

PLU Honor Orchestra for Strings
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Sunday, January 14, 2024 at 5pm
Lagerquist Concert Hall, Mary Baker Russell Music Center

Pacific Lutheran University
The College of Professional Studies and School of Music, Theatre & Dance present

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Welcome to Lagerquist Concert Hall.
Please disable the audible signal on all watches and cellular phones for the duration of the concert.
Use of cameras, recording equipment and all digital devices is not permitted in the concert hall.

PROGRAM

To be selected from the following:

Carpe Diem! **Richard Meyer (b. 1957)**

Serenade for Strings **Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840-1893)**
IV. Finale arr. Richard Meyer

Serenade for String Orchestra **Norman Leyden (1917-2014)**
III. Nocturne

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String Quintet in C Major, op. 30, no. 6 **Luigi Boccherini (1743-1805)**
(“La Musica notturna delle strade di Madrid”), G. 324

The Ave Maria Bell
The Soldiers’ Drum
The Minuet of the Blind Beggars
The Rosary
Passa Calle
The Drum
The Retreat of the Night Watch

PLU Honor Orchestra Quartet
Svend Rønning and Li-Ling Liao, *violins* • Padua Canty, *viola*
Mara Finkelstein, *cello* • Anna Jensen, *bass*

St. Paul’s Suite in C Major, op. 29, no. 2 **Gustav Holst (1874-1934)**
IV. Finale, The Dargason

Vanishing Pointe **Richard Meyer**

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About the Guest Conductor



Richard Meyer is a highly sought-after music educator and maintains an active schedule as a guest conductor and clinician. For 35 years he taught string students at the elementary, middle school, and high school levels in the public schools. For 22 of those years, he directed the orchestras at Oak Avenue Intermediate School in Temple City, California, growing the program from 29 string students to 200 and was in charge of the city's elementary string program. In 2009, Mr. Meyer implemented the "Giving Bach" program at his school which has garnered national attention for its innovative ways of using interactive concerts to bring music into the lives of special needs and inner-city school students throughout Southern California.

He was the music director of the Pasadena Youth Symphony Orchestra for 16 years, conducting them in performances in New York, Washington D.C., Vienna, Australia, and Canada. He has been a featured clinician at the A.S.T.A. National Conference, Texas Orchestra Directors' Association Conference, Australia National Band and Orchestra Conference and string teachers' workshops at Ohio State University and Birch Bay, Washington. He has also guest-conducted All-State and Honor Orchestras in several states and abroad.

In addition to his teaching and conducting assignments, Mr. Meyer is a nationally-recognized, best-selling composer with over 200 compositions and arrangements in print, and for 16 years served as string editor for Alfred Publishing Company. He is the co-author of several string method books, including the popular "String Explorer" Series and "Sight-read It for Strings". He and his wife, Rose, live in Sierra Madre, California and have three daughters and four grandchildren.

About the PLU School of Music, Theatre & Dance

The PLU School of Music, Theatre & Dance is a nationally recognized center for musical performance, education, and community. From early in the morning to late at night students are practicing, studying, collaborating, and sharing their passion for musical growth. The Mary Baker Russell Music Center, an architectural and acoustical jewel on the PLU campus, houses the exquisite Lagerquist Concert Hall, spectacular Gottfried and Mary Fuchs Organ, and impressive rehearsal and classroom facilities. Our faculty—exceptional performers, composers, authors, and educators—consistently demonstrate artistry and musical leadership, dedication to nurturing talent, fostering an inclusive learning environment, and encouraging musical opportunities for all students. Every student at PLU who wishes to participate in exciting activities can be accommodated regardless of major. Degree programs include Bachelor of Arts (music and liberal arts), Bachelor of Musical Arts (music combined with an outside field), and Bachelor of Music (in performance or composition). The Bachelor of Music Education is offered for those intending to become music teachers in the public schools. For additional information, please call (253) 535-7602 or e-mail music@plu.edu.

The PLU Orchestras (the University Symphony Orchestra and KammerMusikeren, a chamber orchestra) provide a valuable training ground for orchestral musicians, preparing students for all aspects of orchestral performance. Through more than a dozen performances each season, they help celebrate important campus events, preserve and perpetuate the rich cultural tradition of our university and region, and enliven the campus-wide pursuit of the larger questions that face our students and members of our community. For more information about orchestral and string study at PLU, visit these web sites: www.plu.edu/symphony, www.plu.edu/strings, and follow the PLU Orchestras at [facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com/pluorchestras).

PLU Honor Orchestra 2024
Members (listed alphabetically in sections)

Violin 1

Zim Abell
Bethel High School
Nicholas Brazier
Central Kitsap High School
Jenelle Burritt
Emerald Ridge High School
Lola Davis
Emerald Ridge High School
William Farley
Mead High School
Nicole Fernandez
Auburn Riverside High School
Davin Hernandez
Tumwater High School
Morgan Hymas
Ridgeline High School
Sophia Kim
Lincoln High School
Reeva Nedungadi
Kentwood High School
Veronica Pak
Redmond High School
Claire Raymond
Kentwood High School
Lily Ryerson
Graham Kapowsin High School
Michaela Smith
Mead High School
Yukino Sokolik
North Thurston High School
Erin Sy
Central Kitsap High School
Brooke VanRavenswaay
Curtis High School
Hailey Vaught
Central Kitsap High School
Richie Vuthy
Bethel High School
Chloe Zheng
Mead High School

Violin 2

Polina Akulova
Bellevue High School
Summer Barney
Ridgeline High School
Mekaylah Belnap
Graham Kapowsin High School
Srividhya Bhat
Mead High School
Violet Boeddeker
Central Kitsap High School
Lucas Burbank
Central Kitsap High School
Emelia Espinosa
Curtis High School
Marissa Gomez
Bethel High School
Angeline Hamilton
Bainbridge High School
Eleanor Hixon
River Ridge High School
Lyllian Koch
Bethel High School

Chloe Lee
Kentwood High School
Joshua Lee
Bellevue High School
Marvic Mendez
Bethel High School
Nora Sims
Ridgeline High School
Aiden Stevens
Curtis High School
Josh Vandi
Graham Kapowsin High School
Nicole Zhang
Bellevue High School

Viola

Alan Arriola
Bethel High School
Savithri Bhat
Mead High School
Caleb Brumfield
Enumclaw High School
Nora Gesing
Kentwood High School
Sebastian Knapp
Redmond High School
Violet Knobel
Port Angeles High School
Mikaela Mock
River Ridge High School
Ryan Nguyen
North Thurston High School
Simon Overlease
Curtis High School
Henry Park
Bethel High School
Alisha Rajan
Auburn Riverside High School
Kai Ruzyla
Curtis High School
Sophia Sine
Ridgeline High School
Zoey Sulenes
Curtis High School
Brooklynn Terrill
Emerald Ridge High School
Egeton Thomas
Lakes High School
Logan Vaught
Central Kitsap High School
Melissa Wirthlin
Ridgeline High School
Ava Yu
Auburn Riverside High School
Haley Zigarlick
Mead High School

Cello

Clara Bentz
Bethel High School
Alexander Cromer
Bethel High School
Mason Dixon-Weaver
Bethel High School
Catalina Fraizer
Bremerton High School
Ellie-Jane Hanberg
Curtis High School
Sarah Hudspeth
Curtis High School
Braeden Baker-Huff
Port Angeles High School
Maycie Hymas
Ridgeline High School
Isaiah Long
Lincoln High School
Romy Ludy
Bethel High School
Lucille Mortimer
Enumclaw High School
RJ Ogletree
Bremerton High School
Aiden Ramirez
Kentwood High School
Stephan Rivera
Auburn Riverside High School
Grace Ruffner
Curtis High School
Jack Ruffner
Curtis High School
Jakob Stinson
Lakes High School

Bass

Quentin Bennett
Port Angeles High School
Owen Felt
Mead High School
Zoey Flinchbaugh
Graham Kapowsin High School
Tanay Jayakaran
Emerald Ridge High School
Annalise Jones
Curtis High School
Kai Johnson
River Ridge High School
Deborah McCoy
Curtis High School
Andy Pinedo
Spanaway Lake High School
Gabriel Rosales
North Thurston High School
Antwyone J. Washington
Bethel High School
Jaden Watt
Bethel High School

Nominating Teachers

Dorothy Baldwin
Mead High School
Michael Berry
Emerald Ridge High School
Martin Dimitrov
Spanaway Lake High School
Rebecca Gage
North Thurston High School
Camille Gates
Redmond High School
Anna Gildon
Graham Kapowsin High School
Matthew Grenzner
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Stuart Hake
Lincoln High School
Nathan Harrison
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