy the performance. With sincere gratitude,

Dr. Joseph Carucci Director, Dana School of Music & University Theatre

Letters

# **PROGRAM**

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<b>Festive Overture</b> Dmitri Shostakovich (1906-1975)  Arr. Donald Hunsberger	
Salvation is Created	
Baile Si Quiere!	
Kathryn Umble—flute, Shawn Reynolds—oboe, Alice Wang—clarinet Brad Granville—horn, Christine Carucci—bassoon, Glenn Schaft—bongos	
AwakeningsKimberly Archer (b. 1973)	
Kate Ferguson, conductor	
Montmartre March from the "Paris" SuiteHaydn Wood (1882-1959)  Arr. Robert Hawkins	
Symphony No, 1Onsby Rose (b. 1975)  IV. For the Fallen	

# **FLUTE**

Suzanne Bevilacqua Laura Bowden Miya DeBolt Saralyn Joiner Aeva Richard

# OBOE

John Anzevino

# **BASSOON**

Aiden Hite

# **CLARINET**

Julie Douglas Katie Farrington Ellie Schrier Jaxon Stewart Jordan Vannoy Sami Weinkoetz

# **BASS CLARINET**

Kaela Lawson

# **ALTO SAXOPHONE**

Georgia Dale Quinten Harkness

### **TENOR SAXOPHONE**

**EJ Paucar** 

# **BARITONE SAXOPHONE**

Nicholas Komara

# **TRUMPET**

Ryan Bowden
Julian Davis
Nathan Gallagher
Adam Hershberger
Katie Markielowski
Noah Mooney
Luke Whorten

# HORN

Brandon Brown Jesse Crownover Brendan Gage Jared Giovannone Quinton Miller

# **TROMBONE**

Daniel Chandra Emma Fleischaker Jacob Norton Luke Walters

# **BASS TROMBONE**

Peter Sapkowski

# **EUPHONIUM**

Jacob Sizer Xiaoyu Xing

# **TUBA**

Ryan Lamb Ben Hemming

# **STRING BASS**

Shane Hogle

# **PERCUSSION**

Rachel Davidson Stephen Dorbish Brennan Rivers Jacob Potts Evan Stefancin Brett Weigel

# **ENSEMBLE BIOGRAPHY**

The Youngstown State University Wind Ensemble, directed by Dr. Michael S. Butler, is the premier concert band in the Dana School of Music. The ensemble performs a wide range of music, including contemporary literature and standard repertoire, to ensure students receive exposure to the finest music written for the medium. The wind band program at YSU has a rich history of collaboration with musical artists, including some of the most distinguished composers, conductors, and performers, to provide transformative experiences for our musical community. Since 2021, the YSU Wind Ensemble has earned numerous accolades from prestigious organizations such as the College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA), including being recognized as one of the finest small university wind ensembles in the country. In 2023, the ensemble earned second place in The American Prize Wind Ensemble category, performed at the 2023 Northeast Ohio Band Invitational held at Severance Hall and received invitations to perform at the 2024 CBDNA North Central Conference and Ohio Music Educators Association Conference.

# CONDUCTOR BIOGRAPHIES

**Dr. Michael S. Butler** serves as the Director of Bands at Youngstown State University in the Dana School of Music. In this role, he oversees all facets of the university's band and orchestra program, conducting the Wind Ensemble, Symphony Orchestra, and the Dana Faculty Ensemble, and also serves as the Music Director for the YSU Youth Orchestra.

Since joining YSU in 2021, Dr. Butler has diligently upheld the rich and strong legacy of musical excellence. Under his guidance, the Wind Ensemble has consistently earned prestigious accolades for their outstanding performances. In 2023, the ensemble received multiple honors for excellence, securing second place in The American

# **Biographies**

Prize Wind Ensemble category and was selected as one of the finest small university wind ensembles to showcase at the National College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA) conference. Furthermore, the ensemble had the honor of performing at the 2023 Northeast Ohio Band Invitational held at Severance Hall, home of The Cleveland Orchestra. Invitations for performances at the 2024 CBDNA North Central Conference and Ohio Music Educators Association Conference underscore Dr. Butler's commitment to musical excellence.

The National Band Association has recognized Dr. Butler with multiple Citations of Excellence for his significant contributions to wind bands. Serving actively as a clinician, adjudicator, and guest conductor, he has conducted ensembles such as the United States Army Band 'Pershing's Own' and the United States Army Field Band. Dr. Butler is a proud alumnus of Tennessee Technological University (B.M.) and the University of Florida (M.M. and Ph.D.).

**Dr. Kate Ferguson** is the Director of Athletic Bands at Youngstown State University. Currently in her twenty-sixth year as an educator, Ferguson previously taught in the Akron Public, Crestwood Local, and Cuyahoga Falls City School Districts. Additionally, she has served as a faculty member at The College of Wooster, Southeast Missouri State University, and Kent State University. In addition to her teaching responsibilities, Ferguson is the Director of the Phantom Regiment Educational Academy. She holds a Bachelors in Music Education degree from Kent State University, a Masters in Music Education Degree from the University of Akron, and a Ph.D. in Music Education from Kent State University.

Ferguson is an active member of the Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA), and currently serves as the faculty advisor for the OCMEA Chapter at YSU. Her service to OMEA has included adjudication and hosting High School Large Group, and Solo & Ensemble Events. In addition, she has been a frequent member of the Professional Conference Planning Committee, has served as the All-State Band Chair, and Past-President of District VI.

# **PROGRAM NOTES**

The origin of Shostakovich's **Festive Overture** has been subject to several different theories. One author claims that it was originally written in 1947 but was suppressed by Shostakovich along with many of his compositions created during this repressive period of Soviet history. Others believe that the celebratory quality of the overture displays Shostakovich's relief at the death of Josef Stalin (in 1953), whose regime had twice censored the composer and his music. Most probably, the work was commissioned for a gathering at the Bolshoi Theater in November of 1954, celebrating the 37th anniversary of the October Revolution. The conductor, Vasili Nebolsin, realized that he had no appropriate piece to open the high-profile concert. He approached Shostakovich, who was at the time a musical consultant at the Bolshoi. The composer set to work, and the overture was completed in three days, the individual pages of the score being taken by a courier before the ink had dried to copyists waiting at the theater to create the orchestra parts. Although written in haste, the overture has proved to be one of Shostakovich's most frequently performed works.

Salvation Is Created is a choral work composed by Pavel Tchesnokov in 1912, before he was forced to turn to secular compositions by the Soviet government. It is a communion hymn based on a chant from Kiev and Psalm 74 (73 in the Greek version): "Salvation is made in the midst of the earth, O God. Alleluia." Although he never heard his composition performed, his children had the opportunity to hear it in the years following his death. Salvation Is Created was originally published in 1913 by J. Fischer and Bro., but its popularity drove editors to produce many different versions in both Russian and English.

**Baile si quiere!** (translated as "Dance if you want") was commissioned in 2013 for Force Five, the wind quintet of the U.S. Army Reserve Band. The goal was to put a wind quintet up front in a mix of Classical and Latin Jazz settings, with improvised solos not only in the quintet but from members of the band itself, thereby breaking through the staid 19th and 20th-century wind band traditions and hopefully shuttling both ensemble types into a 21st-century expectation.

**Awakenings** was commissioned by the Proposed International Center of New Music at Central Michigan University. Directed by David Gillingham and Nico Schuler, the ICNM is dedicated to the creation, performance, and research of new music in public schools, private schools and universities. In keeping with ICNM's mission, Awakenings exploits a 20th-century tonal system not commonly found in the repertoire for younger bands: the octatonic collection. Also known as a "diminished" scale, it is a series of alternating whole and half steps. totaling eight pitches. Common in the music of Bartok, Stravinsky, and Messiaen, as well as in jazz improvisation and film scores (including Danny Elfman), the appeal of an octatonic collection lies in its unusual combination of available sonorities.

**Montmartre March**, from Haydn Wood's Paris Suite, is in a fast-moving, delicate style that is unique to the traditional march idiom. Wood visited Paris frequently and knew the Montmartre section well – for centuries it was a village outside the walls of Paris, but it is now within the city limits. With its steep twisting street and picturesque houses, it still retains a village appearance. As the name indicates, Montmartre is on a mountain (more accurately, a hill) in the section of Paris north of the Seine River known as the Right Bank. The area is famous for the Sacré Coeur Church, the view of Paris, and also for its cafes and nightlife.

**Symphony No. 1** "Heroes" was commissioned by a consortium of seventy-seven universities, public schools, community groups, and military bands, led by Larry H. Lang of the U.S. Air Force Band, and Bruce Moss of the Wheaton Municipal Band. In times of war, our armed services have very specific duties. The Navy and Marine Corps are primarily the "first to fight", the Navy from the sea and from delivering the Marines to land.

Movement 4 is "for the fallen." The unfortunate fact of war is that we always lose many of our brave service members. This is the only movement that uses preconceived material, in that it is built upon the hymn Nearer My God to Thee as well as the Bach chorale Our Father in the Kingdom of Heaven. My description is that after death I believe that those of us who have accepted Christ as our savior will ascend to heaven to be with Him. It is my hope that this is the case for all service members that we lose. The movement is meant to show the transition from this world to that of the heavenly world. The first section of the movement starts this progression and leads us to the saxophone quartet that brings us to the gates of heaven. With an abrupt change, the walk into heaven and the sights and sounds that are heard are brought to us. Then as we approach the throne of God the ensemble builds progressively until the face of God is visible as the Bach chorale is stated in the full ensemble. At this time the original chorale comes back as we celebrate eternity in peace. This movement is also dedicated to my friend and mentor, Dr. David Maslanka. The movement is constructed using many Maslankian techniques found in his symphonies. Although for all fallen service members, it is also my farewell to a kind and gentle soul who gave us so much.

# Dana School of Music



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# **Questions?**

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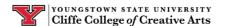




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Musik Noon
Guest Pianist:

Guest Pianist: Becky Billock

Wednesday, February 7, 12:15 PM
Butler Institute of American Art
Youngstown State University



# **PROGRAM**

The Tides of Manaunaun	Henry Cowell
Rondo in D Major, K. 485	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Toccata for piano	Emma Lou Diemer
Nocturne in C-sharp Minor (opus posthu	mous) Frederic Chopin
Ballade No. 3 in A-flat Major, Op. 47	Frederic Chopin

# **BIOGRAPHY**

Hailed as a "persuasive and capable" musician (BBC Music Magazine) and an "unforgettable listening experience" (Fanfare Magazine), recording artist and recitalist Becky Billock has found her niche promoting the works of contemporary women. Ms. Billock has enjoyed an active performance schedule including international tours, commissions, and world premieres. She has appeared as soloist with regional orchestras in the US, Mexico, and South Africa. In addition to solo and chamber recitals throughout the U.S., she has had appearances on the Seattle radio station Classical KING FM 98.1, the Pittsburgh radio station WQED 98.3FM, and American Public Media's Performance Today. Ms. Billock concertizes, lectures and adjudicates frequently in western Pennsylvania where she lives with her family. She holds degrees from Walla Walla College (BA), University of Redlands (MA), and University of Washington (DMA), where she studied respectively with Leonard Richter, Louanne Long, and Craig Sheppard.

In 2021 Ms. Billock founded Noteful, a company devoted to providing high quality free online musical education content. Noteful provides a gamified app for note reading and music theory that is engaging, fun, and freely available to all. The app launched in October 2023 and can be found at www.noteful.net as well as on the iOS and Android app stores.

Ms. Billock served as the pianist for the Pittsburgh-based Trio Nova Mundi, the ensemble in residence at Grove City College from 2012 to 2017. Trio appearances include the Semanas Musicales de Frutillar, Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival, Music on the Hill (Rhode Island), Friday Night Live! at the Detroit Institute of Arts, and tours to Africa, South America, Mexico, and many US cities. The trio's CD Canticum was released in November 2015.

Ms. Billock's 2011 CD release musesnine: eight american composers plus one pianist has received extensive airplay throughout the US and Canada, and

garnered accolades from some of the top music publications. Musesnine was also featured as "CD of the week" both on Pittsburgh's WQED and KDFC San Francisco, and Ms. Billock was featured in a live performance broadcast promoting the CD on WQLN FM in Erie, PA.

Other career highlights include collaborating with soprano Gail Wettstein and others in a series of concerts in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, an appearance on the Steinway Piano Series in Pittsburgh, PA with pianist Tina Faigen, and concertizing around the US with her duo partner Jack Kurutz as Duo Junction. In April 2013 Duo Junction appeared as a finalist team in the Ellis Duo Piano Competition, in Jackson, MI.

Ms. Billock has also enjoyed collaboration with Pittsburgh Symphony cellist Adam Liu in the premiere of a work by Chinese composer Changyuan Liu, and has participated in showcasing the works of American composers Robert Schultz as well as Robert Storms. Ms. Billock has extensively promoted music by women, including a presentation both at the 2010 International Festival of Women Composers and at the 2011 Congress for the International Alliance of Women in Music. As a winner of the Pittsburgh Concert Society Majors Auditions, Ms. Billock performed on that organization's concert series, as well as at the 2011 Johnstown Chamber Music Festival.

In addition to her Grove City College faculty appointment where her students have won many honors and competitions, Ms. Billock maintains a thriving private studio in Pittsburgh. Her private students have been chosen for numerous awards and honors including Dorothy Sutton Performance Festival, the Duquesne Young Artist Piano Festival and the Steinway Society Young Artist program. Many of her students have appeared as soloists with the Pittsburgh Concertino Chamber Orchestra and the Grove City College Symphonic Orchestra.



Music at Noon

All Music at Noons begin on Wednesday at 12:15 PM.

Music at Noon - Musical Theatre February 14, 2024 Butler Institute of American Art

Piano Studio Recital
February 21, 2024
Butler Institute of American Art - Butler North

Voice Studio Recital February 28, 2024 Butler Institute of American Art

Percussion Ensemble March 20, 2024 Butler Institute of American Art

Guest Artist - Douglas Ashcraft March 27, 2024 Butler Institute of American Art

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# VALENTINE'S DAY MUSIC AT NOON

Wednesday, February 14, 2024, 12:15 PM Butler Museum of American Art, Youngstown, OH

# **PROGRAM**

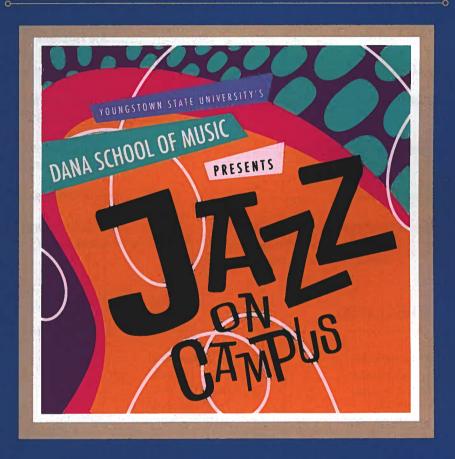
Stupid With Love (Mean Girls)	Emalee Chappa
Women and Sandwiches (Freaky Friday)	Sam Law
Perfect Relationship	Mal Ehrhart
I've Grown Accustomed To Her Face (My Fair Lady)	Cyrus Dzkowski
Maria (West Side Story)	KJ Hudson
Love Will Come And Find Me Again (Bandstand)	Lauren Ladd



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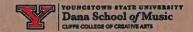
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# YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY JAZZENSEMBLE



Chestnut Room, YSU Kilcawley Center MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 | 7:30 PM

KENT J. ENGELHARDT, PH.D., DIRECTOR



# Program

# **PROGRAM**

# **PERSONNEL**

# **SAXOPHONES**

Brendan Bennett Mason Ciesielski Joshua Close Zach Fleischman Jason Lagese

# **TRUMPETS**

Ryan Bowden Julian Davis Nieko Disso Tom Landry Alfred Todd

# **TROMBONES**

Daniel Chandra Jacob Norton Peter Sapkowski Luke Walters

# RHYTHM SECTION

Guitar Santino Testa
Piano Aaron White
Bass Shane Hogle
Drums Nick Grabigel

# **VOCALS**

Elizabeth Jadue

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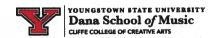
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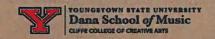
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# **Upcoming Events**

# JAZZ CONCERT CALENDAR | Spring 2024

FEB 19

Jazz Ensemble Concert

Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center, YSU | 7:30 PM

**FEB 29** 

Jazz Combos Concert

Spotlight Theater, Bliss Hall, YSU | 7:30 PM

**MAR 13** 

Jazz Combos Concert

Butler Institute of American Art | 12:15 - 12:45 PM

**MAR 13** 

Jazz Ensemble, Maplewood Jazz Festival

Maplewood HS, Guys Mills, PA | 1 8:15 PM

APR 8

Jazz Ensemble Concert

Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center, YSU | 7:30 PM

**APR 15** 

Jazz Combos Concert

Ford Theater, Bliss Hall, YSU | 7:30 PM

APR 26

Guest Artist Performance & Jazz Guitar Masterclass with Pasquale Grasso

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Bliss Hall 2222, YSU | 12:30 - 3:00 PM



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# **Piano Studios in Concert**

# **Program**

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Echo
From: Suite of Impressionistic Studies Seymour Bernstein (b. 1927) The Purple Finch The Hummingbird The Chickadee The Vulture Rasadokht Ahmadi (studio Dr. Yudha)
From: Suite Bergamasque
The Syncopated ClockLeroy Anderson (1908-1975)  Katie Farrington (studio Dr. Yudha)
Time Off
From: Piano Sonata in e minor Op. 7 Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)  I. Allegro moderato  Madison Sheffield (studio Dr. Oltmanns)
Prelude for piano





From: The Carnival of the Animals ...... Camille Saint Saens (1835-1921)

Aquarium Arr. Lucien Garben

Evan Barrett (studio Dr. Oltmanns)

Clarinet - Sami Weinkoetz
Soprano Voice - Belita Rubante

Piano - Jesse Crownover (studio Dr. Oltmanns)

III. Brazileira

Madison Sheffield - Evan Barrett, piano duo (studio Dr. Oltmanns)

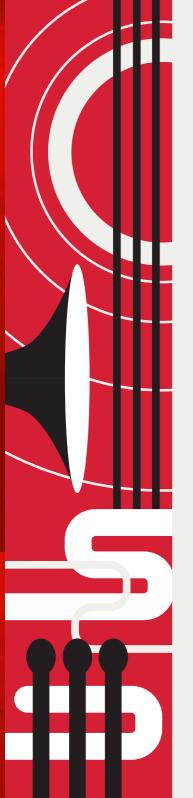


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# DANA SCHOOL OF MUSIC

**Presents** 

# YSU BAND INVITATIONAL

**Stambaugh Auditorium** 

Thursday, February 22, 2024 | 7:30 PM

# **Bay High School Symphonic Band**

Darren Allen, music director

# Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School Wind Ensemble

Steve Cocchiola, music director

# **YSU Percussion Ensemble**

Glenn Schaft, director Brennan Rivers, assistant director

# **YSU Wind Ensemble**

Michael S. Butler, music director Brad Granville, horn soloist

Benjamin Rochford, invitational clinician





# **PROGRAM**

III, IV for Percussion Notes	lohanna	Bever	(1888-1944)
			(1000-1744)

# YSU PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

Dragonfly	Katahi Copley (b. 1998)
Mid-American Sketches	Ryan Nowlin (b. 1978)
El Relicario	Jose Padilla (1889-1960) arr. Robert Longfield

# **BAY HIGH SCHOOL SYMPHONIC BAND**

The Sinfonians	Clifton Williams (1923-1976)
Be Thou My Vision	Traditional
	arr. Travis Cross (b.1977)
Metroplex Three Postcards from Manhattan	Robert Sheldon (b. 1954)

# BRECKSVILLE-BROADVIEW HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL WIND ENSEMBLE

Festive Overture	Dmitri Shostakovich (1906-1975)
Zirk	Scott Boerma (b. 1964)
Brad Granville, horn	
All My Heart	Michael Markowski (b. 1986)

# YSU WIND ENSEMBLE

# **ENSEMBLE BIOGRAPHIES**

### **ABOUT THE YSU BANDS & YSU WIND ENSEMBLE**

The wind band program at YSU includes a wide array of performance groups, from concert bands and chamber ensembles to athletic bands, including the YSU Marching Pride. Hundreds of students perform in these ensembles each year.

The wind band program at Youngstown State University has a rich history of collaboration with musical artists, including some of the most distinguished composers, conductors, and performers of our time to provide transformative experiences for our musical community. Notable artists include Michael Colgrass, Sean Jones, Joseph Schwantner, Donald Sinta, Allen Vizzutti, and many more. This collaboration frequently includes participating and leading commissions to propel the wind repertoire forward. The Wind Ensemble has had the honor of performing at prestigious venues throughout the United States, including repeated performances at the OMEA Conference, CBDNA Regional and National Conferences, MENC National Conference, ASBDA National Conference, and the world-renowned Carnegie Hall. The group has released a total of seven professionally produced and critically acclaimed CDs.

The YSU Wind Ensemble, directed by Dr. Michael S. Butler, is the premier concert band in the Dana School of Music and consists of the top wind and percussion students. The Wind Ensemble performs a wide range of music, including contemporary literature and standard repertoire, to ensure students receive exposure to the finest music written for the medium. In 2023, the Wind Ensemble performed at the prestigious Severance Hall, home of the Cleveland Orchestra, and was selected as one of the top small university wind ensembles in the nation, and their performance was featured at the national CBDNA Convention.

# **ENSEMBLE BIOGRAPHIES**

### ABOUT THE YSU PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

Notable YSU Percussion Ensemble performances include the Percussive Arts Society 2018 International Convention in Indianapolis, Percussive Arts Society Ohio Chapter Days of Percussion at Capital University, Ohio Northern University, Youngstown State University, and Ohio Music Education Association Conferences in Cleveland, Columbus, and Cincinnati.

An important part of our mission involves collaborations with composers in the commissioning, premiering, and critically acclaimed recording of their works. Our 2005 release "Dark Wood" includes six premiere recordings and commissions. Our commission project with New York City-based percussionist/composer John Hollenbeck on his "Ziggurat" for five percussionists and four saxophonists, was premiered at the Whitney Museum of Contemporary Art in New York City, and is available on his 2008 release "Rainbow Jimmies." The Youngstown Percussion Collective's 2012 release "Forms Of Things Unknown" is a concert-length suite by YSU professor of jazz studies, bass, and composition, Dr. Dave Morgan.

Dr. Schaft and the YSU Percussion Studio wish to thank the Avedis Zildjian cymbal company, Remo Inc. drumheads and world percussion, Vic Firth Inc. sticks and mallets, and Black Swamp Percussion for their product and artist support.

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# **PERSONNEL**

# YSU WIND ENSEMBLE

**FLUTE** 

Suzanne Bevilacqua Laura Bowden Miva DeBolt

Saralyn Joiner Aeva Richard

**BASSOON** 

Aiden Hite

**CLARINET** 

Julie Douglas Katie Farrington Ellie Schrier Jaxon Stewart Jordan Vannoy

Sami Weinkoetz

**BASS CLARINET** 

Kaela Lawson

**ALTO SAXOPHONE** 

Georgia Dale
Ouinten Harkness

**TENOR SAXOPHONE** 

EJ Paucar

**BARITONE SAXOPHONE** 

Nicholas Komara

**TRUMPET** 

Ryan Bowden
Julian Davis

Nathan Gallagher Adam Hershberger

Katie Markielowski

Noah Mooney Luke Whorten

HORN

Brandon Brown Jesse Crownover Jared Giovannone

**TROMBONE** 

Quinton Miller

Daniel Chandra Emma Fleischaker Jacob Norton

Luke Walters

**BASS TROMBONE** 

Peter Sapkowski

**EUPHONIUM** 

Jacob Sizer Xiaoyu Xing

**TUBA** 

Ryan Lamb Ben Hemming

**STRING BASS** 

Shane Hogle

**PIANO** 

Sam Nabring

**PERCUSSION** 

Rachel Davidson Stephen Dorbish Brennan Rivers Jacob Potts Evan Stefancin

Brett Weigel

YSU PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

Jacob Annapolen Emma Best Anthony DeMain Michael Daniels

Rachel Davidson

Stephen Dorbish Nicholas Grabigel Jaima Howell

Blake Maurice

Jacob Potts Brennan Rivers Evan Stefancin Brett Weigel

# **PERSONNEL**

# **BAY HIGH SCHOOL SYMPHONIC BAND**

### **FLUTE**

Kathryn Davey Kathryn McFarland Mary Catherine Murtaugh Ava Phelan Faith Teutschbein

# **OBOE**

Marie Hunt

# **BASSOON**

Emma Lindway

# **CLARINET**

Maggie Buttrick Kierstan Baumgartner Helen Harvey Matt Jennings Clara Lang Brooklyn Marriott Grace Pierce Keller Shea Grace Somerville

# **BASS CLARINET**

Joe Palmowski

### **ALTO SAXOPHONE**

Owen Davey
Noah Cooley
Alana-Faye Conley
Cassius Pruitt
Tenor Sax
Laila Fiorentino

# **BARITONE SAXOPHONE**

Connor Bush

### **TRUMPET**

Harvey Belveal
Eva Hinajosa
Maia Jones
Kellie Keane
Dylan Schlass
Connor Spellman
Grant Steiskal
Elliott Trefz
Evan Trnavsky

# **FRENCH HORN**

Oliver Brown Chloe Hoban Keira Krumbine Blaise Linseneyer Gwynn Miller

### **TROMBONE**

Owen Appenheimer Delany Carter Ewan Moss Peyton Myers Nick Lucak Gretchen Nagel Aidan O'Keefe

# **EUPHONIUM**

Alexa Feicks
Sam Harrington
John Weber

### **TUBA**

Devon Gerig Zachary Graham Holly Lucas Evelyn Ray

# **PERCUSSION**

Ella Deibel
Jacob Dwyer
Rocco Ereditario
Andrew Feizli
Max Fischer
Wyatt Gillespie
Sascha Jones
James Kelly
Brian Murphy
Max Newton
Trey Hileman
Nicholas Szekely
Logan Yeager

# **ENSEMBLE BIOGRAPHIES**

# ABOUT THE BAY HIGH SCHOOL BAND PROGRAM

Band has always been a significant part of the Bay Schools. We have consistently received superior ratings from OMEA large group contest dating back to 1954. The Bay High "Rocket" Marching Band remains the most visible aspect of the instrumental music program. The non-competitive show band performs regularly across Northeast Ohio at football games and band shows each fall. The Marching Band has also paraded through the Magic Kingdom, most recently in 2021. Bay High School has just under 800 students, but boasts two wind bands and two jazz ensembles. The top jazz group plays throughout the Cleveland and Akron area at some of the top jazz clubs. The Bay Village School District has been ranked a Best Community for Music Education by NAMM every year since 2003.

# ABOUT THE BRECKSVILLE-BROADVIEW HEIGHTS BAND PROGRAM

The BBHHS Band Program maintains an enduring tradition of pride and excellence in music and marching, seeking to provide students with an experience that is both artistically and personally rewarding. The BBHHS Band has four curricular bands: Symphonic Band, Concert Winds, Jazz Band and Wind Ensemble.

The Wind Ensemble is the top performing ensemble at Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School. Admittance into this ensemble is based on auditions and demands the highest commitment to a performing ensemble. The Wind Ensemble has performed at OMEA Large Group Adjudicated Event, Kent State University, Cleveland State University and Severance Hall for the Northeast Ohio Band Invitational three times. The Wind Ensemble is honored to be performing at Youngstown State University and would like to thank Dr. Butler and the staff for the opportunity to be a part of this concert.

### **PERSONNEL**

## BRECKSVIEW-BROADVIEW HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL WIND ENSEMBLE

### **FLUTE**

Skylar Speeth Lyla Doucette Eric Pitzer

Zoe Galicki Kayla Kosla

Calix Zukauckas

### OBOE

Haydyn Kirby

### **CLARINET**

Annie Dickhaut Camille Yu Olivia Naffah Abigail Fening Kelissa Garten Aashvi Kenia

### **BASS CLARINET**

Ryan Kerber Gryffen Albainy

### ALTO SAXOPHONE

Trevor Madsen Charlotte Zurowski Landon Shaw Mithily Patel Leila Gajkowski Ben Stone

### TENOR SAXOPHONE

Gabrielle Svoboda

Maria Madi

### **BARITONE SAXOPHONE**

Elise Miller

### **FRENCH HORN**

Abigail Gomos Eden Piotrowski Samantha Magalski

### **TRUMPET**

Noah Madsen Quinn Brown Philip Packard Zachary Toghill Sophia Moss Alex Zawadzki Liya Sebastian

### **TROMBONE**

John Uhlir

Nicholas Thompson Jacob Astey Jack Keller Ryan Stewart

### **EUPHONIUM**

Cameron Molina Derek Patton Lydia Smith Luke Riddles

### **TUBA**

Parker Ely Brayden Horne

### **PERCUSSION**

Dawson Still Reese Schoenknecht Aiden Zumwalt Jaime Fishman Simon Still Colby Hatcher Aydn Cale

### **ABOUT THE CONDUCTORS**

### **MICHAEL S. BUTLER**

Dr. Michael S. Butler serves as the Director of Bands at Youngstown State University in the Dana School of Music. In this role, he oversees all facets of the university's band and orchestra program, conducting the Wind Ensemble, Symphony Orchestra, and the Dana Faculty Ensemble, and also serves as the Music Director for the YSU Youth Orchestra.

Since joining YSU in 2021, Dr. Butler has diligently upheld the rich and strong legacy of musical excellence. Under his guidance, the Wind Ensemble has consistently earned prestigious accolades for their outstanding performances. In 2023, the ensemble received multiple honors for excellence, securing second place in The American Prize Wind Ensemble category and was selected as one of the finest small university wind ensembles to showcase at the National College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA) conference. Furthermore, the ensemble had the honor of performing at the 2023 Northeast Ohio Band Invitational held at Severance Hall, home of The Cleveland Orchestra. Invitations for performances at the 2024 CBDNA North Central Conference and Ohio Music Educators Association Conference underscore Dr. Butler's commitment to musical excellence.

The National Band Association has recognized Dr. Butler with multiple Citations of Excellence for his significant contributions to wind bands. Serving actively as a clinician, adjudicator, and guest conductor, he has conducted ensembles such as the United States Army Band 'Pershing's Own' and the United States Army Field Band. Dr. Butler is a proud alumnus of Tennessee Technological University (B.M.) and the University of Florida (M.M. and Ph.D.).

### **DARREN ALLEN**

Darren Allen (he/him) was born and raised in the Cleveland area. He has worked in the Bay Village School District since 2005, where the music program has been named a Top Music Community in the United States since 2003. He has been head band director at Bay High School since 2006, and has served as music department chair since 2010. His duties in Bay Village include High School marching band, jazz ensemble, symphonic band, concert band, and 5th and 6th grade bands at the Middle School. Mr. Allen is a member of Phi Beta Mu (the international bandmasters fraternity) and the American School Band Directors Association. As a conductor and composer, he works with the Cleveland Youth Wind Symphony (CYWS), which performs regularly at Severance

Hall. Mr. Allen has participated in six CYWS European tours, including Spain/ Portugal, Poland/Hungary, Germany/Netherlands, France/Austria, Italy, and the U.K. He has also written many compositions for wind band. Mr. Allen received his master's degree in music education from Case Western Reserve University. He completed his undergraduate work at Youngstown State University, where he was featured on a recording of Bernstein's West Side Story Suite with the YSU Wind Ensemble and on the Jazz Ensemble I album, Lester Left Town. While studying at YSU, he was also chosen as the only drummer from the state for the 2002 OMEA Intercollegiate Jazz Ensemble. Mr. Allen performs extensively throughout the Cleveland area with numerous jazz groups, including the Skatch Anderssen Orchestra and the Don Kubec Big Band. Mr. Allen and his spouse Alice, a harpist, perform together in the Parma Symphony Orchestra and the Cleveland Winds.

### STEVE COCCHIOLA

Steven Cocchiola is the Band and Orchestra Director at Brecksville-Broadview Heights, where he conducts the Chamber Orchestra, Concert Orchestra, String Orchestra, Symphonic Band, Concert Winds, Wind Ensemble and directs the Marching Bees.He is the past All-Region Orchestra Chair for the Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) and also serves as an adjudicator for OMEA and as a clinician throughout the state of Ohio. Prior to his appointment at Brecksville-Broadview Heights in 2005, Mr. Cocchiola taught orchestra students in elementary, middle and high school programs throughout the Tampa Bay area for several years. A native of Queens, New York, he holds a Bachelors degree in Music Education from The University of South Florida and his Masters Degree from TUI University in California. He is a member of the National Association for Music Education (NAfME), Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA), Florida Music Educators Association (FMEA), Percussive Arts Society, and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

### **GLENN SCHAFT**

Glenn Schaft is Professor and Director of Percussion Studies at Youngstown State University, performs with the Faculty Jazz Group, is founder and faculty advisor of the Youngstown Percussion Collective — a student organization and a longstanding member of the Percussive Arts Society. Please visit glennschaft. com Glenn wishes to thank his artist endorsement partners Avedis Zildjian Co. (cymbals), Remo Inc. (drumheads and world percussion), Vic Firth Inc. (sticks and mallets), and Black Swamp Percussion (accessory percussion) for their product and artist support.

### **BENJAMIN ROCHFORD**

Benjamin Rochford joined the Ithaca College School of Music in 2016 and currently serves as the Associate Director of Bands. At IC, Rochford conducts the Wind Symphony and Concert Band and teaches courses in instrumental conducting and brass pedagogy. Prior to his appointment at Ithaca College, Mr. Rochford was a Doctoral Conducting Associate and PhD candidate at the University of Florida and also served as Director of Bands at the Valley Grove School District in Franklin, Pennsylvania. While at the University of Florida, his responsibilities included directing the UF Concert Band, assisting with the athletic bands, and teaching courses in conducting, music education, jazz improvisation, jazz history, and philosophy. In addition, Mr. Rochford managed marketing and promotional materials for the band department and assisted with the UF Wind Symphony and Jazz Band.

Mr. Rochford completed a bachelors degree in Music Education from Mansfield University of Pennsylvania and a Masters degree in Instrumental Conducting from Youngstown State University in Ohio. Mr. Rochford's primary conducting influences include Dr. David Waybright, Dr. Stephen Gage, Dr. Adam Brennan, and Dr. Nathan Rinnert. Mr. Rochford has also participated in conducting symposiums with Ray Cramer, Tom Leslie, Robert Garofalo, and Ed Lisk, Rodney Dorsey and participated in Beethoven conducting master classes with Svilen Simeonov, director of the Sofia Sinfonietta in Bulgaria. He recently was a participant in a conducting presentation by Craig Kirchhoff at the South Eastern CBDNA conference in Charleston, SC.

Mr. Rochford served as Director of Bands at the Valley Grove School District in Pennsylvania where he was responsible for overseeing the entire 5-12 instrumental music program. At Valley Grove, Mr. Rochford directed the district's athletic bands, jazz combo, and elementary, middle, and high school bands. He hosted and managed the PMEA District III Jazz Festival in 2012. He has also given presentation in Pennsylvania, New York, and Florida on a variety of topics including jazz improvisation, rehearsal techniques, student motivation, and authentic student self assessment within the paradigm of Harvard Project Zero and Arts PROPEL.

Mr. Rochford's professional affiliations include the National Association for Music Education, National Education Association, Florida Music Education Association, Florida Bandmasters Association, New York State School Music Education Association, New York State Band Directors Association, Jazz Education Network, and the International Trumpet Guild. He was elected into the Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society in 2012.

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### YSU CONCERT BAND

Dr. Kate Ferguson, conductor



February 27, 2024 at 7:30 pm Stambaugh Auditorium



### **PROGRAM**

### STAMBAUGH YOUTH CONCERT BAND

The Star Spangled BannerFrancis Scott Key (1779-1843) ed. Smith
The Purple PageantKarl L. King (1891-1971)
Havana in the Fifties for Saxophone QuintetDenis DiBlasio(b.1954)
Trio for Triangles #2Craig Mason (b.1972)
The Last to Defend
ScherzoJohn Cheetham (b.1939)
NovenaJames Swearingen (b.1947)

### YSU CONCERT BAND

Farewell to a Slavic Woman.......Vasily Agapkin (1884-1964)

Sòlas Ané......Samuel Hazo (b.1966)

The Wishing Well.....Rossano Galante (b.1967)

Benjamin Hemming, Conductor

Lord Tullamore......Carl Wittrock (b.1966)



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Flute
Madeleine Beal
Chloe Gill
Malkyiah Grant
Jet Li
Patrick O' Leary
Holly Smith
Meredith Walter

<u>Bassoon</u> Leo Rice Preston Thigpen

Clarinet
Lorelei Bayer
Anthony Bender
Aiden Cole
Alyssa Davis
Alyce Forson
Emma Gazzaniga
Lina Gushert
Ilhaan Khan
Sam LaHart
Morgan Nowak
Alaina Schluneker
Cat Spor
Ryan Utterback

Bass Clarinet Liberty Bradley Delaney Crytzer Jester St. John

Alto Saxophone
Quincy Bailey
Lucas Buchheit
Matthew Butch
Colton Carli
Amber Crawford
Joseph Lowe

Tenor Saxophone
Tyler Gulosh
Dominic Nohra
Tommy Pavlansky

Baritone Saxophone Marley Barker Jacob Boggs

Trumpet
Shane Andrews
Sarah Bailey
Michael Baniecki
Emma Cartwright
Jackson Corbett
Devon Grant
Ethan Hauser
Jennifer Johnson
Niko Kowalick
Kyle Rogers
Javin Shafer
Brayden Smith
Rachel Snyder

Horn
Paige Lawton
Aurora Sensabaugh
Aurora Sleigh

Trombone
Xavier Butler
Issac Hardin
Cody Harhkam
Ryllee McDaniel
Gavin McMurdy
Harrison Miller
Brennon Mitchell
Kathryn Semer

Euphonium Liam Fiest Dorian Henthorn Brady Mager Grayson Martz Evin Tura

Tuba Jarod Bates Emma Hawkins

Percussion
Samuel Brodnan
DJ Godfrey
Luke Hull
William Prowitt
Daniel Ring
Michael Sandy
Noah Young



### YSU CONCERT BAND

Dr. Kate Ferguson, conductor

### Flute

Alissa Erwin, Niles Allie Heckman, Howland Kaitlyn Livingston, Lakewood Natalie Piecuch, Southington Courtney Ross, Youngstown Kris Tufaro, Poland Jordan Pope, Austintown Samantha Schuster, Sheffield Village

### Clarinet

Preston Becker, Cuyahoga Falls Grace Beil, Lisbon Livia Rhodes, Southington

### <u>Bass Clarinet</u> Jamie Beasley, Hubbard

### Alto Saxophone

Kiana Hodges, Lima Faith Mack, Allison Park, PA Caroline Manjerovic, Hookstown, PA Ben Morrow, Sterling

### Tenor Saxophone

Brinly Haley, Ellwood City, PA Stephanie Simon, Boston, MA

### Baritone Saxophone

Mckayla Matter, Reynoldsburg

### Trumpet

Ryan Francis, Niles Benjamin Hemming, New Lebanon Logan Kaminski , Edinburg, PA Alyssa Moore, Wetumpka, AL Aiden O'Brien, Mineral Ridge

### Horn

Isabella Parsons, Catlettsburg, KY David Callendar, Pittsburgh, PA Han Edwards, Canfield Allison Rowe, Leavittsburg

### Trombone

Cole Castle, Minerva Bella George, Fairview Park Robin Hodge, Cincinnati Morgan Rolley, Cortland Gavin Saxey, Canfield

### Euphonium

Sofia Farhan, Howland Manoli Kondolios, Howland

### Tuba

Luther Jackson, Boardman Abram LeComte, West Middlesex, PA John Waldman, Warren Jason Hafner, Warren

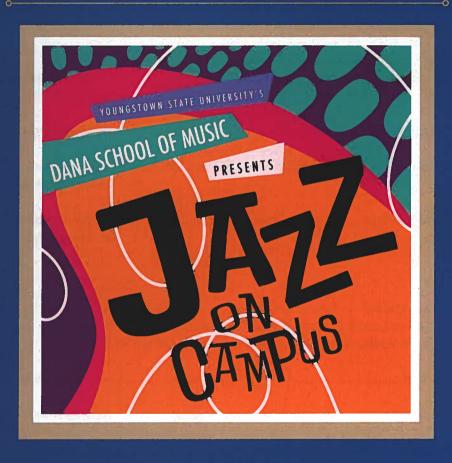
### Percussion

Jacob Annapolan, Pittsburgh, PA Emma Best, Burghill Anthony DeMain, Youngstown Sam Nabring, Aurora Nick Rzodkiewicz, New Castle, PA



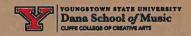
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## JAZZ COMBOS



Spotlight Theater, BLISS HALL, YSU THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29 | 7:30 PM

DAVE MORGAN & DAVE KANA, INSTRUCTORS



## Program

Jazz Quintet — Dave Kana
Zach Fleischman, saxophone; Osa Omoregie, guitar;
Carter Ulery, piano; Shane Hogle, bass; Evan Stefancin, drums
Jaywalkin'Niels Henning Orsted Pedersen
Arr. Shane Hogle
7tii. Dimie Hogie
Song For the BursarShane Hogle
Song For the bursar
Bolks Date and Mannhaums Limmy Van Haysan & Johnny Durks
Polka Dots and MoonbeamsJimmy Van Heusen & Johnny Burke Arr. Zach Fleischman
Art. Zach Fielschman
Total Agent and Allen
Dark PrinceJohn McLaughlin
Arr. Shane Hogle
Jazz Quintet — Dave Morgan
Thomas Landry, trumpet; Mason Ciesielski, saxophone;
Aaron White, piano; Aidan Plank, bass; Nick Grabigel, drums
Aegis
IcarusRalph Towner
Think of OneThelonious Monk
Harmonization by Robert Glasper
Timinom by Moore Olimpus
Blues for Trane
DIGG TOT TT GET
Can He Wheel Her?
Call He W neel Hel!

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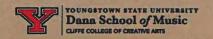
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**APR 26** 

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## Stephen Mattingly & Sidney King

Guitar & Double Bass Guest Artist Recital



Tuesday, March 12, 2024 7:30 pm, Bliss Recital Hall



### **PROGRAM**

Five Dances (20	ve Dances (2003)Annette Kr	
		(b. 1958)
May Songs (20	15)	Sidney King
I.	Morning Dance	(b. 1959)
II.	Solea	
Six Miniatures	for Guitar and Bass (2018)	Harriet Steinke
I.	Exposition	(b. 1994)
II.	Nocturne	
III	Interlude	
IV.	Recitative	
$\mathbf{v}$	Waltz	
VI.	Chorale	
Suite para Cor	itrabaio y Guitarra Flamenca (2007).	Andrés Martín
- I.	Lamento	(b. 1981)
II.	Cancion	, ,
III.	Milongitana	

### **BIOGRAPHIES**

**STEPHEN MATTINGLY** – guitarist, has been warmly received by audiences in the United States and Europe as a soloist and as a founding member of the Tantalus Quartet.

Stephen enjoys a vibrant teaching career directing classical guitar studies as Professor of Guitar at the **University of Louisville**, where he has been recognized as a distinguished professor for creative activity. His students are successfully earning top-prizes in competitions and graduate awards at lauded programs across the US and in Europe. The **University of Louisville Guitar Studio** typically includes 12-15 graduate and undergraduate students in degree programs including music education, music therapy, new media, and performance. Graduates of the UofL guitar studio hold teaching appointments at the secondary and post-secondary levels.

Stephen earned a Doctorate of Music and a Theory Pedagogy Certificate at the Florida State University under the instruction of renowned pedagogue **Bruce Holzman**. Prior to his doctoral studies, Stephen completed a two-year residence in Germany where he was awarded an Artist Diploma while studying with **Dale Kavanagh** at the Hochschule für Musik Detmold. Stephen also studied with **Oscar Ghiglia** at the Accademia Musicale Chigiana in Siena, Italy. Prior to his work in Europe, Stephen studied with **Nicholas Goluses** at the esteemed Eastman School of Music where he earned a Master's and a Bachelor Degree with distinction, a Certificate in Arts Leadership, and a Performer's Certificate.

Recordings by Stephen Mattingly and by the Tantalus Quartet are available online at **iTunes**, **CD Baby**, and **Soundset Recordings**. More information at <u>www.StephenMattingly.com</u>.

SIDNEY A. KING'S multi-faceted career as a double bassist, composer and arranger spans over three decades. Since 1992, he has performed at the orchestra of the Grand Teton Music Festival, often serving in titled positions. He has served as principal bassist with the Houston Grand Opera, the Texas Opera Theater, the Sunflower Music Festival, and the Des Moines Metro Opera, and has performed with the symphonies of the Detroit, Cincinnati, Houston, Pittsburgh, Indianapolis and Nashville, as well as the Louisiana Philharmonic and the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra. He held the position of assistant principal bassist of the Louisville Orchestra from 1984-2006. As a recitalist, Mr. King has presented solo performances at universities and conservatories throughout North America. Recent performances include recitals at the University of Minnesota, Florida State University, University of Tennessee, University of Memphis, University of Iowa, and the University of Costa Rica in San Jose, CR.

Mr. King serves as Professor of Double Bass and Music Education at the University of Louisville School of Music. He was double bass faculty/artist at the Sewanee Summer Music Festival, 2005-2017. He also served on the Board of Directors of the American String Teachers Association (2016-2018) and the International Society of Bassists (2003-2005). Mr. King was named the 2021 College/University Teacher of the Year by the Kentucky Music Educators Association. In 2011 and 2015, he was named Teacher of the Year by the American String Teachers Association of Kentucky.

### - UPCOMING SPRING GUITAR EVENTS

APR 22 Dana Guitar Ensemble Recital
Bliss Recital Hall, YSU | 7:30 PM

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APR 24

Dana Guitar Ensemble Recital
Butler Institute of American Art | Noon (12:15 PM)

Guest Artist Performance & Jazz Guitar

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## YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY Jazz Combos



Butler Museum of American Art WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13 | 12:15 PM

DAVE MORGAN, INSTRUCTOR

## Program

### **PROGRAM**

### Jazz Quintet

Thomas Landry, trumpet; Mason Ciesielski, saxophone; Aaron White, piano; Aidan Plank, bass; Nick Grabigel, drums

Aegis	
Icarus	Ralph Towner
Think of One	Thelonious Monk Harmonization by Robert Glasper
Blues for Trane	Mason Ciesielski
Can Ha Whaal Har?	Nick Grabigal

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**GUEST ARTIST RECITAL & MASTERCLASS:** 

## Ebonee Thomas, Flute Diane Gazvac, Piano

Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 12:00 pm Bliss Recital Hall, Youngstown State University



### **PROGRAM**

YSU Flute Ensemble Opener

Streaming Green ...... Nancy Galbraith (b. 1951)

Laura Bowden Miya DeBolt Jordan Pope Allie Heckman Andriy Lassowsky Aeva Richard Sam Schuster

Kathryn Thomas Umble, Director

Guest Artist Recital Ebonee Thomas, Flute & Diane Yazvac, Piano

Poem ...... Charles Griffes (1884-1920)

Trois Pieces ...... Pierre-Octave Ferroud (1900-1936)

Bergère captive Jade Toan-Yan

Hall of Ghosts ...... Amanda Harberg (b. 1973) Legends for Flute and Piano ...... Valerie Coleman (b.1970) Lin-Fa, The Lotus Lily Dagda's Harp Gaia El Encierro Sonata for Flute and Piano, op. 23 Lowell Liebermann (b.1961) Lento Presto Intermission Flute Masterclass with Ebonee Thomas Diane Yazvac, Piano Aeva Richard, flute Brian Richard, quitar Suite de trois morceaux, op. 116 .... Benjamin Godard (1849-1895) Idylle Suzanne Bevilacqua, flute Touching the Ether ...... Ian Clarke (b.1964) Mia Heron, flute Suite for Flute and Jazz Piano Trio ..... Claude Bolling (1930-2020) Sentimentale Sara Joiner, flute Sonatina ...... Eldin Burton (1913-1981) Allegretto grazioso Laura Bowden, flute



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Todd Ranney, baritone Misook Yun, soprano Da Eun Choi, piano







March 21st, 2024 at 7:30 pm Bliss Recital Hall



YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY Dana School of Music CLIFFE COLLEGE OF CREATIVE ARTS

## AN EVENING OF OPERA DUETS & ARIAS

### Program

Overture & "Si può? Si può? Ruggero "Stridono lassu" & "Sei là?" from Pagliacci	Leoncavallo (1857-1919)	
Tonio & Nedda		
"Ora noi sedate qui" & "Che tua madre"Giaco from Madama Butterfly	omo Puccini (1858-1924)	
Sharpless & Butterfly		
"Mimi speravo di trovarvi qui"Giacci from <i>La Bohème</i>	omo Puccini (1858-1924)	
Marcello & Mimi		
"Pura siccome un angelo"Gius from La Traviata	seppe Verdi (1813-1901)	
Germont & Violetta		
We Love the Opera	.Ben Moore b. 1960	
Husband & Wife		

## Biographies

### Todd E. Ranney

Todd E. Ranney, baritone, has performed over 100 productions throughout the Midwest with the Michigan Opera Theater, Cleveland Opera, Des Moines Metro Opera, Opera Iowa, Ohio Light Opera, Lyric Opera Cleveland, and Dayton Opera. Some of his roles include Figaro, Don Giovanni, Guglielmo, Papageno, Marcello, Tonio, Germont, and Sharpless. He has been a featured soloist three times with the Cleveland Orchestra and has sung with the symphony orchestras of Dayton, Akron, Lakeside, Wooster, and the Cleveland Pops.

Dr. Ranney is a Professor of Voice and Opera at Mansfield University of Pennsylvania where he has directed and produced numerous operas including: The Marriage of Figaro, Die Zauberflöte, Cosi fan Tutte, The Consul, Die Fledermaus, The Merry Wives of Windsor, The Crucible, Albert Herring, The Gondoliers and others. He also is the music director/conductor for Mansfield University's musical productions having just performed Kiss Me Kate and The Phantom of the Opera last year. He completed his DMA at The Ohio State University in voice with an emphasis in choral conducting and vocal pedagogy. He has additionally sung with the Akron Baroque Orchestra singing Bach Cantata #82 Ich habe genug.

Dr. Ranney performed 12 seasons with Cleveland Opera as an Associate Artist appearing in numerous productions at the State Theater in Playhouse Square. He is the founding Artistic Director of Akron Lyric Opera Theatre and is the Organist and Choir Director at Grace Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Hudson Ohio. No stranger to Youngstown OH, he staged a production of L'amico Fritz for Youngstown State University' opera workshop two years ago. Additionally he has sung with Western Opera Reserve in productions of La Boheme and Pagliacci. He is a member of NATS (National Association of Teachers of Singing), AGO (American Organist Guild), OMEA (Ohio Music Educators Association) and Phi Mu Alpha.

### Misook Yun

Praised as a singer of "exquisite clarity" and "virtuosity," lyric soprano Misook Yun has performed in Italy, Austria, Hungary, South Korea, and the U.S. An accomplished operatic performer, Ms. Yun has appeared in the roles of Donna Anna, Mimi, Cio Cio San, Nedda, Tosca, Santuzza, Micaela, Adina High Priestess in Aida, and Violetta. As a concert soloist, Yun's major performances include Chants d'Auvergne, Elijah, Faure's Requiem, Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5,

Schubert Mass in G, Mozart's Requiem, Magnificat, Haydn's The Creation, Four Last Songs (Strauss), Mahler's Symphony No. 2, Carmina Burana, Beethoven's 9th Symphony, and Messiah. She performed with companies including Youngstown Symphony Orchestra, Tucson Symphony Orchestra, Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra, Fort Collins Symphony Orchestra, Warren Philharmonic Orchestra, Cleveland Philharmonic Orchestra, Greenville Symphony Orchestra, Cascadia Chamber Opera Festival, Opera Fort Collins, Rogue Opera, Opera Western Reserve, Bayshore Lyric Opera, Valley Lyric Opera, Opera Circle, Eugene Opera, and Youngstown Opera Guild. Yun won the audience choice award at the Classical Singer Convention in May 2010 in New York City. Her other competition winnings include the Northwest Regional finalist of the Metropolitan Opera National Council Audition, the concerto competition at the University of Oregon, and first prize of the Paul & Lillian Petri Scholarship Competition which enabled her to study in Italy and Austria during the summer of 1997. She has also been a semi-finalist in the Vera Scammon International Vocal Competition, and the audience choice award at the Classical Singer Convention in May 2010 in New York City. Accomplished pedagogue, in the summer of 2004, she was one of the twelve National Association of Teachers of Singing interns chosen throughout the North America. Recently she participated OperaWorks'Artist Teacher Training program. Ms. Yun has been invited to be part of summer faculty at Summer Music Study in Hungary program in Szeged, ArsDocta International Music Festival, and adjudicator at 7th Singapore Performers' Festival & Chamber Music Competition. Dr. Yun is a professor at the Dana School of Music, Youngstown State University.

### Da Eun Choi

A native of South Korea, Da Eun Choi is a pianist who enjoys performing in a variety of genres, including solo and ensemble music.

She has earned her Doctoral Musical Arts degree in Piano Performance at the University of Texas at Austin as a recipient of the Sidney M. Wright Endowed Presidential Scholarship under the tutelage of Gregory Allen. She also received both Master of Music degree and Graduate Performance Diploma from the Peabody Conservatory of the Johns Hopkins University, where she studied with Alexander Shtarkman and served as Music Theory Graduate Assistant for Dr. Vern C. Falby, and a Bachelor of Music degree with summa cum laude from Hanyang University, Seoul in Korea with Young In Lee and Min Sook Kim.

Currently, she is a staff pianist at Youngstown State University and principal pianist at Lima Symphony Orchestra. Before coming to Youngstown, she served as a staff pianist and adjunct instructor at Bluffton University from 2018 to 2023.

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Youngstown St. Columba Cathedral

March 25, 2024 | 7:30 PM



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### **DANA CHORALE**

Alleluia	Eric Whitacre (b. 1970)
Julia Mosher & Antonio Geo	
Sure on This Shining Night N Erika Walker, conducto	
Past Life Melodies  Overtone soli:  Maria Anastasiades, Andrew Gurdak, N  Belita Rubante, Emilio Santiago, an	icholas McGoogan,
VOICES OF YSU	
Hear This Voice	Traditional
Erev Shel Shoshanim Joseph Hadar (1926-	-2006), arr. Jack Klebanow
The Music's Always There With You	John Rutter (b. 1945)
DANA CHORALE	
Prayer of the Children Kurt Bestor (b.	1958), arr. Andrea Klouse
Baba Yetu (Lord's Prayer in Swahili)	Christopher Tin (b. 1976)
Mekhi Dawson-Mwangi and Erika	a Walker, soli
Rachel Davidson & Nicholas Dree	s, percussion



### **DANA CHORALE & VOICES OF YSU**

With Accompanying Film by OPUS, Hefin Owen, producer Erika Walker, mezzo-soprano (3) Laura Bowden, flute; Thomas Landry, trumpet Rachel Davidson, & Nicholas Drees, percussion

Dana Chorale and Voices of YSU

Hae-Jong Lee, conductor DaEun Choi, piano

- 1. The Armed Man
  - 3. Kyrie
  - 5. Sanctus
- 6. Hymn Before Action
  - 10. Agnus Dei
  - 12. Benedictus
  - 13. Better Is Peace

Please hold your applause until the end of the last movement.

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Dr. Hae-Jong Lee, Director Dr. DaEun Choi, Accompanist Erika Walker, Graduate Assistant

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Maria Anastasiades Alana DeBord Jaelynn Mack Julia Mosher Ellie Owen Emma Price Belita Rubante Erika Walker

### ALTO

Christan Craig Noelle DelGarbino Sarah Law Caroline Mclaughlin Haley Reynolds Victoria Seckman

### TENOR

Antonio George Chase Kemp Andrew Myers Benjamin Podnar Emilio Santiago Michael Sheely

### BASS

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### BASS

Ayush Mahat Declan Tighe

### **\*** UPCOMING CONCERTS \*

### Dana Chorale with Stambaugh Chorus and Orchestra

"Peace Concert" performing *The Armed Man* by Karl Jenkins April 14, 2024 (Sunday, 4:00 PM) St. Joseph Parish, Austintown, OH

### Dana Spring Opera - Little Women

April 26 & 28, 2024

Ford Theater, Bliss Hall, Youngstown State University







Wednesday, March 27, 2024 | 3:00 PM − 4:00 PM Youngstown State University, Bliss Recital Hall

## **PROGRAM**

Piano Sonata No. 9 in E major, Op. 14, No. 1 ...... Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Mvt. 1: Allegro

Ethan Shafer, piano

Piano Sonata in E minor, Op. 7. ..... Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)

Mvt. 1: Allegro moderato

Madison Sheffield, piano

## BIOGRAPHY

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### DANA SCHOOL OF MUSIC Masterclass

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# DR. KIM, PIANO MUSIC at Moon



Wednesday, March 27, 2024 | 12:15 PM − 1:15 PM The Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown

### **PROGRAM**

Davidsbündlertänze, Op.6 ...... Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

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## CLARINET & OBOE MASTERCLASS: AARON SCOTT

Thursday, March 28, 2024, 4:00 PM Bliss Recital Hall, Bliss Hall, YSU

### **PROGRAM**

### Introduction

Kapla Lawson

Mozart Concerto Exposition

Notal Contesto Exposition
Brahms Sonata No. 2 in E flat Major, Mvt I Jaxon Stewart with Dr. Da Eun Choi
Muczynski Time Pieces, Mvt. I and II Sami Weinkoetz with Dr. Da Eun Choi
Matt Ohlin: Schumann Fantasy Pieces, Mvt I and II Matt Ohlin with Dr. Da Eun Choi

### **Brief Q&A**

### CLARINET & ENGLISH HORN: AARON SCOTT & SHAWN REYNOLDS

Friday, March 29, 2024, 1:00 PM Bliss Recital Hall, Bliss Hall, YSU

#### **PROGRAM**

#### "Illegal Formation for clarinet in Eb and English horn in F" (2023)

By Jonathan Newmark

- I. Calliope
- II. Out of Breath
- III. Flourishes and Galop
- IV. Slithy

#### **Duo for Eb Clarinet and English Horn**

By Tedrow Perkins

- I. Chromolume #7
- II. Arhythmia
- III. Sugar Rush

#### **Duologisms for Clarinet in Eb and English horn**

By David Morgan

- Duologism 1
- Duologism 2
- Duologism 3
- Duologism 4



#### MUSIC Dana School of Music Clarinet Studio Recit Clarinet Studio Recital

Märchenerzählungen, O	p. 132	 Robert Schumann
		(1810 - 1856)

I. Lebhaft, nicht zu schnell

II. Lebhaft und sehr markiert

III. Ruhiges Tempo, mit zartem Ausdruck

Jasmine Tunac, viola Jaxon Stewart, clarinet Evan Barrett, piano

Sonata in B-flat Major ...... Franz Danzi (1763 - 1826)

I. Allegro

Ellie Schrier, clarinet Da Eun Choi, piano

Sonata for B-flat Clarinet & Piano ...... Amanda Harberg (b. 1973)

> II. Interlude III. Agitato

> > Sami Weinkoetz, clarinet Da Eun Choi, piano



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# YSU University Theatre USU Ford Theater & Bliss Hall











## Director's Note

Welcome to the Middle Ages! And the Jazz Age! And also the Golden Age! This musical has it all! Mary Rodgers's score for Mattress both honors and differentiates herself from her father Richard Rodgers while still being a part of the same Golden Age Style.

While in their studies, it is essential for YSU University Theatre students to develop the skills necessary to perform in the Golden Age Style! The blend of dancing, acting, simultaneous jazz and classical influence, as well as bold choices and larger-than-life characters were the staples of musicals from the 1920s to the late 1960s. Once Upon a Mattress opened on Broadway in 1959 at the absolute peak of this classic era of musical theatre, with newcomer Carol Burnett in the starring role of Winnifred the Woebegone. Since then it has been famously revived in 1996 with Sarah Jessica Parker and in 2024 with Sutton Foster.

I'm terribly pleased to share this wonderful piece of theatre with all of

# Show Summary

Many moons ago, in a far-off place, Queen Aggravain decreed no couples could marry until her son, Prince Dauntless, found a bride. Princesses came from far and wide to win the hand of the prince, but none could pass the impossible tests given to them by the Queen. That is, until the "shy" swamp princess, Winnifred the Woebegone, appeared. Would she be able to pass the Sensitivity Test, marry her prince, and help Lady Larken and Sir Harry to the altar? Carried on a wave of wonderful songs, by turns hilarious and raucous, romantic and melodic, this rollicking spin on the classic tale The Princess and the Pea provides some side-splitting shenanigans. For, after all, a princess is a delicate thing.





# Program

#### Act J OVERTURE

PROLOGUE: Many Moons Ago	Minstrel
SCENE 1: Opening For A Princess In A Little While	Dauntless, Larken, Ladies & Knights Harry & Larken
SCENE 2: In A Little While (Reprise)	Harry & Larken
SCENE 3: ShyWinnifred,	Dauntless, Queen, Ladies & Knights

SCENE 4:

#### Act JJ ENTR'ACTE

SCENE 1: Opening – Act II Everyone
SCENE 2: Happily Ever After
SCENE 3: Man to Man Talk King & Dauntless
SCENE 4: 3 O'clock in the Morning Orchestra
SCENE 5: Very Soft Shoes
SCENE 6: Yesterday I Loved You Harry & Larken
Yesterday I Loved You Harry & Larken  SCENE 7:
Yesterday I Loved You Harry & Larken  SCENE 7: Nightingale Lullaby



# Cast & Characters

Elise Vargo	Winnifred
Sam Nabring	Dauntless
Mallory Ehrhart	Queen Aggravain
Cyrus Dzikowski	King Sextimus
Chloe Downey	Lady Larken
Mekhi Dawson	Sir Harry
Sam Law	Wizard
Emalee Chappa	Jester
Ben Podnar	Minstrel

Grace Beil

Landon Eli

Nathan Franklin

Ryan Bedi

KJ Hudson

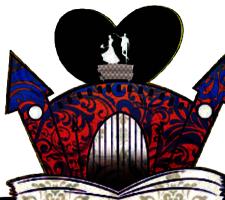
Brooke May

## Crew

Katherine Garlick Costume Designer
Aidan Holderfield Assistant Costume Designer
Jonathan Zelezniak Lighting Designer
Grace Beil, Nate Chapline, Lighting Crew Sam Law, Zakary Snyder
Lex McCaughtry
Sam Law, Gunnar Carwile, Lanee Sanger Scene Shop Lex McCaughtry, Merril Voytko Chloe Downey, Mal Ehrhart
Nick Atwood, Owen Bertram, Grace Beil,
John Bearss OUAM Light Board OP
Nate Chapline OUAM Sound Board OP
Romerio Dawkins Stage Crew
Natalie Ciccone, OUAM Wardrobe Crystal Fisher, Nicholas Figiel
Sarah Robles Fly Rail Anthony Vivacqua
Jan Cox, Rehearsal Accompanists

Special thanks to Jennifer Frank!

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# Pit Orchestra

Saralyn Joiner, flute

Sam Schuster, flute

Julie Douglas, clarinet

Joshua Close, bass clarinet

Brinly Haley, saxophone

EJ Paucar, saxophone

Brandon Brown, french horn

Kaydence Jordan, trombone

Noah Stewart, piano

Julia Mosher, synthesizer (strings)

Evan Barrett, synthesizer (harp)

Blake Maurice, percussion

Santino Testa, quitar

Atahan Guler, viola

Gavin Nist. cello

Ava Young, cello

Devin Zerjav, bass

Mallory Ehrhart (Queen Aggravain) is a junior Musical Theatre major. Her previous YSU credits include Zombie Prom (Delilah Strict), Puffs (Hannah), Little Shop of Horrors (Puppeteer), and the Rod Puppet Designer in Antigone. Other notable credits include Seussical (Sour Kangaroo) and Guys and Dolls (Sarah Brown). Mallory would like to thank her parents, sisters, and her boyfriend, Sam for their love and support. Mallory dedicates her performance to her late grandma, Sheila Ehrhart.





Landon Eli (Sir Studley/Knight) is a first-year Musical Theatre major. His previous YSU credits include Scapin (Wardrobe Crew). His other credits include Putnam County Spelling Bee (Leaf Coneybear) at Boardman High School. Seussical (Mr. Mayor) at Boardman High. You're a Good Man Charlie Brown (Snoopy) at Trumbull County New Theater. I would like to thank all the amazing people I have met throughout my theatrical career for being so supportive and

caring for me on and offstage. I would also like to thank my mother, Taneshea Eli, for shaping me into the person I am and encouraging and being supportive of me from the very start. You will be forever in my heart, Mom, love and miss you.

Natalie Horvath (Princess No. 12/Lady-In-Waiting/Dance Captain) is a sophomore majoring in Musical Theatre and Biology and minoring in chemistry at YSU. Natalie is thrilled to be in her third production here at Youngstown State University. She was previously in Scapin (as Hyacinth) and Godspell (playing Anna Maria/Natalie), and other show credits include Alice in Alice in Wonderland, Mrs. Peacock in Clue, Gad in Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat, and the student director of Hubbard's production of G



the student director of Hubbard's production of Godspell. Natalie would



like to thank her family and friends for not only supporting her through college, but also encouraging her to follow her dreams. Natalie would also like to thank her fellow cast mates for making this such a wonderful experience in the YSU theatre department.



Emalee Chappa (Jester) is a senior Musical Theatre major, but a first-year student at Youngstown State. Born and raised in Hawkins, Texas, they previously attended the University of North Texas as a Dance Major. She was previously seen at YSU in Zombie Prom (Ramona Merengue/Swing/Dance Captain). Other notable credits include Bonnie and Clyde (Bonnie Parker), Shrek: The Musical (Pinocchio), and Godspell (Robin). Emalee would like to

thank everyone in the theatre department here at YSU for welcoming them with open arms – as well as her cat, Marcia.

Brooke May (Asst. Stage Manager) is a Freshman Musical Theatre major here at YSU. She was previously seen in Zombie Prom (Toffee). Her other notable credits include Legally Blands



and Hope), Little Shop of Horrors (as Audrey), Puffs (as Sally Perks and others), The Revolutionists (as Charlotte Corday), and Zombie Prom (as Candy). Outside of school, Elise is friends with Cinderella, Merida, and the Snow Sisters at Castle on a Cloud Entertainment. This being her final show, Elise sincerely thanks the theatre department for five wonderful years, Adam and Lisa for the chance to be a real princess on stage, and her parents for just everything.

Ryan Bedi (Sir Harold/Knight) is a second-year BFA in Musical Theatre Major at Youngstown State. His previous YSU credits include Zombie Prom (Jonny Warner), Antigone (Third Guard), and Godspell (Telly/Ryan); other notable credits include Mary Poppins (Bert) and The Addams Family (Fester). Ryan would like to thank his parents for their undying support and his uncle Brian Rylee for being a rock that keeps him on the right track in this industry.





KJ Hudson (Stage Manager) is a Senior BFA Musical Theatre Major and is thrilled to be making their stage managerial debut at Youngstown State University. Their recent University Theatre credits include Zombie Prom (Eddie Flagrante/Dance Capt.), Antigone (Guard 2), Godspell (John/Judas), Little Shop of Horrors (Seymour), The Music Man: Concert Version (Olin Britt), An Evening with Billy Shakes (Launce/Demetrius), Elegies: A Song Cycle (Soloist) and

The Ten-Minute Play Festival in both a Director and Performer position. KJ has also appeared in Cedar Point's Live Entertainment 2022 cast as a 150th Celebration Parade Swing. KJ sends endless love and gratitude to all who have supported them over the past 15+ years! Instagram: @ kjhudson.actor



Chloe Downey (Lady Larken) is a 3rd year BFA in Musical Theatre from New Waterford, OH. Her YSU credits include Zombie Prom (Ginger), Cosi Fan Tutte (Despina), The Music Man: In Concert (Amaryllis), The Last Five Years (Assistant Stage Manager), Little Shop of Horrors (run crew), The Revolutionists (wardrobe crew), and An Evening of Ten-Minute Plays in 2021, 2022, and 2023 in both performer and director positions. Chloe is so thankful to be a part of such a wonderful

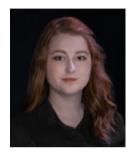


group of individuals, and she wants to thank everyone who made this show possible, as well as her family, friends, and fiancé for their constant love and support. She wants to thank you all for traveling to this magical kingdom and she hopes you enjoy this fantastical tale!



Benjamin Podnar (Minstrel) is a Freshman BM Vocal Performance Major and is ecstatic to portray Minstrel on stage in Once Upon a Mattress, which will be his first full-length production at Youngstown State University. He previously appeared as an actor in An Evening of 10-Minute Plays 2022 (Dog Day Morning) at

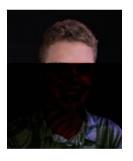
Career and Technical Center, those being Clue (Mr. Green) and The Third Wave (The Man). Mekhi would like to thank his mom for exposing him to the arts and her undying encouragement for him to seek after what he loves! He would also like to thank Adam Howard for being one of the strongest supporters in helping him find his voice.



Grace Beil (Nightingale of Samarkand/Lady-In-Waiting) is a junior theatre studies major with a minor in graphic design. She has no previous YSU theatre experience, but she is so ecstatic to be participating now! Grace is from Lisbon Ohio, where she participated in many shows at Stage Left Community Arts Center. She recently appeared as Sandra Bloom in Stage Left's production of Big Fish and Sarah Brown in Guys and Dolls. She would love to thank her family

and boyfriend for their support, and all the amazing YSU theatre faculty.

Sam Nabring (Dauntless) is a second-year Music Education student and is beyond thrilled to be participating in his second show at Youngstown State University! He was most recently seen in Zombie Prom (Jake). His other notable credits include Mamma Mia and Dirty Rotten Scoundrels (both as Ensemble). Sam is a member of the YSU Concert Band and & Wind Ensemble and is currently the co-Song Chair of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. Sam would



like to thank his family for their continued support, as well as the rest of the cast and crew of Once Upon a Mattress for making this show an experience he will never forget.





Sam Law (Wizard) is a junior BFA Musical Theatre Major at YSU. He has most recently been in YSU's production of Zombie Prom (Josh). Sam has also performed in Godspell (Nick) and The Music Man: In Concert (Jacey). He is excited to be wizarding it up on stage and would like to thank the cast and crew for a great process. He would also like to thank his family and girlfriend for their support.

Ilse Zijlstra (Lady Mabelle/Lady-In-Waiting) is a sophomore Musical Theatre major. Her previous YSU credits include Zombie Prom (Stage Manager) and Antigone (Run Crew). Her other notable credits include performances at Fort Wayne Summer Music Theatre, such as Phantom of the Opera (Madame Firmine/Featured Dancer), Hairspray (Featured Ensemble), and Les Misérables (Women's Ensemble; with Antwerp High School, she



performed in Newsies (Katherine Plumber), Guys and Dolls (Nicely Johnson), and The Sound of Music (Flsa Shraeder). She would

# Faculty Bios

Adam Day Howard (Director) is an Americanborn, British-Trained actor, music director, playwright and lecturer. He is the only Vocal Process Methodology certified teacher in the United States. He holds a master's degree from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland and has taught and performed in over a half dozen countries on three continents. He was the music director and supervisor on the off-Broadway musical Here There Be Dragons, music director



for the #1 West End Tour Dreamboats and Petticoats in the United Kingdom and Ireland and was Schlomo in Fame at the Grimaldi forum in Monaco. Television appearances include Tonight's The Night With John Barrowman on BBC Scotland and Plain Jane for Gogglebox Entertainment on UK MTV. He has written three successful "Panto" holiday musicals, including Snow White and the Seven Dorks at Stages Repertory Theatre, Houston. He has been teaching at YSU since 2022 and loves it! Thanks to the amazing Lisa Howard, as well as Maddie, Guin, and Alastair!



Katherine Garlick (Costume Designer) is an Associate Professor of Costume Design and Technologyandresident designerat Youngstown State University. She holds an MFA from Indiana University, Bloomington. Previous teaching experience includes Kutztown University and Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Her professional work spans both technical and design roles across the Mid-Atlantic, with favorite theaters including the Weston Playhouse, West

Virginia Public Theater, Contemporary American Theater Company (CATCo) Columbus, and Unseam'd Shakespeare in Pittsburgh. She is an active member of the United States Institute of Theatre Technology and the Costume Society of America. Her design work has been recognized



on both a regional and national level by the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival and USITT.

Lisa Howard (Choreographer) is thrilled to be a part of Once Upon A Mattress, working alongside her husband, Adam, and the remarkable YSU Faculty and Staff. She has worked regionally as a professional actor, director, and choreographer, appearing with The Cleveland Playhouse, Ohio Shakespeare Festival, Porthouse Theatre, Theatre In The Circle, Coach House Theatre, and Actors Summit. among others. Lisa has led Acting for the Dancer and audition workshops



at dance studios, theatre companies, and universities nationwide. In addition to being a financial officer for a national company, she has been somehow able to find the time to teach adjunct dance classes for the students at YSU University Theatre! A proud member of the Actors Equity Association and Alpha Psi Omega, Lisa's favorite role to date is still "mom" to her three favorite starlets- Madeline, Guinevere, and Alastair



Todd Dicken (Scenic Design, Scenic Artist and Props Design)

of the White House (including Secret Service) to assist in the planning, coordination, and production of President George W. Bush's Town Hall Visit to YSU's Spotlight Theater. Todd is a member of Puppeteers of America, and the Union of International Marionette Artists. He's the coordinator of YSU's Minor in Puppetry. He is also an avid woodworker. When his schedule permits, you might find Todd on one of the local golf courses.

Jake Trifonoff (Technical Director) is an artist from Steubenville, OH. Jake spent seven seasons at Lincoln Park Performing Arts Center as a Scenic Carpenter/Rental Manager. Jake's additional experience includes overhire stagehand work with Local 3 in Pittsburgh, PA, Local 64 in Wheeling, WV, various theatre companies around Pittsburgh, and West Liberty University, from which Jake holds a bachelor's degree in Theatre. Jake is excited to be a new



part of the Youngstown State University community and is thankful for the love and support of family and friends.

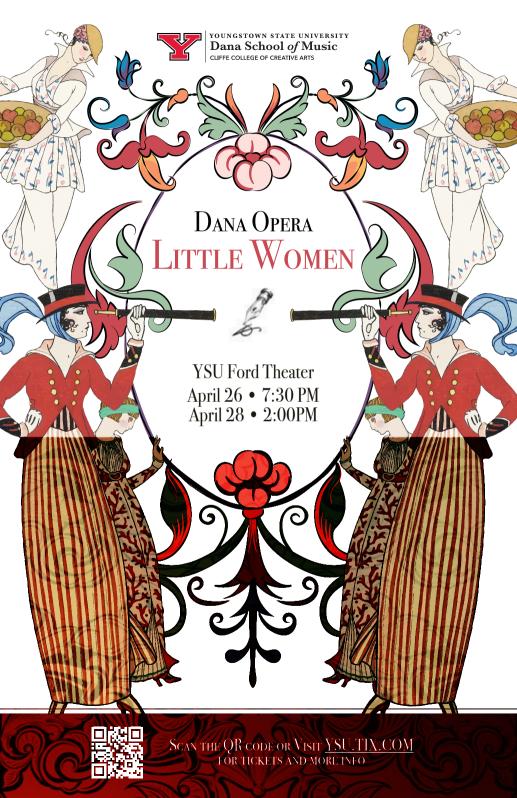


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# WIND ENSEMBLE Dana School of Music

Dr. Michael S. Butler, Conductor

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#### Welcome from the Cliffe College of Creative Arts

On behalf of the Youngstown State University (YSU) Cliffe College of Creative Arts and most especially on behalf of the historic Dana School of Music and our YSU Band Program, it is my pleasure to welcome you to today's concert at the College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA) 2024 Conference. We are honored to have been selected and know that you will enjoy the Wind Ensemble's performance.

We are most appreciative to Erica Neidlinger, President of CBDNA-NC, and all the CBDNA Board of Trustees members and Staff for their assistance with our preparations for today's events and their commitment to music education. I would also like to express sincere gratitude to our talented and loyal alumni for their continuing and tangible support and to the many music educators across the state and region who have entrusted their students to us and encouraged them to become a part of our YSU and Dana School tradition. Dr. Joseph Carucci, Director of the Dana School of Music and University Theatre, and our distinguished and highly active faculty of artists and scholars are dedicated to helping our students pursue their passions and develop their talents, empowering them for success in this transformative time in which we live.

Congratulations to Dr. Michael Butler, Director of Bands, and our terrific students! We are proud of your accomplishments and look forward to your performance.

With warmest regards,

Phylis M. Paul, Ph.D. Dean and Professor



As I reflect on the 155-year history at the Dana School of Music, I am humbled and inspired to contribute to the institutional pillar that the performing arts have had in our community and beyond. It is amazing to experience the creative drive of our current artists and scholars, who are committed to artistic and pedagogical innovation and have an intense focus on excellence at every level. We have an unrivaled dedication to serve our students, alumni, and community.

Dana students, including the ones who are on stage today, are committed to becoming elite musicians, educators, composers, audio engineers, and professionals. They play an active role in shaping our society and are a glimpse into the future of the arts. As the next generation of leaders, I am confident about our future.



Please enjoy the performance. With sincere gratitude,

Dr. Joseph Carucci Director, Dana School of Music & University Theatre

Letters

#### **PROGRAM**

Flashback	Wayne Oquin (b. 1977)
Tarot  II. The King of Cups	Lindsay Bronnenkant (b. 1988)
Bamboo Shoots and City Streets	Benjamin Barker (b. 1995)
Montmartre Marchfrom the "Paris" Suite	Haydn Wood (1882-1959) Arr. Robert Hawkins
Kingfishers Catch Fire	John Mackey (b. 1973)

- I. Following falls and falls of rain
- II. Kingfishers catch fire

#### **FLUTE**

Suzanne Bevilacqua Laura Bowden Miya DeBolt Saralyn Joiner Aeva Richard

#### OBOE

John Anzevino

#### **BASSOON**

Aiden Hite

#### **CLARINET**

Julie Douglas Katie Farrington Ellie Schrier Jaxon Stewart Jordan Vannoy Sami Weinkoetz

#### **BASS CLARINET**

Kaela Lawson

#### **CONTRABASS CLARINET**

Colin Davis

#### **ALTO SAXOPHONE**

Georgia Dale Quinten Harkness

#### **TENOR SAXOPHONE**

EJ Paucar

#### **BARITONE SAXOPHONE**

Nicholas Komara

#### **HORN**

Brandon Brown Jesse Crownover Brendan Gage Jared Giovannone Quinton Miller

#### **TRUMPET**

Ryan Bowden
Julian Davis
Nieko Disso
Nathan Gallagher
Adam Hershberger
Tom Landry
Katie Markielowski
Noah Mooney
Alfred Todd
Luke Whorten

#### **TROMBONE**

Daniel Chandra Emma Fleischaker Jacob Norton Luke Walters

#### **BASS TROMBONE**

Peter Sapkowski

#### **EUPHONIUM**

Jacob Sizer Xiaoyu Xing

#### **TUBA**

Ryan Lamb Ben Hemming

#### **STRING BASS**

Shane Hogle

#### PIANO/HARP

Sam Nabring Ethan Shafer

#### **PERCUSSION**

Rachel Davidson Stephen Dorbish Brennan Rivers Jacob Potts Evan Stefancin

Evan Stefancin Brett Weigel

#### ENSEMBLE BIOGRAPHY

The Youngstown State University Wind Ensemble, directed by Dr. Michael S. Butler, is the premier concert band in the Dana School of Music. The ensemble performs a wide range of music, including contemporary literature and standard repertoire, to ensure students receive exposure to the finest music written for the medium. The wind band program at YSU has a rich history of collaboration with musical artists, including some of the most distinguished composers, conductors, and performers, to provide transformative experiences for our musical community. Since 2021, the YSU Wind Ensemble has earned numerous accolades from prestigious organizations such as the College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA), including being recognized as one of the finest small university wind ensembles in the country. In 2023, the ensemble earned second place in The American Prize Wind Ensemble category, performed at the 2023 Northeast Ohio Band Invitational held at Severance Hall and received invitations to perform at the 2024 CBDNA North Central Conference and Ohio Music Educators Association Conference.

#### CONDUCTOR BIOGRAPHY

**Dr. Michael S. Butler** serves as the Director of Bands at Youngstown State University in the Dana School of Music. In this role, he oversees all facets of the university's band and orchestra program, conducting the Wind Ensemble, Symphony Orchestra, and the Dana Faculty Ensemble, and also serves as the Music Director for the YSU Youth Orchestra.

Since joining YSU in 2021, Dr. Butler has diligently upheld the rich and strong legacy of musical excellence. Under his guidance, the Wind Ensemble has consistently earned prestigious accolades for their outstanding performances. In 2023, the ensemble received multiple honors for excellence, securing second place in The American Prize Wind Ensemble category and was selected as one of the finest small university wind ensembles to showcase at the National College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA) conference. Furthermore, the ensemble had the honor of performing at the 2023 Northeast Ohio Band Invitational held at Severance Hall, home of The Cleveland Orchestra. Invitations for performances at the 2024 CBDNA North Central Conference and Ohio Music Educators Association Conference underscore Dr. Butler's commitment to musical excellence.

The National Band Association has recognized Dr. Butler with multiple Citations of Excellence for his significant contributions to wind bands. Serving actively as a clinician, adjudicator, and guest conductor, he has conducted ensembles such as the United States Army Band 'Pershing's Own' and the United States Army Field Band. Dr. Butler is a proud alumnus of Tennessee Technological University (B.M.) and the University of Florida (M.M. and Ph.D.).

#### FLASHBACK BY WAYNE OQUIN

Some of the happiest years of my young musical life were those I spent playing piano at Texas State University in John Stansberry's wind ensemble. Two decades later, part of me still wishes I could have stayed forever.

Mr. Stansberry was quite something on the podium: energetic, motivating, communicative, full of vitality, notoriously hard to please, and, above all things, a consummate teacher. In 1996, early in my freshman year, I approached him with a band score I had then recently completed: a short, frenetic work entitled Momentum. It was among my earliest attempts at composition. To my surprise, he programmed it!

In hindsight, I would be hard pressed to think of a point more pivotal in my compositional development. It was the first piece I had written for band, my first time working with a conductor, and my first public performance of a piece for large ensemble. It was this experience, as much as any other, that led me to music composition.

Many years passed. I graduated, moved to New York, continued my studies, and eventually became a college teacher myself. Mr. Stansberry and I remained in touch until the end of his life.

When Clay Stansberry asked if I would compose a tribute to his father's memory, one he would conduct with his own band at Legacy High School in Broomfield, Colorado, I was honored. I began, not in my usual way by sketching or improvising at the piano, but by pulling that early band score out of a dusty drawer where it had sat untouched for almost twenty years.

My original thought was to tweak, tighten, and perhaps touch up a few loose details. But soon, the process took on a life of its own. I found myself making changes to virtually every note of every bar. Shorter passages were expanded. New themes emerged. Harmonies once limited by a young composer's not-yet-fully-developed technique were now traveling rapidly to new destinations. Just as I could never go back in time and play again in Mr. Stansberry's band, I could not separate myself from my own compositional development in the intervening two decades.

Not a single measure remains intact from the previous version. The new work, so radically different from its predecessor, demanded a more suitable title. Yet, the initial idea from so many years previous -- its overall structure, its short melody in the Lydian mode -- can still be recognized in what is now quite literally a flashback. The result is not a revision but rather a

collaboration between a composer and his younger self, both of whom owe an enormous gratitude to John Stansberry.

#### TAROT BY LINDSAY BRONNENKANT

Gustav Holst was incredibly interested in Indian culture, going so far as to teach himself Sanskrit. Some evidence suggests that he tried to incorporate Indian ragas into his works, and after investigating Holst's resources and analyzing his Planets, I believe that Holst tried to reference ragas that evoked similar characters to those of the planets in his suite. Holst's access to authentic performance of Indian music was limited, however, and like many composers -- especially as a British composer entrenched in modal composition during the English folk song revival of the early twentieth century -- he took what he understood of rāgas and filled in the gaps with Western theoretical knowledge, resulting in the treatment of what were once ragas as scales or modes. I decided to compose a suite that traces Holst's footsteps but applies his musical experimentation to a new topic: Tarot. Like astrology, Tarot cards have been used for divination, and as each planet in modern astrology represents specific characteristics and personality traits, so too does each Tarot card. Some elements of the Hindustani thats, Karnatak mēlakarta rāgas, and pitch sets Holst references in his Planets are referenced in Tarot using a similarly Western approach to portray Tarot card analogs.

In Tarot, the suit of cups corresponds with emotional energy and the element of water. A deeply empathic soul, the King of Cups tempers his emotions by balancing his heart with his head. The King leads diplomatically through compassion. The second movement, The King of Cups, references the pitches of mēlakarta rāga Dhavalāmbari from Neptune as a nod to a fellow intuitive and ruler of the sea, and additionally employs the pitches of the Bhairavī that are found in Venus to allude to the King's kind and gentle countenance.

#### BAMBOO SHOOTS AND CITY STREETS

This piece is an exploration of the blend between tradition and urbanization, inspired by bamboo shoots I saw growing in the middle of the pavement while on a walk with a friend. I wondered what it would sound like to tell the story of the resilience and adaptability of these bamboo shoots as they continue to grow and adapt in an ever-urbanizing environment.

I explored this concept by blending genres of music that represent both tradition and urbanization. Tradition is represented through the sounds of traditional Japanese music forms (such as gagaku or taiko), while urbanization is represented through the inclusion of elements of pop, rock, metal, and jazz.

The piece begins in the midst of a forest of bamboo shoots. With each sudden percussive impact a new shoot bursts through the ground. The woodwinds and xylophone assist us in moving forward while weaving through the narrow spaces between bamboo stalks. As the texture thins out and moves outside of the forest, we are suddenly thrown thrusted into an urban landscape.

The next section features stereotypical city sounds: car horns via muted trumpets, passing traffic in the trombones, and a general sense of busy hurriedness represented through the constantly moving and evolving textures. The string bass, drumset, low brass, and low reeds are frequently treated as a iazz rhythm section. It is also in this section that we are exposed to the introduction of the main theme of this piece (first seen in the horns at measure 44). This theme, for me, brought to mind the image of bamboo swaying in the wind, and returns multiple times in several environments throughout the piece, displaying the many places this bamboo is able to adapt and flourish. While the soundscape painted here sounds largely urban, it is important to note that the majority of material in this section is based on traditional Japanese music forms: The initial rhythmic figure in the horns and saxophones is derived from solo shamisen music, the woodwinds regularly interrupt phrases with shakuhachi-like motivic elements, many of the harmonies featured later in the section are directly taken from gagaku, and the initial "bamboo forest" triplet figures found in the xylophone and woodwinds in the beginning are hidden within the jazz saxophone solis. As all of these sounds and textures develop, they grow increasingly urgent and intense, building to an overwhelming extent.

Next, an escape into the countryside. The business and complexity of the city disappears, and we are able to reflect on the beauty of the bamboo in its more natural habitat. A modified form of our original bamboo forest theme, cognizant of a river, is developed in sequence to build into a new presentation of the main theme (rhythmically modified with transposed pitches, but otherwise the same). This restatement of the main theme is accompanied by the nostalgic sounds of a fuurin (wind chime), shakuhachi-like figures in the flutes, more fragments of the bamboo forest theme, and harmony that I largely associate with pop and rock music. We come to a full realization of the beauty of this scenery in measure 140, and then return to our sequential river texture from before which fades into a serene stillness.

Suddenly, in a very unexpected location, we are thrust back into the bamboo forest theme once again. This is the bamboo in the pavement: defiant and resolute. Taiko drums set an underlying determination that drives this section forward while an assortment of battle cries in the brass intermingle with the familiar sounds of festival music in the woodwinds. This section ebbs and flows, growing into a shameless metal groove before thrusting us, once more, into a majestic and powerful resurgence of the main theme. This theme reminds us of tradition's firm roots that have persisted and adapted through an ever-urbanizing environment, continuing to grow in power and intensity up to the very last note.

#### MONTMARTRE MARCH BY HAYDN WOOD

Montmartre March, from Haydn Wood's *Paris Suite*, is in a fast-moving, delicate style that is unique to the traditional march idiom. Wood visited Paris frequently and knew the Montmartre section well – for centuries it was a village outside the walls of Paris, but it is now within the city limits. With its steep twisting street and picturesque houses, it still retains a village appearance. As the name indicates, Montmartre is on a mountain (more accurately, a hill) in the section of Paris north of the Seine River known as the Right Bank. The area is famous for the Sacré Coeur Church, the view of Paris, and also for its cafes and nightlife.

#### KINGFISHERS CATCH FIRE BY JOHN MACKEY

A kingfisher is a bird with beautiful, brilliantly colored feathers that look in sunlight as if they are on fire. Kingfishers are extremely shy birds and are rarely seen, but when they are seen, they are undeniably beautiful.

The first movement, Following Falls and Falls of Rain, is suspended in tone, but with hope, depicting the kingfisher slowly emerging from its nest in the early morning stillness, just after a heavy rainstorm. The second movement, Kingfishers Catch Fire, imagines the bird flying out into the sunlight.

The work features optional antiphonal trumpets placed behind the audience. The trumpet solo in the first movement is played from the back of the hall, and the trumpet flourishes in the second movement are played by the antiphonal trumpet choir. You may catch the reference to Stravinsky's Firebird at the end of the piece.

Kingfishers Catch Fire was commissioned by Kentaro Hino (Hikarigaoka Girls' High School), Mamoru Nakata (Wind Ensemble du Nord), Masafumi Matsumoto (Okayama Sanyo High School), Kotai Yo (Wind Ensemble "KANADE"), Toshiya Iwata (Kawasaki University of Medical Welfare "Heartful Winds"), Taizo Okuyama (Wind Ensemble Soleil), and Shintaro Fukumoto (Community Band of Sagamihara). Consortium organized by Mamoru Nakata.

The work was premiered on March 17, 2007, JWECC '07 Special Band, conducted by Ichiro Saito.



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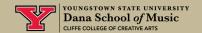
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# YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY JAZZENSEMBLE



Chestnut Room, YSU Kilcawley Center MONDAY, APRIL 8 | 7:30 PM

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# Program

#### **PROGRAM**

#### **PERSONNEL**

#### **SAXOPHONES**

Brendan Bennett Mason Ciesielski Joshua Close Zach Fleischman Jason Lagese

#### TRUMPETS

Ryan Bowden Julian Davis Nieko Disso Tom Landry Alfred Todd

#### **TROMBONES**

Daniel Chandra Jacob Norton Peter Sapkowski Luke Walters

#### RHYTHM SECTION

Guitar Santino Testa Piano Aaron White Bass Shane Hogle Drums Nick Grabigel

#### **VOCALS**

Elizabeth Jadue

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## **Upcoming Events**

#### JAZZ CONCERT CALENDAR | Spring 2024

FEB 19	Jazz Ensemble Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center, YSU   7:30 PM
FEB 29	<b>Jazz Combos</b> Spotlight Theater, Bliss Hall, YSU   7:30 рм
MAR 13	Jazz Combos Butler Institute of American Art   12:15 - 12:45 PM
MAR 13	Jazz Ensemble, Maplewood Jazz Festival Maplewood HS, Guys Mills, PA   8:15 PM
APR 8	Jazz Ensemble Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center, YSU   7:30 PM
APR 15	Jazz Combos Ford Theater, Bliss Hall, YSU   7:30 рм
APR 26	Guest Artist Performance & Jazz Guitar Masterclass with Pasquale Grasso 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Bliss Hall 2222, YSU   12:30 - 3:00 PM



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# PROGRAM —

Bright is the Ring of	Words Ralp	h Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
	Andrew Myers, baritone Mary Ann Bilas, piano	(10/2 1000)
Si mes vers avaient (	des ailes	Reynaldo Hahn (1874-1947)
	Miriam Figley, soprano Steve Repasky, piano	
Donzelle fuggite	Ayush Mahat, baritone Jan Crews, piano	. Francesco Cavalli (1602-1676)
<b>A Fool's Preferment</b> I'll Sail Upon the D	Dogstar Chase Kemp, tenor Mary Ann Bilas, piano	Henry Purcell (1659-1695)
<b>No Other Love</b> from Me and Julie	t	Richard Rodgers & (1809 - 1847) Oscar Hammerstein (1895–1960)
	Alana DeBord, soprano Mary Ann Bilas, piano	(1300 1300)
Panis Angelicus		César Franck (1822-1890)
	Noah Stecker, tenor Mary Ann Bilas, piano	
Danza danza fancui	Ila gentile Emma Price, soprano Da Eun Choi, piano	Francesco Durante (1684 – 1755)

Orpheus with His Lute		Eric Coates (1886-1957)
	Antonio George, tenor Or. Da Eun Choi, piano	(1000-1307)
Jeanie with the Light I	Brown Hair Ste	phen Foster (1826-1864)
	aley Reynolds, soprano esse Crownover, piano	
Vaghissima sembianz	<b>a</b> Stepha	no Donaudy (1879–1925)
	renton Shutters, tenor Mary Ann Bliss, piano	
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Après un rêve	Go	abriel Fauré (1845–1924)
	ia Anastasiades, soprano Steve Repasky, piano	(10 10 102 1)
A	<b>fe's Delight</b> Hor idan Derosa, baritone Steve Repasky, piano	atio Parker (1863–1919)
Jus	Feli stine Snowden, soprano Dr. Da Eun Choi, piano	x Fourdrain (1880–1923)
from <i>Roberta</i>	r <b>es</b>	erome Kern (1885–1945)

Chanson d'amour Gabriel Fauré (1845 - 1924)Caroline Mclaughlin, mezzo-soprano Ian Crews, piano Erinnerung ...... Gustav Mahler (1860 - 1911)Jaelynn Mack, soprano Dr. Da Eun Choi, piano Sin tu amor ...... Miquel Sandoval (1902 - 1953)Belita Rubante, soprano Jesse Crownover, piano Cabaret Songs ...... Benjamin Britten Funeral Blues (1913-1976)Erika Walker, mezzo-soprano Dr. Da Eun Choi, piano Canto Arabo ...... Barbara Giuranna (1899 - 1998)Amanda Bertilacci, soprano Mary Ann Bilas, piano Es rauschen die Winde ...... Franz Liszt (1811-1886)

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