University Symphony Orchestra

2019–20 Season
49th Concert

Sunday 6 October 2019
Miller Auditorium
3:00 p.m.

BRUCE UCHIMURA, Conductor

featuring
NATHAN LE, Cello Soloist
2019 Stulberg International String Competition Silver Medalist

Dmitri Shostakovich
1906–1975
Festive Overture Opus 96

Sergei Prokofiev
1891–1953
Symphonia Concertante for Cello and Orchestra in E Minor
I. Andante
II. Allegro giusto
III. Andante con moto

Nathan Le, Cello

intermission

Dmitri Shostakovich
Symphony Number 5 in D Minor Opus 47
I. Moderato
II. Allegretto
III. Largo
IV. Allegro non troppo

The University Symphony Orchestra wishes to thank Professors Robert White and Ellen Breakfield–Glick for leading sectionals and to the Stulberg International String Competition for this collaborative concert. Please join the orchestra for our next concert on Sunday, Nov. 10, at 3 p.m. in the Dalton Center Recital Hall, featuring Alex Hayashi performing Martinů’s Oboe Concerto in addition to Poet and Peasant Overture by von Suppe and Beethoven’s Symphony No. 7 in A Major. The concert will be repeated on the BPI series on Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Dalton Center Recital Hall.

Building emergencies will be indicated by the flashing of exit lights and sounding of chimes within the seating area. In any emergency, walk—do not run—to the nearest exit. Please turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices during the performance. Because of legal issues, any video or audio recording of this performance is prohibited without prior consent from the School of Music. Thank you for your cooperation.

This program and other select concert recordings are available for sale through the Western Sound Studio — 269-387-4720.
Cellist **NATHAN LE**, a native of Los Angeles, California, was awarded the Stulberg International String Competition Silver Medal in 2019. Le is a 19-year-old college sophomore in the New England Conservatory/Harvard dual-degree program studying with Laurence Lesser and also studying with Ruslan Biryukov. Previously, he studied with Ronald Leonard at the Colburn Music Academy. Le made his solo debut at age 11, performing Haydn's *Cello Concerto No. 1* with the Russian State Symphony Orchestra in St. Petersburg, Russia. Three years later, in 2014, he won 3rd Prize at the International Tchaikovsky 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 was also the recipient of the 2017 ASCAP Leiber and Stoller Music Scholarship, a finalist in the 2018 Stulberg International String Competition, and was awarded the Young Virtuoso Award in the 2nd Berliner International Music Competition. As a soloist, he has performed the cello concerti of Dvorak, Haydn, Elgar, and Tchaikovsky with many orchestras in his hometown of Los Angeles, as well as internationally in Russia, Austria, and Armenia. Nathan has attended the Center Stage Strings, Meadowmount, and Perlman Music Program summer festivals. He has also performed in masterclasses with renowned musicians such as David Geringas, Gary Hoffmann, Ralph Kirshbaum, and Robert deMaine.

The Western Michigan University 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, Feb. 9, the Stulberg will collaborate with the Kalamazoo Junior Symphony in presenting bronze medalist Sory Park at 4 p.m. in Chenery Auditorium. On Saturday, March 7, the Stulberg joins with the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra in presenting gold medalist Daniel Rafimayeri at 8 p.m. in Miller Auditorium. The 45th annual Stulberg Competition and Master Classes will take place on Saturday and Sunday, May 16–17 at WMU’s Dalton Center. For complete information on these and other events, please visit stulberg.org.
UNIVERSITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Bruce Uchimura, Conductor

Violin I
1. Amanda Stauffer, Concertmaster, Kalamazoo
2. Isabella Lysakowski, Associate Concertmaster, Santa Clara CA
3. Gabby Lindhurst, Assistant Concertmaster, Flint
4. Lindsey Dills, Brownstown
5. Antonia Suarez, Bogota
6. Violet Shippeert, Grand Rapids
7. Natalie Paiz, Alto
8. Linssey Ma, Grand Rapids
9. Najette Schragel, Elmhurst IL
10. Amanda Staufer, Concertmaster, Kalamazoo
11. Isabella Lysakowski, Associate Concertmaster, Santa Clara CA
12. Gabby Lindhurst, Assistant Concertmaster, Flint
13. Lindsey Dills, Brownstown
14. Antionia Suarez, Bogota
15. Violet Shippert, Grand Rapids
16. Natalie Paiz, Alto
17. Linssey Ma, Grand Rapids
18. Najette Schragel, Elmhurst IL

Violin II
1. Marlae Sloothaak, Co-Principal, Caledonia
2. Harmony Kelly, Co-Principal, Saginaw
3. Alexis Terrian, Assistant Principal, Kalamazoo
4. Xinyi Lu, Beijing, CHINA
5. Molly Hull, Traverse City
6. Kaela Hartman, North Muskegon
7. Andrew Rayl, Maybey
8. Samuel Tanner, Hudsonville
9. Aubry Ilkanic, Jenison
10. Alyssa McDonald, New Lenox IL
11. Erin Strache, New Lenox IL

Viola
1. Sava Velkoff, Co-Principal, Kalamazoo
2. Carlos Lozano, Co-Principal, Poza Rica de Hidalgo, MEXICO
3. Kennedy Dixon, Assistant Principal, Grand Rapids
4. Erin Lencour, Okemos
5. Kyle Bohlinger, Jenison
6. Laura Parra, Popayán, COLOMBIA
7. Amanda Loescher, Ypsilanti
8. Lauren Williams, Walled Lake
9. Becca Spurbeck, Assistant Principal, Lansing
10. Jacob Resendez, San Antonio TX
11. Jie Yang, Beijing, CHINA
12. Lydia Schubkegel, Kalamazoo (assisting)
13. Katie Forbush, Goodrich
14. Cynthia Atkinson, Alpena
15. Ethan Leonard, Marquette
16. Laura Slocum, Grand Haven
17. Carolyn Fortenberry, St Charles MO

Cello
1. Conor Large, Co-Principal, Novi
2. Andrew Gagiu, Co-Principal, Seattle WA
3. Kenny Kressin, Associate Principal, Orange CA
4. Becca Spurbeck, Assistant Principal, Lansing
5. Jacob Resendez, San Antonio TX
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Double Bass
1. Colin Taber, Principal, Okemos
2. Aiden Harmon, Associate Principal, Marquette
3. Nathan Westerbeek, Jenison
4. Liam Fisk, Okemos
5. Madison Miner, Walker
6. Lucas Aguado, East Lansing
7. Brandon Yenchus, Benton Harbor
8. Benjamin Lampman, Traverse City

Flute
1. Brittany Bissa, Principal, Sterling Heights
2. Bronté Spondike, Shelby Township
3. Emily O’Hanlon, Kalamazoo
4. Member of Sigma Alpha Iota music fraternity for women
5. Member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia music fraternity for men
6. Member of Kappa Kappa Psi honorary band fraternity

Oboe
1. Dylan Tanner, Principal, Greenville
2. Damion Glover, Kalamazoo
3. Jaden Duquette, Muskegon
4. Member of Sigma Alpha Iota music fraternity for women
5. Member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia music fraternity for men
6. Member of Kappa Kappa Psi honorary band fraternity

Clarinet
1. Jacob Murfin, Co-Principal, Fort Gratiot
2. Conor Sprunger, Co-Principal, Jackson (assisting)
3. Alex Kao, Verona WI
4. Member of Sigma Alpha Iota music fraternity for women
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Bassoon
1. Jacob Wilkins, Principal, Jenison
2. Ashley Watkins, Tomah WI
3. Jackson Crouse, Portage

Horn
1. Jessica Hopkins, Co-Principal, Kokomo IN
2. Karlee Kammaing, Co-Principal, Rockford
3. Amanda Stout, Washington IA
4. Cherylyn Lamphear, Galesburg
5. Phoebe Domanus, Palatine IL

Trumpet
1. Scott Brickner, Co-Principal, Columbus
2. Claire Langejans, Co-Principal, Schoolcraft
3. Martin Malfoe, Lake Orion
4. David Frazier, Kalamazoo

Tuba
1. Carolyn Howard, Lachine
2. Ian Gould, Dublin CA

Timpani
1. Spencer Gravel, Co-Principal, Ypsilanti
2. Carter Way, Co-Principal, Galesburg

Percussion
1. Spencer Gravel, Principal, Ypsilanti
2. Carter Way, Principal, Galesburg
3. Jeffrey Wetherford III, Lapeer
4. Maggie Racine, Mokena IL
5. Alex Martinelli, Ann Arbor

Harp
1. Molly Grettenberger, Kalamazoo (assisting)

Orchestra Staff
1. Jacob Resendez, Manager
2. Gabby Lindhurst, Librarian

Orchestra Staff
1. KSO/WMU Scholar
2. Julius & Esther Stulberg Scholar
3. Rhea Yeager Fetzer Music Scholar
4. Theodore Presser Scholar
5. Carroll J. Haas Sr. Violoncello Scholar
6. Herbert Butler Memorial Scholar
7. Dae Yang and Ellen Cha Scholar
8. Pine River String Scholar
9. Edwin E. Meader Theater and Performing Arts Scholar
10. Russell Brown Brass Quintet Scholar
11. Mary J. Bullock Trumpet Scholar
12. Harold and Beulah McKee Scholar

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