PLU Honor Orchestra for Strings
Carolyn Narelle Watson, guest conductor

Sunday, March 27, 2022 at 5pm
Lagerquist Concert Hall, Mary Baker Russell Music Center
Pacific Lutheran University
School of Arts and Communication / Department of Music presents

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Use of cameras, recording equipment and all digital devices is not permitted in the concert hall.

**PROGRAM**

*To be selected from the following:*

**Danzas de panama** ................................................................. William Grant Still (1895-1978)

- Tambo rioto
- Mejorana y Socavon

**Moon Feather Magic** ............................................................ Elena Kats-Chernin (b. 1957)

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**Three Rags** ................................................................................. William Bolcom (b. 1938)

- Poltergeist
- Graceful Ghost
- Incineratorag

PLU Honor Orchestra Quartet
Svend Rønning and Li-Ling Liao, *violins*
Padua Canty, *viola* • Anne Botka, *cello*

**Oblivion** ..................................................................................... Elena Kats-Chernin
arr. Thomas Kalb

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**Ruritainian Dances** ................................................................. George Palmer (b. 1947)

- I. Allegro
- II. Pesante ma confuoco
- III. Allegretto

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**About the PLU Music Department**

The Department of Music at Pacific Lutheran University is a nationally recognized center for musical learning, serving, and sharing. The Mary Baker Russell Music Center, with its exquisite Lagerquist Concert Hall and state-of-the-art rehearsal and learning facilities, brings together talented, cohesive faculty, outstanding students, and enthusiastic audiences to experience the art and industry of music. 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 universities and regions, 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.

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**About the Guest Conductor**

**Carolyn Watson** is Music Director of the La Porte County Symphony Orchestra in Indiana, commencing with the ‘21-22 season. Originally from Australia, she has been based in the United States since 2013 during which time she has led performances with the Austin Symphony, Catskill Symphony, Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra, Interlochen Philharmonic, Kansas City Ballet, Kansas City Chamber Orchestra, St. Joseph Symphony and World Youth Symphony Orchestra. Recruited internationally as Music Director of the Interlochen Arts Academy Orchestra, she won the 2015 American Prize for Orchestral Performance with this ensemble, also collaborating with soloists including Mark O’Connor and Alexandre Tharaud during her tenure. Carolyn continues to enjoy an ongoing association with Interlochen as conducting faculty at Interlochen Arts Camp and for Interlochen Online.

An experienced conductor of opera, 2021 saw Carolyn lead *Hansel and Gretel* for Amarillo Opera and Fellow at Des Moines Metro Opera, along with a production of *As One*. Most recently she conducted *And Still We Dream* for the Lyric Opera of Kansas City, her third engagement for the Lyric in as many years. This production was featured in the Emmy-Award winning PBS documentary, *Higher Octaves: Leading Women in the Arts*. In 2019 she was engaged to conduct the world premiere of Gordon Getty’s opera at Festival Napa Valley, and in 2017 Carolyn was one of six conductors selected for the Hart Institute for Women Conductors, where she led the Dallas Opera in two public performances.

A major prizewinner at the 2012 Emmerich Kálmán International Operetta Conducting Competition in Budapest, notable European credits include *Infektion!*, a festival of modern theatre celebrating the works of John Cage at the Staatsoper Berlin, conducting musicians of the Berlin Philharmonic in Interaktion, a residency at the Israeli National Opera, and assisting Sir Charles Mackerras on his final two productions at The Royal Opera, Covent Garden and Glyndebourne. Additional international conducting credits include the Brandenburger Symphoniker, BBC Concert Orchestra, Budapest Operetta Theatre, Bulgarian State Opera Bourgas, Duna Szimfonikus Budapest, North Czech Philharmonic Orchestra, Kammerphilharmonie Graz, Kodály Philharmonia Debrecen, Mihail Jora Philharmonic Romania, Savaria Symphony Orchestra, Scottish Chamber Orchestra, and in Russia, the St. Petersburg Chamber Philharmonic. In Australia she has worked with the Darwin Symphony, Sydney Philharmonia Choirs, Melbourne Youth Orchestra, Sydney Symphony, Tasmania Discovery Orchestra and Willoughby Symphony.

A committed music educator, Carolyn currently serves as Director of Orchestral Studies at the University of Kansas whilst continuing to enjoy an active freelance career throughout the US, Europe and Australia. Carolyn was a Fellow of the American Academy of Conducting at the Aspen Music Festival where she studied with David Zinnman, and has participated in master classes with Marin Alsop, Peter Eötvös, Yoel Levi, Martyn Brabbins and Alex Polishchuk. Carolyn is the recipient of a number of prestigious national and international awards for young conductors including the Brian Stacey Award for emerging Australian conductors, Sir Charles Mackerras Conducting Prize awarded via the Australian Music Foundation in London, Opera Foundation Australia’s Bayreuth Opera Award and Berlin New Music Opera Award and the Nelly Apt Conducting Scholarship. She is the beneficiary of support from the American Australian Association’s Dame Joan Sutherland Fund and a Sheila Pryor Study Grant from the Australian Opera Auditions Committee. She is also a Churchill Fellow, and was the recipient of a Creative Fellowship from the State Library of Victoria. Carolyn holds a PhD in Performance (Conducting) from the University of Sydney where she studied under Imre Palló. The subject of her doctoral thesis was *Gesture as Communication: The Art of Carlos Kleiber*.

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### Violin 1
- Katie Allen  
  *Curtis High School*
- Joshua Auman  
  *Kentlake High School*
- Jorie Dyvig  
  *Olympia High School*
- Keira Gan  
  *Auburn Riverside High School*
- Elizabeth Gauntlett  
  *River Ridge High School*
- Ava Hornbeck  
  *Curtis High School*
- Hangil Lee  
  *Olympia High School*
- Celeste Martin  
  *North Thurston High School*
- Olivia Norris  
  *Centralia High School*
- Natalie Pledger  
  *Silas High School*
- Chae-Yi Shanks  
  *Curtis High School*
- Brooke VanRavenswaay  
  *Curtis High School*
- Richie Vuthy  
  *Bethel High School*
- Jessilyn Ye  
  *Curtis High School*

### Violin 2
- Juniper Cervenka  
  *Port Townsend High School*
- Maya Dow  
  *Port Townsend High School*
- Marissa Gilliam  
  *Curtis High School*
- Kyle Kennemore  
  *North Thurston High School*
- Nidhi Krishna Kumar  
  *Olympia High School*
- Sophie Kunka  
  *Port Townsend High School*
- ChaeYin Lim  
  *Olympia High School*
- Marvic Mendez  
  *Bethel High School*

### Viola
- Jillian Allen  
  *Bethel High School*
- Hina Allen  
  *Ellensburg High School*
- Alan Arriola  
  *Bethel High School*
- John Foss  
  *North Thurston High School*
- Benjamin Kye  
  *Auburn Riverside High School*
- Katrina McIntosh  
  *Mariner High School*
- Yuna Shin  
  *Curtis High School*
- Colin Watson  
  *Curtis High School*
- Alex Yu  
  *Auburn Riverside High School*
- Yonatan Zergaw  
  *Mariner High School*

### Violoncello
- Jayna Butts  
  *Graham-Kapowsin High School*
- Elliot Capron  
  *Graham-Kapowsin High School*
- SeongEun Cho  
  *Auburn Riverside High School*
- Norah Duong  
  *Decatur High School*
- Madelynn Geelan  
  *Port Townsend High School*
- Owen Hart  
  *Cedarcrest High School*
- Sarah Hudspeth  
  *Curtis High School*
- Khadra Jeilani-Haji  
  *Auburn Riverside High School*
- Sabien Kinchlow-McConnaughey  
  *Bethel High School*
- Tomo Kunz-Taguchi  
  *Decatur High School*
- Maddison Nesheim  
  *Bethel High School*
- Lia Poore  
  *Port Townsend High School*
- Zia Rayray  
  *Graham-Kapowsin High School*
- Stephan Rivera  
  *Auburn Riverside High School*
- Marisa Robbins  
  *Bethel High School*
- Jack Ruffner  
  *Curtis High School*
- Caydence Schmitz  
  *Graham-Kapowsin High School*
- Allison Winternute  
  *Olympia High School*

### Contrabass
- Aurora Albright  
  *Mariner High School*
- Clara Bauman  
  *Silas High School*
- David Brannon  
  *Ellensburg High School*
- Azamat Eshtmuratov  
  *Mariner High School*
- Aniyvla Hyde  
  *Bethel High School*

### Nominating Teachers
- Melinda Wharton  
  *Auburn Riverside High School*
- Rebecca Pelandini  
  *Bethel HS*
- Dean Snively  
  *Cedarcrest High School*
- Alvina Olmstead  
  *Centralia High School*
- Matthew Grenzner  
  *Curtis High School*
- Rowena Hammill / Steve Gorringe  
  *Decatur High School*
- Charmian Bartlett  
  *Eastside Cello Private Studio*
- Kara Hunnicutt  
  *Ellensburg High School*
- Aaron Julyan  
  *Graham-Kapowsin High School*
- Tomick Necessary  
  *Kentlake High School*
- Robin Enders  
  *Mariner High School*
- Grant Sears  
  *North Thurston High School*
- Joe Dyvig  
  *Olympia High School*
- Daniel Ferland  
  *Port Townsend High School*
- Austin Schlichting  
  *River Ridge High School*
- Annie Daulton  
  *Sammamish High School*
- Taylor Beidatsch  
  *Silas High School*
- Anna Jensen  
  *Tacoma Youth Symphony*