

# **Chamber Orchestra**

James DeMars, Guest Conductor Michael Hoerber, Conductor Eric Hoover, Flute Soloist

"Premieres: New and Newly Discovered"

Tuesday, February 8, 2000 7:30 p.m.

Music Theatre



## **PROGRAM**

Overture to "The Italian Girl in Algiers"......Gioachino Rossini (1792-1868)

Michael Hoerber, conductor

Big Two Hearted River for Alto Flute and Orchestra.....James DeMars (b. 1952)

Part I: "up into the woods..."

Allegretto cantabile

Allegro agitato

Part II: "...at the river"

Largo dolore

Allegro scorrevole

Eric Hoover, alto flute James DeMars, conductor

## **INTERMISSION**

Symphony No. 2 in D major, Op. 10.....Friedrich Fesca (1789-1826)

Poco adagio; allegro molto assai Andante con moto Scherzo - Presto Finale - Allegro molto assai

> Michael Hoerber, conductor ASU Master's Thesis - Eric Anderson Olear, editor

## **JAMES DEMARS**

James DeMars is a prolific composer with many major works to his credit, several of which explore Native American, Arabic, and African resources. Among these are *The Prophet* (a cantata based on the writings of Sufi teacher Jalaladin Rumi), *Tito's Say* (an Hispanic cantata with text by Alberto Rios), *Two World Concerto* (for Cedar Flute and Orchestra)and the *Sabar Concerto* for African drum ensemble and orchestra. His *American Requiem* for chorus, orchestra and vocal soloists recently received its national premiere at the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C., with subsquent performances at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, conducted by the composer. A 90-minute program of this performance has been broadcast on over 90 PBS affiliate stations throughout the U.S. In 1997 DeMars conducted members of the Choer Français d'Oratorio and L'orchestre de Paris in the European premiere of the *Requiem* at La Trinité in Paris. He has been inducted into the French Order of Arts and Letters. James DeMars has been teaching at Arizona State University since 1981.

## MICHAEL DAVID HOERBER

**Michael David Hoerber** is a summa cum laude graduate from Arizona State University, where he received his Bachelor's degree in Instrumental Music Education. Upon graduation, he was honored with the Most Outstanding Undergraduate in Music Education Award given by the Director of ASU's School of Music, Dr. Toni-Marie Montgomery.

Since age 16, Mr. Hoerber has been conducting, composing and arranging music for band, choir and orchestra. He has written music for Arizona State University's Sun Devil Marching Band and the Symphonic Band Brass and Percussion Sections. He has also written and arranged music for the Paradise Valley High School Marching Band, the Auburn University War Eagle Marching Band, and the Ft. Lewis College Marching Band.

Mr. Hoerber is originally from Phoenix but grew up in the West Palm Beach area of Florida's east coast. While in Florida, he studied clarinet with Mr. Jerome Levine of the prestigious Juilliard School of Music. During his undergrad at ASU, he studied five years with Dr. Robert Spring, Professor of Clarinet.

Mr. Hoerber is continuing his studies at Arizona State University as a graduate teaching assistant for Dr. Timothy Russell, Director of Orchestras. He is working towards a Master's degree in Music Education with a concentration in orchestral conducting.

## ASU ORCHESTRA PROGRAM

The Arizona State University Orchestra Program is dedicated to providing the finest musical and educational opportunities for those qualified individuals interested in studying and performing a wide variety of orchestral music. The faculty and administration are committed to the training and development of professional orchestral performers (instrumentalists and conductors), orchestral music educators and therapists, musicologists, theorists, composers, arts administrators, and future arts supporters. The students share in this commitment, aspiring to the highest possible standards of musical excellence.

Currently the program includes three ensembles: the University Symphony Orchestra, the Chamber Orchestra, and the Sinfonietta. The University Symphony Orchestra presents many concerts on campus each year in the internationally acclaimed Gammage Center for the Performing Arts, which was designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. Soloists with the orchestra include renowned faculty performers as well as such visiting guest artists as violinists Glenn Dicterow, Szymon Goldberg, Dylana Jenson, Ani Kavafian, and Edvard Melkus; cellists Colin Carr, Stephen Kates, and Lazlo Varga; pianists Ursula Oppens and Jeffrey Siegel; guitarist Manuel Lopez-Ramos; soprano Faye Robinson, the Roger Wagner Chorale; guest conductors Lukas Foss and Vincent Persichetti; and the hilarious PDQ Bach and Victor Borge. Annually the orchestra combines with the University Choral Union to present a "Holiday Concert" to sold-out houses - featuring such works as Handel's Messiah, the Vaughan Williams Hodie, Bernstein's Chichester Psalms, and other great choral works. Outstanding student soloists, chosen through a rigorous competition on campus are presented in a "Concert of Soloists" each February. This concert also features the world premiere performance of the work which has won the annual ASU Student Composition Contest. The Orchestra has a commitment to the performance of contemporary music and has recently premiered pieces by Michael Conway Baker, Randall Shinn and Chinary Ung, performed a concert with visiting composer Joan Tower, and produced a CD recording of works by Eugene Anderson called Perception which is available on d'Note Classics.

Please visit our website at http://www.asu.edu.cfa/music/ for further information on the Arizona State University School of Music and its Orchestra Program.

## **CHAMBER ORCHESTRA PERSONNEL**

Violin I	Bass	Trumpet
Ruth Ann Platt**	Ryan Kuck*	Scott Miller*
Min-Kyung Park	Kevin Kirkpatrick	James Schmidt
Astasia Al-Shamaileh	Patrick Hershey	
Lawrence Huang		<b>Trombone</b>
Yoon Jung Kim	<u>Flute</u>	Erik Bestmann
Eugenie Wu	Sarah Andrew ^	
	Lisa Dektor ^	<u>Harp</u>
Violin II		Gayla Smith
Drew Irvin*	<u>Oboe</u>	
Rachel Sompong	Michele Murray	<u>Timpani</u>
Shee Ling	Ryan Zwahlen	Jason Covert
Stephanie Groot		
Jessica Solano	English Horn	Percussion
Maria Roggenhofer	Ryan Zwahlen	Robert Oeser
<u>Viola</u>	Clarinet	Orchestra Assistants
Jeffrey Norman*	Benjamin Baron*	Joel Brown
Jennifer Walker	Anne Watson	Michael Hoerber
Katherine O'Brien		
Emily Pullen	Bass Clarinet	Orchestra Librarian
Karen Hayes	Anne Watson	Ivan Insua
Michelle Peterson		
David Rigby	<u>Bassoon</u>	<b>Orchestra Managers</b>
	Dmitrius Whelan-Gonzales	Andrey Astaiza
<u>Cello</u>	Timothy Wiggins*	Christopher Niileksela
Ellie Wee*		
Andrew Hamby	<u>Horn</u>	
Merrick Jones	Alan Benson	** Concertmaster
Ozgur Elgun	Jennifer Kangas*	* Principal

Kerry Campbell

Bonnie Andrus Richard Li Co-principal

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## **University Symphony Orchestra**

"The Concert of Soloists" Henry Charles Smith, guest conductor Joel Brown and Michael Hoerber, conductors 1999 Concerto and Composition Contest winners Wednesday, February 23, 2000

7:30 p.m.

Gammage Auditorium

#### **ASU Sinfonietta**

Frank Spinosa, conductor Tuesday, February 29, 2000 7:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium

#### **ASU Chamber Orchestra**

"A Tribute to Copland" Mischa Semanitzsky, guest conductor Robert Spring, clarinet soloist Sunday, March 5, 2000 2 p.m. Fleischer Museum in Scottsdale

## **University Symphony Orchestra**

"A Jazz Week Celebration" Samuel Pilafian, guest conductor Joel Brown, conductor Wednesday, March 8, 2000 7:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium

#### **ASU Sinfonietta**

Joel Brown, conductor Thursday, March 30, 2000 7:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium

## **University Symphony Orchestra**

"A Mariachi Festival" with Jose Hernandez and Sol de Mexico Friday, March 31, 2000 7:30 p.m.

Gammage Auditorium

#### **ASU Chamber Orchestra**

"Soaring High: An Avian Tribute" Joel Brown and Michael Hoerber, conductors Sunday, April 9, 2000 Location and time TBA

## **University Symphony Orchestra**

"Fantasy"

Featuring the ASU Choral Union George Umberson, guest conductor Michael Hoerber, conductor Caio Pagano, piano soloist Tuesday, April 18, 2000 7:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium

#### **ASU Sinfonietta**

"The History of the Symphony" Michael Hoerber, conductor Thursday, April 27, 2000 7:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium

#### **ASU Chamber Orchestra**

"Classic Favorites" Joel Brown, conductor Martin Schuring, English horn Gary Leopold, trumpet Tuesday, May 2, 2000 ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY 7:30 p.m.

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