

WELCOME

Welcome to a new season of Masterworks performances with the Quad City Symphony Orchestra! I am so honored to be able to guide you through this season of carefully curated compositions. Each program is designed to give you a brief introduction to the pieces and guest artists, spotlight different instruments of the orchestra, prepare you to attend a Masterworks performance, and have a little fun.

Masterworks I: Ode to Joy is a unique blend of Romantic and Modern orchestral music. Jonathan Bailey Holland's companion piece Ode uses an SATB choir setting, like Beethoven, that creates a thread that pulls the two pieces together. The hip hop influence provides the perfect mix of rhythmic interest and full brass sound that gives strength to the piece while still leaving space for solo voice to come through.

Ludvig van Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 takes the choral and orchestral duo to a level of fanfare unheard of before his time. The finale is iconic and continues to be used in films and commercials to this day. It wouldn't be shocking if first time listeners could sing the melodic material of the "Ode to Joy" motif. A piece that was 25+ years in the making, the Ninth Symphony utilizes an unusually large orchestra uncommon during the Romantic era of music. This isn't surprising as Beethoven is known for breaking the

Thank you for spending your time with the Quad City Symphony Orchestra.

Make sure you follow the QCSO on the various social media platforms to receive information about upcoming performances and events.

Kimberly Gardner *Music Educator & Content Creator*



first timers GUIDE

BEFORE the CONCERT

- Arrive 20-30 minutes before the start so you have time to find your seat and get comfortable.
- Come as you are! You may see some people in evening dresses and others in jeans and a t-shirt. There is no dress code.
- Try sitting in different spots each time you attend a concert to find the best spot for you to enjoy the music.
- Take a quick selfie.





DURING the CONCERT

- If you happen to come late, wait until a piece ends before coming through the doors. Ushers can help you figure out the best time to go into the auditorium. This keeps you from distracting performers and audience members during the performance.
- If you are unsure when to clap, it's always safe to assume that a piece is complete when the conducto puts down their arms and faces the audience.
- Phones **must** be silenced.
- Pictures may be taken if there is no flash and the screen is dimmed for night mode. We don't want to disturb others or take away from their experience.
- Some performances will have short intermissions.
 This is a great time to stand, stretch, or even make a trip to the restroom. Be quick because the time goes fast.

AFTER the CONCERT

- Tag the QCSO in any pictures you share on social media.
- Talk about your experience with your family and friends.



QUAD CITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Founded in 1915 as the Tri-City Symphony Orchestra

The Quad City Symphony Orchestra string section uses rotating seating. Players behind the named chairs

VIOLIN I

Naha Greenholtz. Concertmaster Emily Nash.

Associate Concertmaster Yoo-Jung Chang Sam Battista Frika Blanco Dortha DeWit Marley Haller Hillary Kingsley Corina Lobont Susan Oliverius Rachel Peters Frik Rohde Sabrina Tabby+

VIOLIN II

Autumn Chodorowski, Principal Ianis Sakai, Associate Principal Charles Abplanalp Hannah Barton Madeline Capistran Elizabeth Gosma Renee Henley Peter Miliczky Alex Norris+ Samuel Rudy Will Samorey Danielle Simandl Carolyn Van De Velde

VIOLA

Deborah Dakin, Principal Nick Munagian Associate Principal **Bridget Andes** Timothy Hoorelbek Benjamin Lorentzen Davis Perez Barrett Stoll Bruno Vaz da Silva Jenwei Yu

CELLO

Hannah Holman, Principal Laura Shaw, Associate Principal James Ellis Derek Handley Claire Langenberg Elisabeth Oar+ **Amy Phelps** Kevin Price-Brenner Kate Vos

DOUBLE BASS

Michael Van Ryn

David Scholl, Principal Kit Polen, Associate Principal loe Bauer David Chapman-Orr Iulia Holst-Kanakares Brett Lewis Victor Stahoviak

FLUTE

Jessica Warren, Principal Ellen Huntington Jilene VanOpdorp

OBOE

Andrew Parker, Principal Lindsay Flowers

CLARINET

Daniel Won, Principal Christine Bellomy

BASSOON

Benjamin Coelho, Principal Matthew Kowalczyk+ Dana Ransom

HORN

Marc Zyla, Principal+ Steve Burian, **Assistant Principal** Peter Kortenkamp Joshua Johnson Allison Tutton

TRUMPET

Matthew Baker, Principal Lindsey Frazier+

TROMBONE

Vacant Position, Principal Robert Parker⁺

BASS TROMBONE

Andrew Rózsa

TUBA

Ronald Morton

TIMPANI

Michael Geary, Principal

PERCUSSION

Aaron Williams, Principal Gary Ciccotelli Tony Oliver+

HARP

Lillian Lau, Principal+ Pamela Weest-Carrasco

PIANO/CELESTA

Mary Neil

+ Denotes Instructor in the QCSO Private Lesson Program

MASTERWORKS I

ode to JOY

Saturday, October 1, 2022 7:30 pm ADLER THEATRE DAVENPORT, IOWA

Sunday, October 2, 2022 2:00 pm CENTENNIAL HALL **ROCK ISLAND. ILLINOIS**

Mark Russell Smith, Jacqueline Piccolino, soprano Katherine Pracht, mezzo-soprano Alex Boyer, tenor

& Choral Artists,

JOHN STAFFORD SMITH (1750-1836)

The Star-Spangled Banner*

JOHNATHAN **BAILEY HOLLAND**

(b. 1974)

Ode

I. The anticipation II. Millions, Marching (Homage to Jamal and

III. Those Tones

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

(1841-1904)

Symphony No. 9 in D minor, Op. 125

> I. Allegro ma non troppo, un poco maestoso

II. Molto vivace

III. Adagio molto e cantabile

IV. Finale

concert performed without intermission

COUNCIL IOWA DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS NATIONAL # ENDOWMENT





*Out of respect for those fallen in service of our country, we ask that you do not applaud after the playing of the Star-Spangled Banner.

MEET the artists

Katy Pracht

Mezzo-soprano, Katherine Pracht, grew up in Davenport, IA, in a musical household with her parents, 4 brothers and 2 sisters. In addition to singing in choirs, Pracht played the flute for 10 years (JB Young Junior High, Central High School) then focused on classical singing when she went to college at the University of Iowa. Following her Masters degree in Milwaukee, Pracht began singing opera professionally, building her career for more than 20 years. Pracht has sung opera internationally and in American concert halls including Carnegie Hall, the Kennedy Center, and Lincoln Center. Ms. Pracht loves singing all music, especially contemporary American opera and concert music. Ms. Pracht currently lives in Bowling Green, Ohio, where she has returned to school to get her doctorate in contemporary music performance. In addition to singing, Pracht enjoys building puzzles and spending time with her husband, opera-singer/ teacher/ baritone Keith Phares, her stepchildren,

Molly and Patrick, and their dog, Arthur.

WHY DID YOU CHOOSE YOUR CURRENT MUSICAL CAREER?

My mother is a classical singer, she sang at home all the time. I knew she majored in vocal music in college, and because I enjoyed singing, I decided I wanted to do that too. I am lucky that performing was the right choice for me.

WHAT/WHO INSPIRES YOU TO CREATE AND/OR PERFORM?

I love acting and transforming into a character, especially characters in brand new operas that no one has ever sung before... it is my opportunity to create something completely my own.

WHAT, IF ANY OTHER CAREER(S) DO YOU HAVE OUTSIDE OF PERFORMING? I am now becoming a voice teacher in addition to performing.

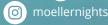
HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN STUDYING MUSIC? More than 25 years!

WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE INSTAGRAM AND/OR TIKTOK ACCOUNTS TO **FOLLOW?**

wliverman15

belcantobootcamp

cantabile school



WHAT/WHO ARE YOU LISTENING TO NOW?

My husband, Keith is my fave DJ, he makes playlists...here is one from August, 2022!

Alex Boyer

Tenor, Alex Boyer, is known for his commanding voice and dramatic portrayals of the lyric and spinto tenor repertoire. Hailed by the San Francisco Chronicle for Festival Opera's production of Pagliacci, Boyer "mustered a large, potent sound that brought a welcome measure of anguish and dark menace to the role of Canio; his delivery of the famous showpiece 'Vesti la giubba' lacked nothing in the way of grit and vocal power." He is an alumnus of the Merola Opera Program and was an Apprentice with the Santa Fe Opera. A New York native, Boyer holds degrees from Boston University and Manhattan School of Music.



WHY DID YOU CHOOSE YOUR CURRENT MUSICAL CAREER?

Growing up, the classical radio station was always playing in my house. I started playing the cello in 3rd grade, and started singing in high school. I've always reveled in the force and power of music, and being an opera singer, centered in the creation of that force, was too incredible to pass up.

WHAT/WHO INSPIRES YOU TO CREATE AND/OR PERFORM?

The composers themselves and the notes on the page. I listen to as much as I can. Luciano Pavarotti has also been an inspiration.

WHAT, IF ANY OTHER CAREER(S) DO YOU HAVE OUTSIDE OF PERFORMING?

Singing is what I do full time, though I like to be creative in other areas too. I enjoy woodworking, and building things in general.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN STUDYING MUSIC?

I've been singing for 20 years!

WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE INSTAGRAM AND/OR TIKTOK ACCOUNTS TO **FOLLOW?**

Not so much on Instagram or TikTok, but I do subscribe to a lot of different YouTube channels.

- Baumgartner Restoration
- Z1 Gaming
- Food Wishes

- Technology Connections
- Aging Wheels

WHAT/WHO ARE YOU LISTENING TO NOW?

Chances are I'll be listening to some Pavarotti recording of an opera!

NOTES on the program Jonathan Bailey Holland

b. 1974 in Flint, Michigan

Interlochen Arts Academy, High School Curtis Institute of Music, Bachelor of Music Harvard University, PhD in Music

Ode was commissioned by the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra and premiered on November 9, 2018. It was written to be a companion piece to Beethoven's 9th Symphony which means they are meant to be played together on the same program. This piece, like the 9th Symphony, includes a full SATB chorus with the orchestra.



MAJOR EVENTS of 2018

FEB 9

Opening of the Winter Olympics held in PyeongChang, South Korea.

APR 14 & 21 APR 26 Beyonce became the first woman of color to headline at Coachella.

The National Memorial for Justice and Peace opened in

Montgomery, Alabama.

MAY 19

Meghan Markle married Prince Harry

LISTEN to other works by JONATHAN BAILEY HOLLAND





El Jaleo



Synchrony



Stories From Home

2 TRUTHS and a LIE

Read each of the 3 statements below and see if you can guess which is the lie. The answer is on the last page of the program.



- Jonathan Bailey Holland is the Chair of Composition, Contemporary Music, and Core Studies at Boston Conservatory at Berklee.
- Jonathan Bailey Holland is a member of the Jazz at the Lincoln Center Orchestra.

Ludwig van Beethoven

b. 1974 in Germany - d. 1827 in Vienna, Austria

Symphony No. 9 has been such a commemorable piece because Beethoven combines choral and orchestral ensembles in such a way to create a sound that hadn't been created before. The finale is where we get to hear the chorus. The motif or main theme that many recognize is

what Friedrich Schiller's poem Ode to Joy is set to. During the years that Beethoven composed Symphony No. 9, he was losing his hearing. By the time it premiered, he had completely lost his hearing. He never heard the symphony in its entirety. At the premiere of Symphony No. 9, someone had to turn Beethoven to the crowd to see the raving applause his piece was receiving because he could not hear it.

MAJOR EVENTS of 1824

Joseph Fourier is credited with discovering the phenomenon now known as the "greenhouse effect."

MAR 5

The First Burmese War: The British officially declare war on Burma.

APR 17

Slavery is abolished in Costa Rica.

OCT 4 Mexico becomes a republic.

LISTEN to other works by LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN



Symphony No. 3, Eroica Symphony No. 5



Piano Sonata in C-Sharp minor, Moonlight Sonata

2 TRUTHS and a LIE

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- Mozart and Beethoven grew up in the same town and studied music together.
- Symphony No. 9 was the last large-scale piece that Beethoven composed before he died.
- Symphony No. 5 was used in the film Fantasia 2000.

instrument SPOTLIGHT



TROMBONE

Bass Clef is used when reading notes on a staff.

FAMILY

Brass - These instruments produce sound using a mouthpiece that you buzz your lips into.

ENSEMBLES

orchestras, wind bands/symphonies, brass quartets, brass quintets, jazz bands, marching bands, and brass bands.

Originally known as the sackbut until the 1700s, some version of the trombone has been in orchestral music since the 15th century. In the 1800s and 1900s, the trombone was written into more orchestra pieces and given more prominent parts. They moved past being just the bassline. There are usually 2 tenor trombones and 1 bass trombone in an orchestra. The trombone is different from the other brass instruments in that it uses a slide to change pitches instead of valves. If you were to straighten out the tubing of the trombone the instrument would be 9 feet long! This is why the instrument has a lower range compared to the trumpet. The bass trombone has a trigger that adds more tubing length and can play as low as a tuba!

TROMBONISTS to check out!



Christian Lindberg





Trombone Shorty









Joseph Alessi





Professional organizations for instruments are great places to find out the most recent information about festivals, get access to journals about the instrument, and learn about competitions and awards that could result in performing opportunities or scholarship money.



NTERNATIONAL TROMBONE ASSOCIATION



HISTORIC BRASS SOCIETY

did you KNOW...

THE QUAD CITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA HAS PERFORMED THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH PERFORMANCE SINCE 1941?

While several compositions have the honor of appearing multiple times on more than 100 years of playbills, one piece has the distinction of being performed more often than any other, The Star-Spangled Banner. General Manager Elsie Von Maur instituted the custom of placing it at the beginning of every program immediately after the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941, which coincided with a Sunday performance date. Those in attendance rose to sing the lyrics in patriotic fervor. It immediately became a fixture at all future concerts, accompanied by audience participation with every crisp rendition and notably concluding without applause.

The custom remains today, but it endured a memorable community controversy. It was removed from one concert in November, 1990. Vocal and written objections from some patrons and members of the public were swift and stinging. The negative reaction was enough to outweigh considerations that the national anthem was distracting to the music and uncomfortable for senior patrons due to the standing factor. While opinions were judged to be about 50-50 on the issue, the intensity of the voices to return to tradition ruled the day. The Star-Spangled Banner resumed its place on the program for the December concert, where it continues to wave over the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Adapted from 100 Years Stories courtesy of the German American Heritage Center.

MUSIC JOKES

- What is Beethoven doing now? Decomposing.
- Why did Beethoven get annoyed at his chickens? They kept saying Bach, Bach, Bach.
- Why can't skeletons play church music? Because they have no organs.
- What song do vampires hate? You Are My Sunshine.



SUBMIT A JOKE If you would like to send in a joke for the next program, just fill out the form and we will give you a shout out.



what's coming up at the QCSO?



TWO REMAIN (OUT OF DARKNESS)



October 22 @ 7:30 pm

This moving and emotional two-act chamber opera by composer Jake Heggie and librettist Gene Scheer is based on the true stories of two Holocaust survivors: In Act I, Krystyna Żywulska, assisted by ghosts of Auschwitz, shares her story of survival with a journalist. In Act II Gad Beck is haunted by his first love, the poet Manfred Lewin, who perished in Auschwitz.



MASTERWORKS II: FIT FOR A KING



November 5 @ 7:30 pm & November 6 @ 2:00 pm

This concert rich with royalty begins with Duke Ellington's jazz and gospel-influenced Three Black Kings. QCSO principal cellist Hannah Holman will captivate with the rich and haunting cello soliloquies of Ernest Bloch's *Schelomo*, the final work of his Jewish Cycle. The King of Rock and Roll's signature sound is alive and well in Michael Daugherty's *Dead Elvis* featuring QCSO principal bassoonist Benjamin Coelho. We toast to friendship with Johann Strauss, Jr.'s stately *Emperor Waltz*, before ending the program with William Walton's intense and cinematic *Henry V Suite*.

ANSWERS TO 2 TRUTHS AND A LIE

The following statements are false:

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- Mozart and Beethoven grew up in the same town and studied music together.