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UNCSA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, CANTATA SINGERS AND BERGSTONE BRASS

Feb. 25 at 3 p.m.

CENTENARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

James Allbritten CONDUCTOR

Mark A. Norman CONDUCTOR



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Grand chœur dialogué (1881)..... Eugène Gigout

(1844-1925)

Alexandria Partridge and Nathan Olusemire, horns Justin Whitt, Chris Woods, Alexandre Penaloza and Wyatt Martinez, trumpets Reagan Henderson and Cameron Riley, trombones Mason Waterman, bass trombone Sidney Cherry, euphonium Drake Stewart tuba Ben Burson, timpani Joshua Sobel, organ

Canzon in double echo from Sacrae Symphoniae (c. 1597)..... Giovanni Gabrieli (c. 1554/57-1612)

> Choir One Samuel Santiago and Chris Woods, trumpets Wyatt Gibson, horn Patrick Sweet, trombone Jack Martin, bass trombone Avery Greene, tuba

Choir Two Wyatt Martinez and Alexandre Penaloza, trumpets Myles Moore, horn Pierson Rickard, trombone Mason Waterman, bass trombone Drake Stewart, tuba

> Choir Three Nolan Anthony, organ

Fanfare Liturgiques from Don Juan de Mañara (1947)	Henri Tomasi
	(1901–1971)

Annonciation Evangile Apocalypse Procession du Vendredi-Saint

Amanda Friedman, Nathan Olusemire (assistant), Myles Moore, Alexandria Partridge and Wyatt Gibson, horns Nicholas McLaurin, Samuel Santiago and Justin Whitt, trumpets Chase Thornhill, Reagan Henderson, Patrick Sweet and Jack Martin, trombones Avery Greene, tuba Ben Burson, timpani Ricardo Hinojosa and Miah Cardoza, percussion

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Introit Kyrie eleison Offertory: Domine Jesu Christe

Wyatt Johnston, baritone

Sanctus Pie Jesu

Phyllis Pancella, mezzo-soprano

Agnus Dei Communion: Lux aeterna Libera me

Wyatt Johnston, baritone

In paradisum

UNCSA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Music Director/Conductor

James Allbritten

Violin

Nathan Thomeer, Concertmaster Sebastian Leczky, Associate Concertmaster Gabriel Mendoza, Assistant Concertmaster Olga Zaiats, Principal Second Jingyi Wei, Assistant Principal Second Felicia Adizue Sophie Anderson Santina Benavides Lara Mršnik Čemažar Yija Cheng **Rhys** Crawford Christina Demetropoulos Ellie Dixon Kennedy Graves Diego Infanzon Ryan Keith **Ruth Kelley** Sara Krank Saybren Long Yaali Mamerud Rosie Nelson Eva Okhotina Zachary Olsen Sara Palacios Jules Rabinalek Kate Rampel Julian Walther Gray Wilkins Nick Williams Yaruo Zhou Marina Zimmerman

Viola

Hehe Qi, Principal Yiming Zhao, Assistant Principal RoKem Bayne Joshua Forbes Ava Hirko Arina Komarova Isabella Okhotina David Rankin

Cello

Donovan Vega, Principal Andrew Cho, Assistant Principal Gustavo Antoniacomi Becca Fuller Sophie Lyman Ella McGovern Radovan Pavisic de Pardo Chloe Scarola Elijah White

Double Bass

Aaron Lawton, Principal Michael Stratford, Assistant Principal Bryson Fink Sarah Jafroodi Soraya Martin Simon Vazquez-Carr Erik Wilson

Flute/Piccolo

Gabrielle Small, Principal Ariel Collins Bo Boisen

UNCSA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Oboe/English Horn Adrian Gonzales, Principal Kayla Bull (UNCSA alumnus) Lauren Derflinger

Ryan Holland, Principal

Nick Copeland (bass)

Clarinet

Harley Hicks

Celesta Lauren Winkelman (UNCSA Staff Collaborative Pianist)

Percussion (seating rotates) Thompson Jones Willow McDowell Caroline Rucker Garrett Strauss

Bassoon Fernando Peraza Ruiz, Principal Stephen Olusemire

Horn Chase Oncken, Principal Justice Ratliff Kyle Coleman Cameron Pollard

Trumpet Jackson Poole, Principal Jenni Conrad Alan Tran

Trombone Chase Thornhill, Principal Reagan Henderson Patrick Sweet (bass)

Tuba Avery Greene, Principal

Harp Daya Asokan, Principal **Ensembles Staff** Mark A. Norman, Director of Instrumental Ensembles Ken Wilmot, Director of Artistic Operations

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Lauren Winkelman **Manager** Caleb Horner

Soprano

Regan Almond Clarice Beeput Alicia Bivona Leilani Diamond Bentley Dorics Anne Everhart Frida Garcia Jillian Griffey Courtney Johnson Abagail Ledbetter Caitlin Maurer Della Pierce Brianna Shellman

Tenor

Caleb Horner Jared Janpol Tommy Johnston Josh Jones Eija Maldonado Jackson Ray Jack Sargeant Onyx Velez

Alto

Tofarati Agbebi Sarah Core Genavieve Goss Zitlali Graciano Olivia Grocott Lucy Hedblom Heather Hopkins Ziya Jackson Victoria King Yulaun Owens-Davis Claire Patana Madelyn Pemberton Helen Steffan Kathryn Whalen Faith Woodberry-Crisp

Bass

Barrett Bailey Jonah Foster Crayton Helms Wyatt Johnston Wynston Lyles Max Myers Alex Nunley Marcel Pietrus Garrett Reider Josh Sobel

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY CHOIRS

Director

Chris Gilliam **Piano** Joanne Inkman

Soprano I

Sarah Ambrose Tori Cascone Avery Finch Skyler Villamar-Jones Caroline Kuebert Kacey Liang Katherine Maize Isa Meeker

Soprano II

Jenna Jordan Christiana Kambouris Sarah Lekan Hannah Murrow Sonali Peiris Liz Pezeu Nora Resk Asha Roland Aditi Samavedy Sky Shi Cami Wilson Ethan Elvander

Tenor I

Max Digman Adam Mauch Colby Mitchell

Tenor II

Harrison Abromavage Sidd Avani Matthew Bourguignon Bradley Jiang Conner Milstead

Alto I

Alexandra Eliasek Michelle Ferrone Carly Galbreth Abby Parr Mireya Reyes Salalisi Taylor Lauren Veldhuizen Kate Wingate

Alto II

Blythe Green Ashley Mullan Neily Raymond Maya Roth Grace Westcott Callie Wittman An-Nisa Yamini Linn Zappfe

Bass I

Will Callewaert Charlie Huebner Luke Miller Wesley Seneff

Bass II Nathaniel Avery Nate Beskid Rush Forquer Will Gardner

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TEXT AND TRANSLATION

Introit

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Te decet hymnus, Deus in Sion, et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem; exaudi orationem meam, ad te omnis caro veniet. Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Kyrie

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Domine Jesu Christe

Domine Jesu Christe, rex gloriae, libera animas omnium fidelium defunctorum de poenis inferni et de profundo lacu. Libera eas de ore leonis, ne absorbeat eas tartarus, ne cadant in obscurum. Sed signifer sanctus Michael repraesentet eas in lucem sanctam, quam olim Abrahae promisisti et semini eius. Hostias et preces tibi, Domine, laudis offerimus. Tu suscipe pro animabus illis, guarum hodie memoriam facimus, fac eas, Domine, de morte transire ad vitam quam olim Abrahae promisisti et semini ejus.

Introit

Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. A hymn, O God, befits You in Zion, and to You shall be paid a vow in Jerusalem; O Lord, hear my prayer, all flesh shall come to You. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Kyrie

Lord have mercy on us, Christ have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us.

Domine Jesu Christe

O Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed from the pains of hell and from the deep pit; Deliver them from the lion's mouth let not hell swallow them up, nor let them fall into darkness. But let Michael, the holy standard-bearer, bring them into the holy light, which You once promised to Abraham And to his seed. Sacrifices and prayers of praise, O Lord, we offer to Thee. Receive them, Lord, for the souls of those whose memory this day we recall, Grant them, O Lord, to pass from death to life which You once promised to Abraham And to his seed.

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TEXT AND TRANSLATION

Sanctus

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth, pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis! Benedictus, qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis!

Pie Jesu

Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem sempiternam.

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem sempiternam.

Lux aeterna

Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine, cum sanctis tuis in aeternum, quia pius es. Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Pie Jesu

Gentle Lord Jesus, grant them eternal rest.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world: grant them eternal rest.

Lux aeterna

May light eternal shine upon them, O Lord, with Your saints forever, For You are merciful. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

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TEXT AND TRANSLATION

Libera me

Libera me. Domine. de morte aeterna. in die illa tremenda, guando coeli movendi sunt et terra, dum veneris judicare saeculum per ignem. Tremens factus sum ego et timeo dum discussio venerit atque ventura ira, quando coeli movendi sunt et terra. Dies illa, dies irae, calamitatis et miseriae. dies magna et amara valde. dum veneris judicare saeculum per ignem. Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Libera me, Domine, de morte aeterna, in die illa tremenda. quando coeli movendi sunt et terra, dum veneris judicare saeculum per ignem.

In Paradisum

In paradisum deducant Angeli in tuo adventu suscipiant te Martyres et perducant te in civitatem sanctam Jerusalem. Chorus Angelorum te suscipiat et cum Lazaro quondam paupere aeternam habeas requiem.

Libera me

Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal death on that dreadful day when the heavens and the earth shall be moved, And You shall come to judge the world by fire. I quake with fear and I tremble awaiting the day of judgement and wrath to come. when the heavens and the earth shall be moved. Day of wrath, that day, of calamity, of misery, Dav momentous and most bitter. When You shall come to judge the world by fire. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal death on that dreadful day when the heavens and the earth shall be moved, And You shall come to judge the world by fire.

In Paradisum

Into paradise may the angels lead you. May the Martyrs welcome you on your arrival, and lead you into the holy city Jerusalem. May the chorus of angels receive you, and with Lazarus, who was once a beggar, may you have eternal rest.

BIOGRAPHIES

JAMES ALLBRITTEN

James Allbritten has enjoyed being a part of the University of North Carolina School of the Arts (UNCSA) since coming to North Carolina. Allbritten has served as the music director of the school's Cantata Singers, Symphony Orchestra, and he was the founding artistic director of the A.J. Fletcher Opera Institute. In 2014, he became the general director of Piedmont Opera, where he currently serves as artistic director.

Allbritten returned to the classroom during the pandemic and is enjoying leading the Cantata Singers once again. His work for the Piedmont Opera has received considerable critical acclaim. Of PO's "Madama Butterfly," Opera Lively said, "Jamie Allbritten does understand it, and his conducting, if we need to define it by one word, is elegant." The New York Wagner Society had this to say of his "Flying Dutchman:" "The joy of the afternoon was Allbritten's finely modulated conducting, which brought out the varying moods of the score." Of the company's "Un ballo in maschera," Opera News said, "The musical excellence for the entire evening was the work of the conductor, James Allbritten...His tempos were well chosen, attacks were precise, and coordination and balance with the singers was exemplary."

Allbritten trained at Indiana University under Jan Harrington, Robert Porco and Thomas Dunn. He was fortunate to have worked with some of the greatest names in opera, including Boris Goldovsky, Brian Balkwill, James Lucas, Nicola Rossi-Lemeni, Virginia Zeani, Giorgio Tozzi and Margaret Harshaw. Allbritten also serves on the faculty of Opera Theatre of the Rockies' Vocal Arts Festival. In addition, he has led performances for Opera Theater of the Rockies, Opera Carolina, the Carolina Chamber Symphony, the Mozart Club of Winston Salem and the Winston-Salem Symphony.

BIOGRAPHIES

CHRISTOPHER GILLIAM

A conductor praised for his "precision and clarity," and performances hailed as "enlightened," Christopher Gilliam is the director of choral activities at Wake Forest University, director of the Winston-Salem Symphony Chorus, artistic director and conductor for Winston-Salem Choral Artists, and director of music at Highland Presbyterian Church in Winston-Salem.

A native of North Carolina, Gilliam received the Doctor of Musical Arts in voice performance and Master of Music in choral conducting from the University of Kansas in 2003. He accepted the post of assistant professor and director of choral activities at Wake Forest University in the fall of 2020. There he conducts the Chamber Choir, the premier touring choir and the Concert Choir. From 2012 to 2020 he was director of choral activities at Davidson College in Davidson, N.C., where he directed a graded choral program, served as artistic director for both the Choral Arts Society of Davidson and the annual holiday gala and taught private voice. Gilliam also taught at Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, Louisiana, where he served as associate professor of choral activities and associate professor of voice.

Gilliam has traveled extensively nationally and internationally, serving as guest conductor, clinician, and/or singer in several states and abroad—Australia, Czech Republic, England, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Poland, Romania, Russia, Spain, and Switzerland. A member of the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) and National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS), he has directed choirs and taught award-winning voice students who participated in state and regional conferences for both associations.

As a choral composer, Gilliam has published music with Alliance Music, Beckenhorst Press, E.C. Schirmer, GIA Publications, and Lorenz, and is a current ASCAP member.

WYATT JOHNSTON

Originally from York, South Carolina, baritone Wyatt Johnston is excited to be making his first appearance in concert with the UNCSA Symphony Orchestra. Johnston recently made his debut with the Fletcher Opera Institute in their production of "Maria di Rohan." He is a choral scholar at the Memorial United Methodist Church in Thomasville, and he is also a member of the Piedmont Opera Chorus. Pursuing a Bachelor of Music in the UNCSA School of Music as a student of Marilyn Taylor, he looks forward to many more outings on the opera stage and as soloist at UNCSA.

BIOGRAPHIES

MARK A. NORMAN

Mark A. Norman has enjoyed a career spanning over thirty-five years as a conductor and tuba performer. He is the music director/conductor of the Piedmont Wind Symphony and the director of instrumental ensembles at University of North Carolina School of the Arts (UNCSA). During his tenure with the Piedmont Wind Symphony, Norman has conducted the professional ensemble in critically acclaimed performances. He has also led the group in producing recordings, including new works by Brian Balmages, John Mackey and Randall Standridge.

At UNCSA, Norman is a member of the faculty-artist of the School of Music, conducting the Wind Ensemble, the Chamber Winds and the Bergstone Brass. He also serves as the resident conductor of the UNCSA Orchestra. Norman teaches courses in conducting and music entrepreneurship, and he leads the graduate conducting program at UNCSA. In 2022, Norman developed and orchestrated a live soundtrack for the play "Amadeus," and he served as the production's music director, leading twenty costumed, on-stage musicians. Norman has previously served on the conducting faculties at the University of Michigan, University of North Carolina Greensboro, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Washburn University and Towson University. He is a former member of several orchestras and was a tuba instrumentalist with the US Navy Band in Washington, D.C. He resides in Pfafftown, North Carolina with his wife Amanda and their two dogs, Miles and Marley, and their cat, Max.

PHYLLIS PANCELLA

Currently serving on the voice faculty at UNCSA, award-winning mezzo-soprano Phyllis Pancella is a veteran of international opera and concert stages, in music extending from the baroque to six months ago. Her opera roles have ranged from Carmen and Adalgisa to Lizzie Borden and Nero, with major companies including Houston, Chicago, San Francisco, London, Paris, Tel Aviv and Naples. In concert repertoire, she has performed under the batons of Leonard Slatkin, Jane Glover, Daniel Barenboim, James Conlon and Anne Manson, among many others.

A highly regarded interpreter of chamber music and art song, Pancella has appeared with Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, Chamber Music Northwest, New World Symphony, Orchestra della Toscana and the Prague New Music Festival. Her work with contemporary composers has resulted in many premieres, including Dominick Argento's "Miss Manners on Music," and she appears on recordings with the Naxos, Erato, Neos and Navona labels, as well as with UNCSA's new media label. A dedicated advocate for student artists, Pancella has been a guest faculty member at Indiana University, Boston Conservatory and Florida State University, and she has served on the faculty of the Janiec Opera Company at the Brevard Music Festival.

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The University of North Carolina School of the Arts provides gifted emerging artists with the experience, knowledge, and skills needed to excel in their disciplines and in their lives, and it serves and enriches the cultural and economic prosperity of the people of North Carolina and the nation. UNCSA is the state's unique professional school for the performing, visual, and moving image arts, training students at the high school, undergraduate, and master's levels for professional careers in the arts. (Approved by the UNC Board of Governors 2/2014)

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Dmitri Vorobiev in Recital: Florestan and Eusebius Feb. 27 at 7:30 p.m.

Faculty artist Dmitri Vorobiev, piano, will present a program of lesser-performed works by Robert Schumann that represent the true genius of one of the greatest composers of the 19th century. The music on this program was written at the composer's most fruitful time, when Schumann was at the peak of his composing for the piano. Audiences will experience the constantly shifting character of the music, one of Schumann's trademarks.

UNCSA Chamber Music Festival Mar. 19 & 23 at 7:30 p.m. WATSON HALL

The spring Chamber Music Festival presents brilliant music in the continuing 20th anniversary celebration of Watson Hall.

Pianist Pavel Nersessian (opens in new tab), known for his collaboration with chamber music groups and other musicians, appears as a special guest and, along with other musicians, leads students and faculty in concertizing on an intimate scale. Faculty and students will gather for engaging music-making and a public master class will be held for student chamber music groups.

One of the most remarkable pianists of his generation, Nersessian is known for his ability to play equally convincingly in the whole palette of the piano repertoire. He has won prizes in the Beethoven Competition in Vienna, the Paloma O'Shea Competition in Spain, and the Tokyo Competition. "His performance brought a veritable roar of approval from the audience," wrote the Irish Times after Nersessian took first prize in the GPA Dublin International Piano Competition in 1991.