# NEC Preparatory School Youth Symphony

Steven Karidoyanes, *Music Director* Adam Grossman, *Conducting* 

> Thursday May 9th 7:30 p.m. NEC's Jordan Hall

#### **PROGRAM**

## Youth Symphony Adam Grossman, conducting

William Grant Still

(1895-1978)

Threnody in Memory of Jean Sibelius

Sergei Rachmaninoff

(1873-1943)

Piano Concerto No. 2

I. Moderato

II. Adagio sostenuto

III. Allegro scherzando

William Ge, piano

----Intermission ----

Antonín Dvořák (1841–1904) Symphony No. 8 in G Major, Op. 88

I. Allegro con brio

II. Adagio

III. Allegretto grazioso-Molto vivace

IV. Allegro ma non troppo

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First Violin Viola Flute Harold Seongheon Kim + Aricka Boosa Isabel Metz + Nolan An\* Jihve Yun\* Eugene Lee Rebecca Gansner Lily Liu Mobius Xiong Mia Gao Rachel Lei Victoria Rosenthal Jean Caleb Belizaire Oboe Calder Balfour Vasili Karanos Gavin Datta Nileva Liu Devlyn Ruth Aden Hwang Avelet Abramowitz Reva Schmidt Alice Li Louisa Raine Clarinet Samuel Ding Brianna Yang **Jabin Lee** Sophia Lichterfeld Caroline Liu Sangjoon Park Samuel Lee Rachel Norma Miller Luke Wang Elyse Hychong Esther Song Oscar Solberg Vivian Isabel Pan Bassoon Eunjeh Sung Emma Bosco Emily Zhou Cello Hank Hicks Matvey Borodin Colin Oft+ Theodore Fortuin Ionah Hutchin\* Horn Annabelle Senatori Ionathan Liu Lucia Oft Suubi Laurent Molly Sullivan Second Violin Diane Kang Maximilian Zhang Uthara Iyengar Qianbin Zhu ◊ Haley Bilodeau Asher Salmon Hansen Rena Ando Victor Johnson Sophia Lu Trumpet Cara Nishino Megan Yang Benjamin Choi-Schattle Kieran Eichler Iulie Yan Bryan Wheeler Kaytaki Pathak Fiona Rodriguez-Clark Tara MacNeil Elizabeth Feirouz Trombone Mari Kang Sophia Li Joseph Repaci Nathan Robinson Kyuri Lee Evan Wong Grace Barnett Olivia Wang Sienna Choi Bass Trombone Zachary Wong Double Bass Jason Sato ◊ Dylan Yang Makayla Quashie Katalena Hume Luca Vezza Tuba

> \* *Principal:* Rachmaninoff + *Principal:* Dvorak ◊ College Musician

Aaron Li

Amber Low Jacob Haokang Wu

Nina Jasanoff

Michelle Chudnovsky

*Timpani* Eli Reisz ◊

Chloe Cheung

Harp

Hayden Silvester ◊

Percussion
Felix Ko ◊
Doyeon Kim ◊

#### Adam Grossman

Conducting, Youth Symphony

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.

#### William Ge

#### 2023 Concerto Competition Winner - Category B

Pianist William Ge debuted with the Philadelphia Orchestra in October 2022 after winning the Albert M. Greenfield Concerto Competition at age eleven. More recent awards attained by William include winning the 2024 Harvard Music Association (HMA) High School Achievement Award, the Chopin Award and Second Place at the 2023 Music Teachers National Association (MTNA) National Senior Piano Competition, and the highest prize at the 2023 Jacob Flier International Piano Competition. William is a 3rd-year recipient of the Chopin Foundation's Chopin Scholarship, a 2023 National YoungArts Competition winner in Classical Music, and an NPR From The Top Fellow of 2023-2024.

In June 2023, William made concerto debuts with the Boston Pops Orchestra and the Bravura Philharmonic Orchestra, performing Rachmaninoff's Rhapsody on the Theme of Paganini. In August, he was invited as the first young artist to perform at the Kingston Chamber Music Festival. In December, he performed two solo recitals for the 2023-2024 "Chopin for All" concert series in Florida, invited by the Chopin Foundation of the United States. His concerto appearances also include concerts with the Lansdowne Symphony Orchestra and the Warminster Symphony Orchestra in Pennsylvania, and the Lowell Philharmonic in Massachusetts.

A 2025 Caroline D. Bradley Scholar and student at Phillips Academy Andover and the New England Conservatory Preparatory School, William loves physics and writing and is heavily involved with school activities. At Andover, William is a News Editor of The Phillipian, Andover's weekly publication, runs distance on the track team, and is a prefect in his dorm of 9th and 10th graders. He currently studies piano with Jonathan Bass, having studied with John Perry, Ya-Fei Chuang, Natalie Zhu, and the late Joy Kiszely.

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## **Upcoming NEC Preparatory School Large Ensemble Events**

## Sunday, May 12th 2024

Baroque Ensembles Concert 11:00 AM in Brown Hall

#### Sunday, May 12th 2024

Youth Repertory Orchestra & Junior Repertory Orchestra & String Repertory Orchestra 7:30 PM in Jordan Hall

#### Thursday, May 16th 2024

Youth Philharmonic Orchestra 7:30 PM in Jordan Hall

#### Monday, May 20th 2024

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

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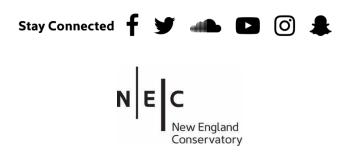
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Latecomers will be seated at the discretion of management.



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