



Sunday, June 9, 2019 at 3:00 PM
Adelphi University Performing Arts Center

The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of New York Alumni Choir and Orchestra

JOSEPH M. MARTIN
(b. 1959)

The Awakening

CUBAN FOLK SONG
arr. Stephen Hatfield

Son de Camaguey

JAKE RUNESTAD
(b. 1986)

Let My Love Be Heard

TRADITIONAL CAMP FIRE SONGS
arr. Susan Brumfield

No Time

PAUL SIMON
(b. 1941)
arr. Kirby Shaw

Bridge Over Troubled Water

Shoshana Hershkowitz and Edward P. Norris III, *Music Directors*
Cara Brown, *Pianist*

Presentation of Senior Scholarship Awards

JOHN WILLIAMS
(1840–1893)

The Cowboys Overture

ANTONÍN DVOŘÁK
(1841–1904)

Symphony No. 9 in E Minor, “From the New World”
IV. Allegro con fuoco

Phil Preddice, *Music Director*

SERGEI RACHMANINOFF
(1873–1943)

Symphony No. 2 in E Minor, Op. 27
III. Adagio
IV. Allegro vivace

Scott Stickley, *Music Director*

Reception to follow upstairs in the Multipurpose Room

Alumni Music Directors



Shoshana Hershkowitz (Suffolk Symphonic Choir) holds degrees in music education and vocal performance from the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam. She is an artist in residence at Stony Brook University, where she conducts the Stony Brook Chorale and Camerata Singers, and prepares choirs for the opera productions. She is proud to be the founding conductor of MYO's Suffolk Symphonic Choir (formerly named the Suffolk Youth Chorale), which debuted in 2013. From 1999-2009, Mrs. Hershkowitz taught at Commack High School, where she directed mixed and women's choirs. As a guest conductor, Mrs. Hershkowitz has conducted choirs of all age levels for NYSSMA, Vermont American Choral Directors Association, Vermont Music Educators Association, Nassau Music Educators Association, Suffolk County Music Educators Association, Hamptons Music Educators Association, Three Village schools, and Eastern U.S. Music Camp. As a clinician, Mrs. Hershkowitz has presented workshops for NYSCAME, SCMEA, the Society for Ethics in Education, and the Balanced Mind Conference, as well as with school choirs and choral directors across Long Island. Mrs. Hershkowitz is a proud member of the eVoco Voice Collective, a semi-professional chamber choir. Mrs. Hershkowitz directed the MYO Tour Choir in Europe in the summer of 2018.



Edward P. Norris III (Nassau Chamber Chorale) is the director of Choral Music at Glen Cove High School. He conducts the Mixed Chorus and Select Chorale and also teaches courses in Music Theory, and AP Music Theory. During Mr. Norris' tenure at Glen Cove High School, the Mixed Chorus and Select Chorale have only received Gold Medals and Gold Medals with Distinction at the NYSSMA Major Ensemble festivals. In 2013, the Select Chorale was invited to perform at the White House for the President and Mrs. Obama, as well as other invited guests. In January of 2016, Mr. Norris and the Select Chorale performed in a concert tour of Italy which included performances at St. Peters Basilica, the Church of San Lorenzo, and the Basilica of St. Francis. While on tour, the Chorale had the distinct honor to perform for His Holiness; Pope Francis at the Feast of the Epiphany at St. Peters. In the spring of 2019, the Chorale will perform at the Music For All National Choral Festival in Indianapolis, Indiana. Mr. Norris is very fortunate to have been a guest conductor/clinician at many choral festivals and is also an adjunct professor at the Aaron Copland School of Music at Queens College. Currently in his twelfth year with MYO, Mr. Norris is extremely proud to be the director of the Chamber Chorale. In recent years, this group has performed some of the world's finest choral literature in stunning performance settings. Mr. Norris is extremely grateful for the opportunity to work with these fine young vocalists!



Phil Preddice (Suffolk Principal Orchestra) is a graduate of the Crane School of Music where he studied viola with Lamar Alsop, Theodore Israel, and Maurice Baritaud. His conducting studies were carefully guided by Professor Brock McElheran. Performances under the batons of Eugene Ormandy, Stanley Chappel, Christopher Keene and Aaron Copland inspired Mr. Preddice to reach for new heights as a conductor. He has been the conductor of the Suffolk Principal Orchestra since its formation in 2008. Mr. Preddice is the founding and Principal Conductor of the Crane School of Music Alumni Festival Orchestra. He is a composer, with several works premiered by the MYO Suffolk Principal Orchestra. Mr. Preddice frequently conducts State, and Regional Festival Orchestras. For many years, he worked as Principal Conductor of the New York State Summer School of the Arts String Orchestra in Saratoga. Mr. Preddice is a past President of the Suffolk County Music Educator's Association. Additionally, he has held Executive Board positions with the Long Island String Festival Association, and the New York State American String Teacher's Association. He is currently retired from a career as Orchestra director in the Commack, Shoreham-Wading River, and Three Village school districts. Mr. Preddice is the recipient of the 2000 Helen Hosmer Excellence in Music Teaching Award, granted by the Alumni Association of the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam.



Scott Stickley (Nassau Principal Orchestra) is one of The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of New York's longest-tenured conductors. Since MYO's inception, Mr. Stickley has seen the organization become one of the largest youth Orchestra and choir programs in the country. Highlights of Maestro Stickley's tenure include an audience-acclaimed tour of Central Europe featuring benefit concerts in Vienna, Dresden and Berlin; a 2016 MYO Orchestra performance at the Granada International Festival of Music and Dance; a 2014 Carnegie Hall world premiere of Norwegian composer Ola Gjeilo's choral masterwork "To the East and To the West"; a dynamic 2007 performance at the New York State School Music Association Conference; a first-time MYO performance of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony at David Geffen Hall in 2006; and a 2004 performance of Pulitzer Prize-winning composer Paul Moravec's MYO commission and world premiere, "New York Dances". Soloists featured with MYO under his direction include the New York Philharmonic's clarinetist Stanley Drucker, Metropolitan Opera soprano Danielle de Niese,

and international piano soloist Gilles Vonsattel. Scott Stickley teaches instrumental music for the Herricks Schools, has served as interim director for the Adelphi University Orchestra, and guest conducted the Orchestra at the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam. Hailing from Oregon, he holds degrees from the University of Oregon and the University of Michigan. He studied conducting at the Tanglewood Music Center and attended conducting seminars with Gustav Meier, Michael Tilson Thomas, and Roger Norrington.

Alumni Choir Pianist



Cara Brown (Nassau Chamber Chorale) received her Bachelor of Music Degree from Butler University and her Master's Degree in Music Education from Hofstra University. She currently serves as Music Teacher at Miller Avenue School in the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District. In addition to her work at Miller Avenue, Ms. Brown maintains an active practice teaching private piano and voice lessons and also serves as Associate Artistic Director and Director of Educational Programming at the Smithtown Performing Arts Center. Previously the Resident Musical Director for the Smithtown Performing Arts Center, she has received multiple Broadway World nominations for Best Musical Direction and her private students are regularly selected to attend All-County and All-State festivals. Ms. Brown has served as accompanist and assistant conductor for the Nassau Youth Chorale (now Nassau Chamber Chorale) since 2007.

Program Dedication



Ramon Guerrero, 1964-2018, devoted dad to Marcos (tuba player with our Suffolk Principal Orchestra), loving husband to Holly, fiercely loyal and dedicated member of The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of New York's Board of Directors, and forever part of our MYO Family. Ramon was the first face and voice of our organization and he made MYO a better and kinder place.

We are honoring Ramon's memory with a MYO Memorial Senior Scholarship in his name.

Musicians

Alumni Choir

Soprano

Amanda Caliguiri, *Stony Brook University*
Emma Cesario, *Stony Brook University*
Catherine Daniels, *SUNY Fredonia*
Courtney Dunn, *H. Frank Carey HS*
Sydney Flem, *Northport HS*
Emma Haley, *Tufts University*
Cassandra Koch, *SUNY Fredonia*
Jaclyn Koch, *Longwood HS*
Keana Lee, *SUNY Old Westbury*
Gabriella Lettieri, *Class of 2018*
Sarah Leventhal, *Class of 2017*
Fiona Lyngstad-Hughes, *Great Neck South HS*
Dina Paci, *Class of 2014*
Liana Pirraglia, *Comsewogue HS*
Kathryn Saylor, *SUNY Fredonia*
Rachel Schlusberg, *Great Neck North HS*
CaroleAnn Scott, *Rutgers University*
Emily Shallbetter, *University of Maryland*
Amanda Sheehan, *North Carolina State University*
Emily Silhan, *Hofstra University*
Jessica Staiano, *SUNY Fredonia*
Rachel Steiner, *Ithaca College*
Kyla Surajbali, *Herricks HS*
Polly Taylor, *University of Delaware*

Alto

Lily Cooper, *Laurel Springs School*
Allyson Greenstein, *LIU Post*
Alanna Kane, *Dartmouth College*
Angelina Magin, *Portledge School*
Molly Perrone, *SUNY Geneseo*
Luna Tomaszewski, *College of St. Rose*
Emily Valadez, *Stony Brook School*
Jasmin Villatoro, *Class of 2017*
Noelle Young, *University of Dayton*

Tenor

Gabriel Alvarado, *Freeport HS*
Thomas Amato, *Class of 2013*
Jay Caporusso, *Eastport-South Manor Jr/Sr HS*
Jose Garcia, *East Meadow HS*
Jimmy Gratta, *Hofstra University*
Thomas Lownds, *Class of 2017*
Colin McCready, *Newfield HS*
Gabriel Silva, *Longwood HS*

Bass

Nicholas Pattilio, *Class of 2018*
Richard Peter, *Five Towns College*
Laurence Plonsky, *Hofstra University*
Malachi Thomas, *Malverne HS*
Michael Kruzynski, *Shoreham-Wading River HS*
Nick O'Brien, *Ithaca College*

***Be sure to save the date for next year's MYO Alumni Concert on
Sunday, June 14, 2020 at Adelphi University Performing Arts Center***

Alumni Orchestra

Violin

Christina Ashby, *Class of 2014*
Adam Birke, *Class of 2005*
Jason Caballes, *University of Buffalo*
*Christian Cang cuesta, *East Meadow HS*
Chelsea Coelho, *Sacred Heart University*
Abigail de Reyna, *Catholic University of America*
Lauren Dimilta, *Adelphi University*
Kailyn Fan, *Valley Stream North HS*
Vincent Fasano, *Peabody Institute*
*Catherine Fish, *Director of Orchestras at Herricks HS*
Sapphire Greene, *Queens College*
Kelly Klein, *Class of 2009*
Laura Kobrinsky, *SUNY Oneonta*
Gregory Krajci, *Director of Orchestras at W.T. Clarke HS*
Peter Li, *Cornell University*
Liza O'Connor, *Duke University*
Nicole Pellman, *SUNY Potsdam*
Sarah Peppe, *Elizabethtown College*
Joseph Pollizatto, *SUNY Farmingdale*
Henry Qi, *W.T. Clarke HS*
Thomas Ransom, *SUNY Potsdam*
John Rotolo, *Adelphi University*
Sheryl Skroski, *Comsewogue HS*
Charles Sun, *Stony Brook University*
Sabrina Zuniga, *Brentwood Ross HS*

Viola

Iliana Barcenias, *Eastman School of Music*
Angela Gullo, *Commack HS*
Ryan Krieger, *Rochester Institute of Technology*
Ashley Smith, *Connetquot HS*

Cello

Tashauna Dyer, *Class of 2010*
Adam Kuhn, *University of Maryland*
Hanah Leventhal, *North Shore HS*
Nicholas Lyons, *Patchogue-Medford HS*
Matthew Rhee, *Gordon College*
Ava Schully, *Earl L. Vandermeulen HS*
Felicya Schwarzman, *Columbia University*
Lindsay Stancampiano, *Mount Sinai HS*
Kayla Yim, *Binghamton University*
Raffaella Zanetti, *Herricks HS*

Bass

Joseph Imburgia, *West Islip HS*
Jonathan Kobrinsky, *SUNY Fredonia*
Kyle Markland, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*
Nicholas Mrakovic, *Manhattan School of Music*
Trevor Satchell-Sabalja, *Ithaca College*
Dylan Webb, *SUNY Fredonia*

Flute

Mallory Dillworth, *St. John's University*
Sarah Ferrante, *St. Joseph's College*
Danielle Fisher, *Rowan University*
Maya Mehta, *Hofstra University*
Mallory Rutigliano, *Class of 2013*
Rachel Stempler, *University of Miami*

Oboe

Allison Dana, *SUNY Fredonia*
Robin Shum, *Adelphi University*
Derek Warshauer, *SUNY Potsdam*

English Horn

Derek Warshauer, *SUNY Potsdam*

Clarinet

Melvin Li, *Iowa Writers' Workshop*
Kristen Papillo, *Manhattanville College*
Ju Young Yi, *Herricks HS*

Bassoon

Emily Zhou, *Wake Forest University*

French Horn

Ethan Fields, *SUNY Fredonia*
Daniel Itzkowitz, *Great Neck North HS*
Ryan Krug, *Ward Melville HS*
David Pennise, *Hofstra University*
Sheyla Turcios, *Westbury HS*

Trumpet

Melissa Barnett, *SUNY Fredonia*
Daniel Jones, *Eastman School of Music*
Zachary Perez, *Hamilton College*
David Rotunno, *Earl L. Vandermeulen HS*
Sam Taylor, *Chaminade HS*

Trombone

Joseph Hudson, *SUNY Potsdam*
Edward Matin, *SUNY Potsdam*
Alec Vogel, *SUNY Potsdam*

Tuba

Jesse Hirshon, *W.T. Clarke HS*

Percussion

Andrew Grossman, *Class of 2011*
Christopher Jannotta, *Class of 2020*
Lawrence Jannotta, *Guest Performer*

*Co-Concertmasters

MYO Senior Scholars 2004–2018

2004–2005

Leslie Fink, Trumpet, MYO Principal Orchestra, Paul and Patrice Sheldon Scholarship
Nathaniel Liberty, Viola, MYO Chamber Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Sho Omagari, Violin, MYO Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship

2005–2006

Kelvin Chang, Cello, MYO Principal Orchestra, Paul and Patrice Sheldon Scholarship
Leslie Krotman, Soprano, MYO Youth Chorale, MYO Senior Scholarship
Gabrielle Rozenberg, Percussion, MYO Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship

2006–2007

Scott Davis, Double Bass, MYO Principal Orchestra, Paul and Patrice Sheldon Scholarship
Naomi Marcus, Percussion, MYO Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Erin Steigerwald, Trumpet, MYO Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship

2007–2008

Michael Bai, Violin, MYO Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Andrew Fund, Cello, MYO Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Robert Sirois, Bassoon, MYO Principal Orchestra, Paul and Patrice Sheldon Scholarship

2008–2009

Sara Chudow, Violin, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Dahlia Hassan, Cello, Nassau Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Charles Paccione, Violin, Nassau Principal Orchestra, Paul and Patrice Sheldon Scholarship

2009–2010

Sapphire Greene, Violin, Nassau Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Lauren Milano, Violin, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Leslie Ratner, Horn, Nassau Principal Orchestra, Paul and Patrice Sheldon Scholarship

2010–2011

Anthony Madonna, Cello, Nassau Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Emily Brodtman, Double Bass, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Alison Verderber, Violin, Nassau Principal Orchestra, Paul and Patrice Sheldon Scholarship

2011–2012

Douglas Aliano, Double Bass, Nassau Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Kayleigh Rose Cook, Horn, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, Paul and Patrice Sheldon Scholarship
Juliette Elizabeth Incandela, Cello, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship

2012–2013

Marena Minelli, Violin, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, Patrice and Paul Sheldon Scholarship
Shari Paltrowitz, Bassoon, Nassau Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Felicya Schwarzman, Cello, Nassau Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship

2013–2014

Taylor Burgess, Soprano, Suffolk Youth Chorale, MYO Senior Scholarship
Alexander Della Ratta, Tuba, Nassau Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Kristin DiMonte, Soprano, Nassau Youth Chorale, MYO Senior Scholarship
Nicholas O'Brien, Viola and Composer, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Leah Stevens, Flute, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Joslyn Thomas, Alto, Nassau Youth Chorale, MYO Senior Scholarship

2014–2015

Esther Chung, Soprano and Violin, Nassau Chamber Chorale and Nassau Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Ethan Fields, Horn, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Emma Haley, Soprano, Nassau Chamber Chorale, Joseph Ferriso Memorial Scholarship
Simon Lee, Oboe, Nassau Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Sarah Miller, Cello, Nassau Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Nicole Soder, Violin, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, Veronica Franco Memorial Scholarship

2015–2016

John Burke-McGoldrick, Trombone, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Christopher Fludd, Tenor, Nassau Chamber Chorale, MYO Senior Scholarship
Thomas Loomis, Bass, Suffolk Youth Chorale, Veronica Franco Memorial Scholarship
Laura Maila, Violin, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Nicholas Mrakovic, Double Bass, Nassau Principal Orchestra, Joseph Ferriso Memorial Scholarship
Emily Shallbetter, Soprano, Nassau Chamber Chorale, MYO Senior Scholarship

2016–2017

Sophie Berman, Soprano and Viola, Suffolk Youth Chorale and Principal Orchestra, Grace McDermott Memorial Scholarship
Julianna Curran, Alto, Nassau Chamber Chorale, MYO Senior Scholarship
Allison Dana, Oboe, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Catherine Daniels, Alto, Suffolk Youth Chorale, Veronica Franco Memorial Scholarship
Daniel Jones, Trumpet, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Jonathan Kobrinsky, Double Bass, Nassau Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Michael Verso, Trumpet, Nassau and Suffolk Principal Orchestras, Joseph Ferriso Memorial Scholarship

2017–2018

Grace Donofrio, Soprano, Suffolk Symphonic Choir, Veronica Franco Memorial Scholarship
Claire Ezratty, Cello, Nassau Principal Orchestra, Grace McDermott Memorial Scholarship
Vincent Fasano, Violin and Piano, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, MYO Senior Scholarship
Amelia Libbey, Flute, Suffolk Principal Orchestra, Genelle Taney Memorial Scholarship
Matthew Rhee, Cello, Nassau Principal Orchestra, Joseph Ferriso Memorial Scholarship
Alyssa Sposato, Soprano, Suffolk Symphonic Choir, MYO Senior Scholarship
Jessica Staiano, Soprano, Nassau Chamber Chorale, MYO Senior Scholarship

2018–2019

To be announced today

ABOUT THE METROPOLITAN YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF NEW YORK

The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of New York (MYO) is committed to fostering a community of talented young musicians from Long Island and providing them with an opportunity to rehearse and perform choral and orchestral masterworks at the highest possible level with recognized leaders in music education and performance. Founded in 1993 by John C. McNeur, MYO has grown from a 15-piece orchestra to seven orchestras and seven choirs, serving close to 1,000 musicians between the ages of 8 and 18. MYO enjoys a rich tradition of international summer performance tours, beginning with the 1997 tour to Germany, France, and Austria through the most recent tour to Berlin, Dresden, Prague, Vienna, and Budapest in July 2018.

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