

LoKo Arts Festival

Helen M. Hosmer Hall

2022-2023 Season

Saturday, May 6, 7:30 PM

LOKO ARTS FESTIVAL

presents

DR. DONALD SCHLEICHER

2023 Dorothy Albrecht Gregory Visiting Conductor

with the

CRANE CHORUS CRANE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA





The LoKo Arts Festival is made possible by the generosity and artistic vision of Kathryn (Kofoed) '54 and Donald Lougheed (Hon.'54).

On behalf of SUNY Potsdam and The Crane School of Music, welcome to the 2023 Spring Festival Concert, presented as part of SUNY Potsdam's annual LoKo Arts Festival.

Since its origins in 1932, the Spring Festival Concert has provided an opportunity for Crane students to prepare large works for chorus and instruments. Over the years the Festival Concerts have brought illustrious guest conductors—a list beginning with Nadia Boulanger and including figures like Robert Shaw, Virgil Thomson, Vincent Persichetti, Michael Tilson Thomas, Aaron Copland, Andre Thomas, Helmut Rilling, and Rollo Dilworth.

We are so proud of the achievements of The Crane School's remarkable students, faculty, and staff. Tonight's performance showcases months of hard work by the Crane Symphony Orchestra (directed by Adrian Slywotzky) and Crane Chorus (directed by Tim Mount), as they have prepared this music for our guest conductor, Donald Schleicher.

Whether tonight is your first Crane event or you've been a loyal listener for decades, we're so grateful that you chose to spend this time with us. Even when you can't be in Potsdam, you are never far away from our Crane Community. Many of our performances are available around the world via livestream, and I encourage you to visit the Streaming Webcasts link on Crane's website, and to subscribe to our YouTube channel (TheCraneSchool Live).

Again, welcome to tonight's performance, and we hope to see you again soon at Crane and SUNY Potsdam.

Sincerely,

Dr. William Gibbons Dean, The Crane School



Evening Concert Series

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Crane Symphony Orchestra Crane Chorus Donald Schleicher, guest conductor

Seven O'Clock Shout (2020)

Valerie Coleman (b. 1970)

Mass in C Major, Op. 86 (1807) Kyrie Gloria Credo Sanctus Benedictus Agnus Dei Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Soloists: Alyssa Bonfardeci, soprano; Courtney Dunn, alto; Adam Beiter, tenor and Dylan Maebert, bass

Symphony Orchestra Personnel

Flute Sabrina Clubine Caleigh Dutton Emma Fusco Simone McPartling

<u>Oboe</u> Annelise Herschbein Christopher Mavrogian Cora Vare

<u>Clarinet</u> Nick Alvarez Libby Sheldon

<u>Bassoon</u> Jalen Johnson Sophia Markevich

Horn Ryan Eckl Gianna Ingersoll Tyler Kraft Heather Murphy

Trumpet

Olivia Montagno Layne Sullivan Lila Wieclaw <u>Trombone</u> Justin Schoeneck

<u>Tuba</u> Henry Stringer

<u>Harp</u> Ricky Chui

Percussion Quinn Kinney Elena Mascaro* Geoffrey Snow Isaiah-Eli Van Buren

<u>Violin I</u> Holly Goddard Paolina Iori Julia Ingemi* Christopher Lee Maia Regan Aidan Sperduti

Violin II

Brianna Dixon Carlos Martinez Olivia Minarich Amanda Quintanilla Andrew Smith Michael Wong*

Viola

Brett Callagy Ricky Chui Lola Gehman* Kenneth Gonzalez Alex Mena-Jimenez Ella Roth Tyler Schiavone Brendan Travers Kiersten Wazny

Cello

Olivia Brigham Olivia Charleston Maggie King Emma Norris* Miranda Paulino

Bass

Matthew Barron Nicholas Dwarika* Melody Cheng Robin Tucksmith

*Section Principal

Timothy Mount, Chorus Master

Timothy Mount, pianist, singer, and choral conductor, is Professor Emeritus of conducting at Stony Brook University, one of the leading graduate music programs in the country. He conducted 9 commercial CD's with professional choirs and orchestras in New York City and Moscow and 2 with the Stony Brook Camerata Singers. Tim has guest conducted many choirs and for over 10 years was conductor of the professional chorus and orchestra at the San Luis Obispo Mozart Festival. He published 5 articles concerning choral music and a video, Refine Your Conducting Technique, available from Santa Barbara Music. His article, Preparing for the First Rehearsal will appear in The Choral Journal in the summer of 2023. A bass-baritone, Tim sang with virtually every professional choir in New York City. He is the pianist for the Trillium Chamber Players.

Crane Chorus Personnel

Aagaard, Vanessa Arias, Camila Armstrong, Jack Austin, Grace Autote, Drew Barstow, Zach Barth, Eliana Beiter, Adam Bonfardeci, Alyssa Bouziri, Yassine Boyd, Catherine Brown, Frankie Brown, Raven Butchko, Gabbie Calandra. John Cavallo, Kaitlyn Chui, Ricky Condon, Sophia Connolly, Luke Coyne Cook, Brendon Cook, Caiden DeJesus-Webb, Casey Denton, Cole Derderian, Nicholas DeVerna, Aidan DeWater, Mady Digman, Michael Dorney, Josh Driscoll, Noah Dunn, Courtney Eckl. Stephanie Elliott. Jonathan Emmons, Daniel Faragon, Sarah Fioriello, Alison Fish. Maddie Fortier, Cole Fountaine, Mekayla Frenyea, Jake Froats, Caleb Fusco, Emma Garrison, Abigail Gauthier, Aidan Geiger, Lydia Haaf, Morgan Halliday, Avary Hayes, Eddie Hebert, Lindsay Henry, Jessica Henry, Megan Herendeen, Cassidy

Hevden, Serena Hill, Riley Hipp, Ainsley Hurst, Ethan Ingemi, Julia Ingrassia, Marco Jandreau, Luke Jefferis, Anna Joseph, Matthew Kahle, Annabelle Karim, Kameron Keane, Victoria Kelly, Katie Konopka, Luke Krebs, Paige Kunz, Alandra LaCroix, TaeJean Lamb, Stephanie Lee, Christopher Leavitt, Frank Luoma, Ethan Machuca, Crystal MacMillan, Karleigh Maebert, Dylan Maggio, Anthony Magrino, Gianna Mahler, Riley Mahr. Alexander Maresco, Gabby Martin, Joseph McAuliffe, Katherine Mednick, Ethan Mendez, Armando Merced, Tatiana Mergl, Maddy Mitchell, Melissa Morris, Gabe Muller, Julia Murphy, Colleen Natale, John Newberger, Michael Nier, Katelyn Nokland, Madeline Novotny, Brianna Outman, Kayla Paluch, Emmanuelle Parker, Shamir Pierotti, Olivia Ploss, Logan Powell, Elizabeth Privatera, Megan

Quagliaroli, Jimmy Recce, Rose Reetz, Katherine Revnolds, Sarah Romero, Natalia Ronan, Molly Rubiano, Angelina Ruiz, Jake Rumph, Alyssa Salce, David Samsel, Brenden Scalza, Marissa Schiavone, Tyler Seretto, Faelynn Shaw, Ryan Shibley, Eli Sita, Kristen Smith, Brandon Smith, Gabriella Smith, Lucas Smith, Marcus Snyder, David Soletska, Ivanna Spencer, Rebecca Sperduti, Aidan Stanek, Andrea Stark, Emily J Stevenson, Ouinn Sudol, Giovanna Sywulski, Hannah Thompson, Natalie Timko, Aiden Unser, Noah Van Buren, Liam Van Schaick, Duncan Vanduvne, Medina Veety, Hannah Vescio, Haleigh Wahl, Emmitt Weiss, Maia Whalen, Emily White, Michael Wilkins, Sylvia Wilks, Alyssa Wright, Darrah Yetter, Samantha Young, Emmett Zara, Angelica Zarrabi, Donna Zehr, Amanda Ziemba, Morgan

Adrian Slywotzky

Adrian Slywotzky is the Director of Orchestras at the Crane School of Music. Prof. Slywotzky is a prizewinner of the Atlantic Coast International Conducting Competition (Portugal, 2016) and the Audite International Conducting Competition (Poland, 2017). He was the founding conductor of the Yale Medical Symphony Orchestra, and from 2007 to 2010 music director of the New Haven Chamber Orchestra. He served as Associate Director of Orchestras at the University of Michigan from 2019 to 2022.

Prof. Slywotzky is a sought-after educator. He has served as Associate Conductor and Artistic Advisor of the Boston Youth Symphony Orchestras, as teaching fellow for the Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra, and on the faculty of the Conductors Retreat at Medomak. He was conductor of the Greater New Haven Youth Orchestra for 2008-2010.

Prof. Slywotzky holds degrees in orchestral conducting from the University of Michigan, where he studied with Kenneth Kiesler, and the Yale School of Music, where he studied with Shinik Hahm. As a violinist Prof. Slywotzky has participated in festivals including Tanglewood Music Center, California Summer Music, and the Norfolk Contemporary Music Festival. He holds a BA in architecture from Yale College, where he studied violin with Kyung Yu, and an MM in violin performance from the Yale School of Music, where he studied with Wendy Sharp.

Donald Schleicher

Donald Schleicher is Guest Music Director at the Bienen School of Music, where he conducts the Northwestern University Symphony Orchestra. He is also Resident Conductor at Rice University's Shepherd School of Music.

After 26 years as Director of Orchestras at the University of Illinois, he was awarded the title of Daniel J. Perrino Professor Emeritus, School of Music, College of Fine and Applied Arts. Previous positions include Music Director and Conductor of the Quad City Symphony Orchestra and Music Director and Principal Opera Conductor for the Pine Mountain Music Festival. At the outset of his career, he spent seven years as a high school band director in Williamsville, New York, and two years as Director of Bands at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. In addition, he served as both Associate Director of Bands and Associate Director of Orchestras at the University of Michigan.

Schleicher has conducted the National Philharmonic of Ukraine, the Daegu (South Korea) Symphony Orchestra, the Incheon (South Korea) Philharmonic, the Gwangju Symphony (South Korea), the Guiyang (China) Symphony, the Orquesta Filarmonica de la UNAM of Mexico City, the South Dakota Symphony, and the orchestras of Bridgeport, Tallahassee, and Lansing. He has appeared as a guest conductor at the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival and served as a cover conductor for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

He is frequently invited to lead performances or provide conducting master classes at many of the country's major music schools such as the Oberlin Conservatory, Eastman School of Music, Baylor University, University of Minnesota, Ithaca College, Ohio State University, and the Shepherd School of Music at Rice University. As an enthusiastic advocate of public school music education, Mr. Schleicher has conducted All-State orchestras, festivals, and youth orchestras in nearly every state of the United States.

As a conducting teacher, Mr. Schleicher regularly appears as conducting clinician and is currently engaged as a lead teacher for the International Conducting Workshop and Festival as well as the Conducting Master Class and Workshop Series. Many of his former conducting students have gone on to hold prestigious conducting positions with orchestras and opera companies across the globe.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Dorothy Albrecht Gregory '61 and Dr. Gary C. Jaquay '67

The partnership of the Dorothy Albrecht Gregory Visiting Conductor Fund, established by Dorothy Albrecht Gregory '61, and the Adeline Maltzan Crane Chorus Performance Tour Fund, established by Dr. Gary C. Jaquay '67, brings distiguished conductors to The Crane School of Music for festival performances by the Crane Chorus and the Crane Symphony Orchestra, and funds travel for major Crane Chorus performances to venues outside of Potsdam. For Dorothy Albrecht Gregory, it has been more than 50 years since her early days in Crane Chorus. Today, she continues to reflect on that shared experience as a place holder, an anchor, in her life. It is her hope that students will look back on their Crane Chorus experiences with the same warmth and price she feels today. "May they open their music years later and remember how hard they worked, and feel again the exhilaration that comes with achieving excellence."

Dr. Gary C. Jaquay believes when students are empowered to explore their own musical boundaries, while experience the excellence of the world's top talents, the transformation of the student experience begins. Dr. Jaquay remembers his own Crane Chorus experience, working with world-renowned visiting artists and traveling to perform new works. "You cannot discount the impact this has on a young musician. That experience is profound and transformative. It's permanent.

Events like the Spring Festival Concert simply would not be possible without the generous support of many people in our SUNY Potsdam community, including alumni and friends. Should you wish to make a contribution to help ensure the future of Crane and the University, please visit our website at <u>www.potsdam.edu/giving</u>, or follow the QR Code to the right.



CRANE YOUTH MUSIC

Celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2023, Crane Youth Music is the North Country's premier summer music experience for young musicians. Participants have the opporuntity to engage in daily masterclasses, lessons, and ensemble rehearsals with Crane faculty, students, and guests; to take courses that will prepare them for advanced music study; and to enjoy all the exciting recreational activities the North Country offers in the summer months.

The 2023 Crane Youth Music camp will take place June 25–July 1, with both residential and commuter packages available. Scholarships are also offered to select students. To secure your spot for this exciting opportunity, please visit our secure website (<u>https://app.campdoc.com/!/dn/login?r=sunypotsdam</u>) or use the QR code below.



