NEC Preparatory School String Repertory Orchestra & Junior Repertory Orchestra & Youth Repertory Orchestra

Cynthia Woods Music Director, String Repertory Orchestra & Youth Repertory Orchestra

> Adam Grossman Music Director, Junior Repertory Orchestra

> Gregory Newton Sectional Coach, Youth Repertory Orchestra

Linn Kobayashi, *piano* 2023 Concerto Competition Winner - Category A

> Sunday May 12th, 2024 7:30 p.m. NEC's Jordan Hall

PROGRAM

STRING REPERTORY ORCHESTRA

Franz Joseph Haydn (1732 - 1809)

String Quartet No. 4, Op. 76 "Sunrise"

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

Brandenburg Concerto No. 3 in G Major I. Allegro

JUNIOR REPERTORY ORCHESTRA

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

Pavane

Leroy Anderson (1908-1975)

The Waltzing Cat

YOUTH REPERTORY ORCHESTRA

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)	Piano Concerto No. 13
Modest Mussorgsky (1839-1881)	Night on Bald Mountain
Dmitri Shostakovich	Festive Overture

(1906-1975)

I. Allegro con spirito

Overture to Die Heimkehr aus der Fremde

NEC Preparatory School String Repertory Orchestra

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First Violin Isabelle Singh Soren Eichler Iames Ge Meredith Fellinger Arianna Zheng Aliya Khan Diana Lee Oghenebrume Sekegor Elijah Hata Julia Jin Mia Udagawe Laura Hu **Emily Huang** Sophie Lin Julianna Tong Yihai Ouyang Max Innes Maggie Zhao Alex Yoon Sujit Sathyamurthi Erin Breva Meryl Chen Natalie Barouch Shay Patel

Second Violin Selin Yardibi Oliver Heine Elodie Auroux-Williams Ziyi Jiang Winston Heine Iulia Wu Vivial Tsai Grace Zheng Kaylan Young Meryl Liu Afokeoghene Sekegor Andrew Cui Sophie Li Elizabeth Kong Lucie Becker Daniel Wang Amelia Castilo Sophie Cukras Chris Kao Wanqiao Gong Elena To

Viola

Adam MacGilchrist Audrey Lee Nicolas Espinosa Yeh-Chun Lin * Cynthia Mathiesen + Cello Michael Liu Xavier Trevor Thomas Danahy Aaron Soto Iris Low Ky Van Philbert Fu Anna Oh Gordon Redwine Asher Kain Levy Bergen-Bartel Anoushka Fernandes Sophie Kim Sirine Ansari

+NEC Staff Member * NEC College Musician

NEC Junior Repertory Orchestra

Adam Grossman, Music Director

First Violin Chihua Lin Philip Yim Jillian Lee Evelyn Lee Guillaume Bell Emma Hou Adrija Maitra Noah Nishino Chloe Hu Alisa Miyamoto Aaliyah duFrend Elisha Choi Finn Larson Connor Lin Arav Thyagarajan Gabriel Vignon-Villani Sophia Liu Brian Li Yulhee Kwon Ella Mathis Yina Wang Weian Xue Chloe Wang Ethan Jiang Yifeng Hu Ariana Shang Second Violin Julie Jung Natalie Ogata Minato Yoneyama Zichen Zhang Justin Chen Jonathan Shen Danielle Bergen Patrick Liberles Giselle Vari Lily Wan Amalia Chavez-Shirman Sokki Laurent Taylor Shen Jueun Lee Thomas Parr Zyama Teytelman Asra Nourollahi Amelia Sakai Tomas Kruecker-Green Simeon Yen

Rachel Dickie

Viola Doyun Shin Rhea Shah Grace Yu Cello Nikolas Reuu

Nikolas Reuning Sarah Yang Simrit Kukreja Haven Carter Marcus Ochoa Makiah Shira Ian Chung Ellaine Ban Ionathan Pat Marco Neer Iulia Oh Grace Li Anya Olmsted Sebastian Kim Sarah-Alysse Williams Hamilton Tillen Hailey Kim

Double Bass Madalena Kozol *Flute* Moon Chen Gianna D'Amato Noelle Rhee

Oboe Ajay Athreya Matthew Chandra

Clarinet Maxwell Sun Isabella Zhang

Bassoon Garrett Comrie * Carson Meritt *

French Horn Hyunsang (Sean) Cho Rebekah Fabulich Jane Geyer

Timpani Isabella Butler *

Percussion Jisoo Kim*

* NEC College Musician

NEC Youth Repertory Orchestra Cynthia Woods, Music Director

Viola

First Violin Emily Chen Emmy Yang Isabella Kim Carter Chen Josephine Arnold-Mages Cassia Kopfer Alkmene Armoundas Ioshua Bruno Nathan Chun Hannah Chen Sophia Guo Adrian Solomon Amy Chen Jasmine Gu Audrey Tsai Viviette Hong Martha Raine Caitlin Wang Ayaan Iyer Elisabeth Halberstadt Second Violin Chloe Dimmick Gavin Armstrong Kristin Kim Yejin Choe Kvra Lee Aaron duFrend Daniel Liu Jovana Zivanovic Maya Ramanathan Susanna Barouch Daniel Xu Sophia Wang Vera Lin

Sophia Wang Vera Lin Grace Nam Victoria Zhang Alvaro Cuervo Misha Klein Swormink Jessica Tao Evan (Yifan) Ding Ella Li Angelina Tang Hanna Lee Avi Miller Costa Gav-Afendulis Aritro Chatterjee Cello Stefan Ladendorf Gabriel Jojatu Clara Lee-Min Cole Katz Madeline Lytton Chance Handel Sunho Lee Ethan Wright Andrew Xia Andrew Ouinn Matthew Kim Ruhan Iver Nathan Zhang Olivia Zlabys Yiyang Yu Ruben Luke Lee Sebastian Cho Sophia Naumov John Avery Deedee Ansari

Double Bass Sam Wright Julien Roberson V Woolf

* College Musician +NEC Staff Member Flute Soohyuk Lee Giulia Vitolo Jessica Wu Rose Callanan Michelle Sun Angela Jin

Oboe Alicia Wen Morgan Hsu

Clarinet Leila Mostaghimi Aaron Velinzon Albert Zhou

Bassoon Abigail Heyrich * Adam Chen *

- Horn Qianbin Zhu * Elijah Barclift * Xiaoran Xu *
- Trumpet Daniel Geho Nemanja Zivanovic Matthew Dao * James Martin *

Trombone Timothy Lai Rebecca Bertekap * Jason Sato *

Timpani Felix Ko *

Percussion Doyeon Kim* Halle Song*

Harp Chloe Cheung

Cynthia Woods

Music Director, String Repertory Orchestra & Youth Repertory Orchestra

Recently featured in the Boston Globe (Karen Campbell, "A streamed and streamlined Sleeping Beauty") and hailed as a conductor with "gusto and exuberance" (Jim McDonald, the Boston Musical Intelligencer) while being recognized for her "intelligent and out of the ordinary programming" (Vance Koven, Boston Musical Intelligencer), Ms. Woods has become a recognized and respected conductor in the Boston community and beyond. The Music Director for the Cambridge Symphony Orchestra, Ms. Woods is also a frequent guest conductor, having performed across the United States, Europe, and South America. Recent engagements include working with the Pioneer Valley Symphony, Maine's Portland Symphony Orchestra, Opera Southwest on their world premiere of the National Endowment for the Arts Commission, Bless Me, Ultima, by Héctor Armienta, and the University of Massachusetts-Lowell choral department for Verdi's Requiem.

Ms. Woods began her conducting career with a literal bang, making her debut with Stravinsky's iconic masterwork The Rite of Spring and the massive 118-piece Worcester Consortium Orchestra. Since then she has gone on to a successful career, winning acclaim in all idioms, including opera, choral, chamber, ballet, and symphonic orchestra. She has collaborated with some of today's great artists, including Joan Tower, Lisa Bielawa, Alexander Korsantia, and Gianni Di Marco, as well as serving as the Music Director for Oscar-winning director Morgan Neville's (20 Feet from Stardom) documentary on Amar Bose. Ms. Woods conducted the world premiere of Conrad Pope's The Little Match Girl in 2017. She commissioned and performed a new ballet set to Mendelssohn's A Midsummer Night's Dream in 2018 and has most recently conducted the world premiere performance of Grammy-winning and six-time Emmy-nominee Nan Schwartz's latest work, Angels Among Us, for solo trumpet and orchestra, the performance of which was also broadcast on WHRB radio as a part of their Boston Live series.

Along with her conducting activities, Ms. Woods is also a frequent speaker and writer. She has been a guest lecturer at institutions such as MIT and the Longy School of Music of Bard College, a panelist for radio shows such as WGBH's Callie Crossley, and is a frequent contributor to The Boston Herald's State of the Arts blog. She has also been featured in Boston Magazine, the Huffington Post, Boston.com, the Cambridge Chronicle, The Boston Musical Intelligencer, and Comcast Newsmakers. She was awarded a scholarship to study violin with the Grammy award-winning Takacs String Quartet at the University of Colorado-Boulder, received the Dean's Talent Award while doing her graduate studies at the Hartt School of Music, and won a full fellowship to study composition at the prestigious Atlantic Center for the Arts. In addition to her current roles as Music Director and guest conductor, Ms. Woods is also a member of the conducting and violin faculty for the New England Conservatory.

Adam Grossman

Music Director, Junior Repertory Orchestra

Adam Grossman has been conducting at the New England Conservatory Preparatory School since 1988. He is the Music Director of The Master Singers of Lexington and teaches in the Newton public schools. He is the former Music Director of the Cambridge Symphony Orchestra and conductor of The Boston Cecilia Chamber Singers, and has taught at the All Newton Music School, and in the Brookline and Somerville public schools. His guest conducting appearances include performances with The Boston Cecilia, Dinosaur Annex New Music Ensemble, The Lexington Sinfonietta, Symphony by the Sea, Longy Summer Orchestra, Newton Community Chorus and Youth and Pops concerts with the Newton, Wellesley, and New Philharmonia Orchestras. His work with the Chorus Pro Musica includes collaborations with the Boston Philharmonic as offstage conductor for Holst's Planets and preparing the chorus for the Verdi Requiem. In 2011, he conducted the Institute Chorus at the Warebrook (Vermont) Festival for Contemporary Music, where he had conducted works of Stravinsky, Schifrin and Allen Anderson in three previous seasons. He spent a semester as Artist in Residence and Conductor of the Brandeis University Chorus, conducted the first performance of Abigail Al-Doory's Tonya & Nancy: The Opera, and led the Central Massachusetts Junior District Festival Orchestra.

Mr. Grossman has conducted more than fifty premieres, including works by Allen Anderson, William Bolcom, Marti Epstein, Peter Lieberson, Rodney Lister, Pamela Marshall, John McDonald, Joyce Mekeel, Marjorie Merryman, William Pfaff, Michael Weinstein and Lawrence Wolfe, as well as works of graduate composers at Brandeis University, and local premieres by Peter Maxwell Davies, Michael Finnissey and Richard Felciano.

Adam Grossman is also a composer. His works have been performed by the Brockton, Cambridge, Lancaster (Pennsylvania), Newton, Waltham and Wellesley Symphony Orchestras, the Kindred Spirits Orchestra (Ontario), New England Conservatory Youth Repertory Orchestra, New Philharmonia Orchestra, Symphony Pro Musica, North Shore Philharmonic, Northeastern University Concert Band, Tufts University Chorale, the Zamir Chorale of Metropolitan Detroit, the Vocal Arts Ensemble of Ann Arbor, Michigan, The Master Singers of Lexington, and at the Massachusetts Music Teachers Association conference, Crosscurrents concerts, the New School of Music, the All Newton Music School, the Newton Free Library, Franklin and Marshall College, New England Conservatory and Brandeis University.

Linn Kobayashi

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11-year-old pianist, Linn Kobayashi was born and raised in Japan. She started playing the piano when she was 4 and half years old. In the early summer of 2022, her family moved to Newton, MA, and since September 2022, Linn has been enrolled in New England Conservatory Preparatory School and has been studying with Mana Tokuno. She also takes part in Junior Piano Seminar class and Chamber Music program at NEC Prep, and enjoys spending time on NEC campus every Saturday.

Linn has won top prizes from prestigious competitions such as Steinway Society of Massachusetts Piano Competition, Chopin International Piano Competition in Hartford, Connecticut, Beten International Music Competition in Japan, and the New England Conservatory Preparatory School Concerto Competition.

Linn is currently a fifth grader at Mason-Rice Elementary School in Newton, MA. She has been blessed with many musical opportunities at school as well. She is active in playing chamber music with friends and accompanying school chorus. Last year, she also learned how to play the violin.

In her space time, she likes to listen to various genres of music, to sing, and to read, and finds pleasure in expanding her horizon. Linn looks forward to participating this summer in Cremona International Music Academy and Festival this summer in Cremona, Italy.

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Upcoming NEC Preparatory School Large Ensemble Events

Monday, May 13th 2024

Massachusetts Youth Wind Ensemble Concert Band & Senior Massachusetts Youth Wind Ensemble 7:30 PM in Jordan Hall

<u>Wednesday, May 15th 2024</u> Youth Jazz Orchestra 7:30 PM in Brown Hall

Thursday, May 16th 2024

Youth Philharmonic Orchestra 7:30 PM in Jordan Hall

Monday, May 20th

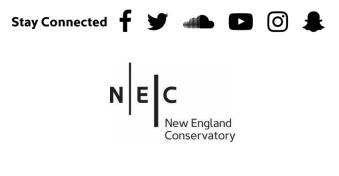
Youth Brass Ensemble & Junior Massachusetts Youth Wind Ensemble 7:30 PM in Jordan Hall

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