University Symphony Orchestra

Sunday 7 October 2018
Miller Auditorium
3:00 p.m.

BRUCE UCHIMURA, Conductor

featuring

NATHAN LE, Cello Soloist
2018 Stulberg International String Competition Finalist

with

KARL SCHROCK, University Organist

Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov
1844–1908

Cortège “Procession of the Nobles” from Mlada Suite

Sir Edward Elgar
1857–1934

Concerto for Cello in E Minor Opus 85
Opus 85

I. Adagio: Moderato
II. Lento: Allegro molto
III. Adagio
IV. Allegro: Moderato: Allegro ma non troppo

Nathan Le, Cello

intermission

Camille Saint-Saëns
1835–1921

Symphony Number 3 in C Minor Opus 78 (“Organ”)
Opus 78

I. Adagio – Allegro moderato – Poco adagio
II. Allegro moderato – Presto – Maestoso

Karl Schrock, Organ

The University Symphony Orchestra wishes to thank professors Robert White and Alex Hayashi for leading sectionals and to the Stulberg International String Competition for this collaborative concert. Please join the orchestra for its next concert on Thursday, Nov. 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the Dalton Center Recital Hall, featuring student conductors in the works of Dvorak, Schubert, Verdi, Rimsky-Korsakov, and Liszt.

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Cellist **NATHAN LE**, a native of Los Angeles, California, is an 18-year-old college sophomore who studies with Mr. Laurence Lesser at the New England Conservatory. He is also a student at Harvard University. Previously, he studied with Mr. Ronald Leonard at the Colburn Music Academy. He has performed the cello concerti of Dvorak, Haydn, Elgar, and Tchaikovsky with orchestras in the Los Angeles area, as well as abroad in countries such as Russia, Austria, and Armenia. He has also performed in master classes with renowned musicians such as Gary Hoffman, Robert deMaine, Ben Hong, Ruslan Biryukov, Lynn Harrell, and David Geringas. Nathan has attended the Center Stage Strings (Mich.), Meadowmount, and Perlman Music Program summer festivals. In 2014, Nathan won the Bronze Medal at the Tchaikovsky International Competition for Young Musicians. In 2015, he was invited by the First Lady of Armenia to participate in the International New Names of Armenia Festival, where he performed with the Armenian National Philharmonic Orchestra. He also performed on the NPR radio show From the Top in March 2016 at the Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts. He was the recipient of the ASCAP Leiber and Stoller Music Scholarship in May 2017 and a winner of Young Virtuoso Award at the Berliner International Music Competition in September 2018. Nathan was selected as a finalist at the 2018 Stulberg International String Competition. He was also a Stulberg Competition semifinalist in 2017.

The School of Music is pleased to partner with the Stulberg Competition in showcasing the talented Stulberg contestants to the Kalamazoo community and providing these young musicians with the opportunity of performing with an orchestra. This partnership also honors Julius Stulberg, who was a School of Music faculty member from 1945–72 and conductor of the University Symphony Orchestra from 1945–68.

The Stulberg International String Competition accepts online applications from October 15 through February 1 from string students under the age of 20. On Sunday, Nov. 4, the Stulberg will collaborate with the Kalamazoo Junior Symphony in presenting bronze medalist Maya Anjali Buchanan at 4 p.m. in Chenery Auditorium. On Saturday, Jan. 26, the Stulberg joins with the Kalamazoo Symphony in presenting gold medalist Charlotte Marckx at 8 p.m. in Miller Auditorium. For complete information on these and other events, please visit stulberg.org.