BERKSHIRE SYMPHONY

GUEST CONDUCTOR. ANDREW MASSEY



George Enescu: Concertpiece for Viola and Orchestra featuring Lysander Jaffe 14, viola



Leonard Bernstein: "Glitter and be Gay" from *Candide* featuring Claire Leyden 16, soprano



Sergei Rachmaninoff: first movement of the Piano Concerto No. 2 in C Minor featuring Joyce Lee '17, piano



Sato Matsui '14: "Memorabilia" (WORLD PREMIERE)

Antonín Dvořák: Symphony No. 7 in D minor



Chapin Hall 8 PM Friday, April 25, 2014



Berkshire Symphony Ronald Feldman, director Andrew Massey, guest conductor

Program

Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

Piano Concerto No. 2 in C Minor, op. 18

I. Moderato

Joyce Lee '17, piano

Sato Matsui (b. 1991)

Memorabilia

George Enescu (1881-1955)

Concertpiece for Viola and Orchestra

Lysander Jaffe '14, viola

Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990)

"Glitter and be Gay" from Candide

Claire Leyden '16, soprano

intermission

Antonin Dvorak (1841-1904)

Symphony No. 7 in D Minor, op. 70

I. Allegro maestoso

II. Poco adagio

III. Scherzo: Vivace – Poco meno mosso

IV. Finale: Allegro

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Bios



Andrew Massey, Guest Conductor

Andrew Massey grew up in England, studying music at Merton College, Oxford, which happens to be celebrating its 750th anniversary this year. Composing was his major focus at that time, writing music for Eliot's *Murder in the Cathedral*, performed inside the medieval chapel at Merton, and for *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *King Lear* in Ludlow Castle. At the same time he was conducting the Apollo Symphony Orchestra, presenting almost all

the Mahler symphonies, as well as major works of Strauss, Stravinsky, Bartok, Debussy, etc.

In 1978, Lorin Maazel appointed Massey Assistant Conductor of The Cleveland Orchestra and he moved to the USA, performing Elgar's 2nd and Shostakovich's 8th symphonies in Cleveland, as well as Bruckner's 8th in the Brucknerhaus, Linz, on the orchestra's 1979 European tour. At this time he also worked with Olivier Messiaen in Paris, conducting *Chronochromie* and *La Transfiguration*. Since that time, Massey has been Resident Conductor of the Milwaukee Symphony, Associate Conductor of the New Orleans, and of the San Francisco Symphony, where his first concert included tonight's Dvorak symphony. In San Francisco, he conducted a great deal of new music, by Messiaen, Carter, Ligeti, Reich, Wuorinen, as well as John Adams' *Harmonielehre* with the National Symphony at the Kennedy Center in D.C. He has performed with many soloists, including Ella Fitzgerald, Rostropovich, Perlman, Ivan Moravec, Claudio Arrau, George Bolet, Andre Watts, Van Cliburn, Hilary Hahn, Viktoria Mullova, and Christian Tetzlaff.

There was not much time for composing during these years, but of late, while still conducting widely, including concerts in Iceland, Hong Kong, Italy, and Jakarta, Andrew has produced a series of new works, including *A Slight Echo*, premiered by the Vermont New Music Ensemble just last week.

Philosophy is another major interest, and he has presented papers stemming from the thought of Sir Karl Popper at conferences in Prague, Coventry, and the London School of Economics.

Andrew Massey lives in northern Vermont with his wife, Sabra, who is president of the Mountain Fiber Folk co-operative, and where he studies and composes in his hut in the woods, usually accompanied by his cat, Brian.



Lysander Jaffe '14, viola

Lysander Jaffe, 22, was born in Conway, MA. He started playing at the age of five. Currently a student of Ahling Neu, he has also studied viola and violin with Michelle Liechti, Delores Thayer, Gordon Dike, and Rose Landers. After graduating Northfield Mount Hermon School, he spent two years at the University of Durham in the U.K., where he was active in the symphony and chamber orchestras, the opera ensemble, and the city's folk music scene. Now

in his final year at Williams College, he plays in numerous chamber ensembles and in the Berkshire Symphony. He is also an avid singer with a particular interest in vocal music from eastern Europe, and will tour with Northern Harmony in the fall.



Joyce Lee '17, piano

Joyce Lee was born and raised in sunny San Diego. She began playing the piano at the age of three and has participated in numerous competitions. She has since been honored with many awards up to the international level. Having had the opportunity to play with symphonies and perform at Carnegie Hall, Joyce is extremely grateful for the teachers who have not only taught but also continuously encouraged and challenged her in many ways. Through these

experiences, Joyce has developed a strong passion for piano, but she most enjoys it when she is able to share it with others. Throughout high school, she played the piano for families of pediatric patients, learning how music can bring people together and serve as a form of communication that cannot be expressed through other means. Besides playing the piano, Joyce is currently a freshman at Williams on the pre-med track, planning to major in anthropology with a concentration in public health. She sends a sincere thank you to Ms. Doris Stevenson for a great opportunity to perform with the Berkshire Symphony.



Claire Leyden '16, soprano

Claire Leyden has been studying classical voice for close to eleven years. Originally from Croton-on-Hudson, New York, she has participated in a number of vocal and choral festivals throughout the Northeast, including the NYSSMA All-State Choral Festival and the American Choral Director's Association Eastern Division Honor Choir. As a soloist, she has performed with the Bennington County Chorale Society, and has won prizes from the

Hudson Valley Music Club, the Chaminade Music Club of Yonkers, and the Yonkers Philharmonic. This summer, she has been accepted to study at the American Institute of Musical Studies Concert Lieder Program in Graz, Austria.

Currently a sophomore Music and English double major at Williams, she is a member of various singing groups, including the Concert and Chamber Choirs, and the co-ed a cappella group, the *Ephlats*. She also coordinates an after-school tutoring program at Brayton Elementary School in North Adams, and is an educator with the Williamstown Rural Lands Federation at Sheep Hill.

I would like to extend the warmest thanks to my teacher, Keith Kibler, for all of the time, dedication, and care he has devoted to my vocal studies over the past two years. I am so grateful to you for all of the musical opportunities I have been given while at Williams, and I know I would not be here tonight without your incredible guidance and training. Many thanks to you and Robin for your constant support and kindness!



Sato Matsui '14, composer

Sato Matsui, soon to be a proud graduate of Williams College, was born near Sapporo, Japan, the city widely believed to be the birthplace of miso ramen. At the age of six she began studying the violin, the lyricism of which marks all of her compositions. Her works have been premiered by numerous campus ensembles and colleagues, as well as by those unaffiliated with the college. This summer, Sato will return to Paris for her second year at European

American Musical Alliance to study composition with the protogés of Nadia Boulanger. Upon return, she will study with composer Benjamin C. S. Boyle in Philadelphia for one year and begin her graduate compositional studies in the fall of 2015. Sato sends her sincerest gratitude to Ileana Perez-Velazquez, Andrew Massey, Ronald Feldman, and Anthony Sheppard for the opportunity of this premiere, as well as to her friends, teachers, mentors, and family for constant support and inspiration.

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concertmaster
Max Sopher '17
asst. concertmaster
Deanna Baasch
Agnes Chang '16
Sarah Briggs
Melanie Dexter
Katherine Hrach '16
Haena Lee '14
Sato Matsui '14
Cindy Ogulnick

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Joana Genova, principal Scott Daniel '17 Ouisa Fohrhaltz Tony Huang '16 Benjamin Jones '15 Grace Kim '15 Mitsuko Suzuki Kaori Washiyama Harriet Welther

Viola

Ah ling Neu, principal James Bergin Catharine Hall-Schor Bing Liu Lauren Yu '16

- # Principal on Rachmaninoff
- ## Principal on Enescu
- \$ Principal on Dvorak
- \$\$ Principal on Matsui B Principal on Bernstein
- * Niskayuna High ** Mt. Greylock High School

Cello

Nathaniel Parke, principal Kalila Booker-Cassano '14 Patricia Ho '16 Giac LaGraff * Richard Mickey Erica Pickhardt Rachel Schwartz '17 Yitong Tseo '17

Double Bass

Robert Zimmerman, principal Harrison Dilthey ** Steve Moran Patrick O'Connell

Flute

Ceora Jaffe, *principal* Banyi Huang '15 Annie Jeong '14 # \$\$ Jingyi Liu '14 ##

Oboe

Carl Jenkins, *principal*Katie Ritter '16 #
Hanna Shebert '17 \$
Samantha Stone '17 ##

English horn

Katie Ritter '16

Clarinet

Susan Martula, principal Ethan Borre '15 ## Ben DeMeo '15 \$\$ Nico MacDougall '17 Zihan Su '17

Bass Clarinet

Joseph Iafrate '14

Bassoon

Stephen Walt, *principal* Sarah Cottrill '15 ß Nina Horowitz '14

Horn

Victor Sungarian, principal Virginia Fossner Jessica Lascoe Christopher Wayland '16 ## ß

Trumpet

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Trombone

Wes Hopper, principal Matthew Luhn

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Timpani/Percussion

Matthew Gold, *principal* Gabriella Kallas '16 Casey McLellan '14 Austin Paul '16

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Chapin Hall, 8:00pm with pre-concert talk at 7:15pm in Brooks-Rogers with soloists

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4/25	8:00pm	The Annual Kusika/Zambezi Spring Concert	'62 Center for Theatre and Dance			
4/26	7:00pm	Williams Gospel Choir	Chapin Hall			
4/26	8:00pm	The Annual Kusika/Zambezi Spring Concert	'62 Center for Theatre and Dance			
4/27	4:00pm	Chamber Choir in the Rotunda	Williams College Museum of Art			
4/29	4:15pm	Class of 1960 Lecture with Prof. William Benjamin	Bernhard Room 30			
4/30	12:15pm	MIDWEEKMUSIC	Chapin Hall, stage			
5/1	4:00pm	Voice Studio Recital with Students of Erin Nafziger	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/2	8:00pm	Williams Jazz Ensemble with guest artist Benny Golson	Chapin Hall			
5/3	3:00pm	Senior Voice Recital with Fanny Mlawer '14 & Ilana Ellis '14	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/3	4:30pm	Senior Piano Recital with Sanghyun Im '14	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/3	7:00pm	Senior Piano Recital with Daniel Schreiner'14	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/4	3:00pm	Senior Voice Recital with Maia McCormick '14 &	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
		Sarah Sanders '14				
5/4	5:00pm	Woodwind Chamber Music Studio Recital	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/5	7:00pm	Senior Viola Recital with Johanna Eidmann '14	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/6	4:00pm	Senior Cello Recital with Patricia Ho '16	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/6	6:00pm	Violin Studio Recital with Students of Joanna Kurkowicz	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/7	12:15pm	MIDWEEKMUSIC	Chapin Hall, stage			
5/7	7:00pm	Violin Studio Recital with Students of Joana Genova	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/8	5:00pm	Clarinet Choir Studio Recital with Students of Susan Martula	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/8	8:00pm	Senior Piano Recital with Sarah Rosemann '14 &	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
		David Burns '14				
5/9	4:00pm	Senior Violin Recital with Sato Matsui '14	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/9	8:00pm	Williams Concert & Chamber Choirs	Chapin Hall			
5/10	4:00pm	Williams Vocal Jazz Ensemble	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			
5/10	5:30pm	The Williams Jazz Sextet	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall			

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