

Spring Romance
Featuring

Beethoven Romance in F Major

Monti Gzardas

Doorak Symphony #8

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Auditions for the 2013-14 season begin late July.

Biographies

Kevin Kozacek, Music Director



Originally a native of Colorado, Kevin Kozacek graduated in 1977 from the University of Northern Colorado where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Music Education, with an emphasis in choral conducting under the tutelage of Dr. Howard Skinner. In 1990, Mr. Kozacek received his Master of Education degree from Northern Arizona University. Mr. Kozacek has taught public school music in grades K-12, and has directed theater, instrumental ensembles and choral groups in churches and communities in England, Nebraska, Colorado, Texas and Arizona. He studied orchestral conducting under Maestros Lawrence Golan, Don Thulean, Brooke Creswell, Apo Hsu, Harold Farberman and Raymond Harvey, and has

guest conducted orchestras in Kiev, Ukraine and Krasnoyarsk, Russia. He recently served for 10 years as the founding Artistic Director for ProMusica Arizona Chorale & Orchestra, and is pleased to have been invited to serve as the founding Music Director for NVSO. He currently flies part-time as a commercial pilot for Southwest Airlines while pursuing his Master of Music degree in Orchestral Conducting at Northern Arizona University.

A Letter from The Director...

Dear NVSO Audience,

What an incredible first season! I'm so blessed to have the support of not only the musicians on stage, but also of each one of you sitting in our audience. We have made incredible strides in accomplishing our mission this year....to build community through music. I look forward to our next season, and continued support from concert sponsors and local businesses, the growing number of members in our NVSO organization, and most importantly you, the families, friends and neighbors of North Valley Symphony Orchestra.

I hope you enjoy tonight's concert!

Kevín Kozacek

Biographies

Diane Sullivan, Solo Artist

Diane Sullivan joined the violin section of the Phoenix Symphony while completing her bachelor of music degree at Arizona State University. She has studied violin with renowned artists Sydney Harth, Eugene Lombardi, Esther Glazer, Raphael Bronstein, Eudice Shapiro, Joseph Silverstein and Peter Winograd. Diane appeared in performance as a Fellowship Member of the Boston Symphony at Tanglewood for the American premiere of Gunther Schuller's "DEAI", under the direction of Seiji Ozawa. She was also delighted to have the oppor-



tunity to meet and to perform under the direction of Leonard Bernstein at Tanglewood. Diane performed for violinist Itzhak Perlman at a Phoenix reception held in his honor. She also appeared as soloist with the Flagstaff Symphony, performing Beethoven's "Romance in F" to the delight of several audiences.

During the summer months Diane has played in the Flagstaff Festival of the Arts Orchestra under the direction of Islor Solomon, Dennis de Coteau and Irwin Hoffman, and serves as concertmaster of the Arizona Repertory Orchestra. She recorded and produced a CD of classical music that includes some of her own compositions titled, "Soli Deo Gloria" (To God Alone be the Glory) with pianist Walter Cosand.

Carol Routh, Concertmaster—Mrs. Routh graduated from Illinois Wesleyan University (IWU) with a Bachelor of Music Education degree. Her teaching experience includes nine years of Suzuki Violin training at IWU, 13 years as a strings and orchestra teacher in the Washington Elementary School District here in Arizona, and many years of Suzuki and traditional violin private instruction. Mrs. Routh's orchestral experience includes playing 12 years with the Bloomington/Normal (IL) Symphony and nine years with ProMusica Arizona Orchestra. She is currently a member of the North Phoenix Baptist Church Instrumental Team. Carol and her husband, Brad, have three grown children and four beautiful grandchildren.



Biographies

Bob Chilman, Youth Orchestra Conductor —Mr. Chilman was educated in the public schools of Ontario, OR and earned his Bachelor of Arts in Music Education degree and a degree in Accounting at the College of Idaho, as well as a Master of Arts degree in Choral Music at the University of Northern Colorado. Mr. Chilman has taught at Arizona State University, Kilgore College, the College of Idaho and at high schools in three states. Mr. Chilman is a cellist with the Phoenix College Orchestra and the Sonoran String Quartet. He is the Director of Music and Worship at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Scottsdale and is an account executive with American Investors Group, Inc.

Anne Phelan, Youth Orchestra Assistant Conductor — Ms. Phelan is from Cheyenne, WY and began playing violin in the public school string program. She plays all string instruments as well as the piano. Ms. Phelan earned a Bachelor in Music Education degree at University of Northern Colorado, and a Master degree at Truman State University. Since moving to Phoenix in 1979, she teaches strings and orchestra at all levels in the Paradise Valley Unified Schools District. She continues to practice her profession by playing in many symphony orchestras and chamber groups. Ms. Phelan's mission... "is to promote the art of string playing so that it will continue as part of our culture."

Kathy Chesser, Symphonettes Assistant Conductor — Mrs. Chesser received her Bachelor of Music Education degree at the University of Northern Colorado and a Master of Education degree at Northern Arizona University. She has been a teacher in the Paradise Valley Unified School District for 29 years. Mrs. Chesser enjoys playing violin in orchestral concerts, and is an active member of NVSO. Her hobbies include swimming, bowling, attending art shows and conducting the Symphonettes. She has been married to her husband, Danny, for 30 years, and has a 17-year-old son.

Murilou Chilman, Symphonettes Conductor —Mrs. Chilman began her music career in school and college orchestras in Pocatello, ID, and received her Bachelor of Music Education degree at Idaho State University and a Master of Music degree at Arizona State University. Mrs. Chilman has taught orchestra in the public schools and played with symphony orchestras in Idaho, Arizona and Texas. Currently, Mrs. Chilman is the Orchestra Director at Shadow Mountain High School, Director of Music at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Scottsdale and is a member of the Phoenix College Orchestra, the Sonoran String Quartet and NVSO.

Welcome to North Valley Symphony Orchestra's Premier Concert Season

North Valley Symphony Orchestra (NVSO) is a nonprofit community-based orchestra made up of multigenerational musicians from the greater Phoenix north valley. NVSO aims to "build community through music," by providing a place for members to enjoy the collective art of making music, as well as offering enriching cultural experiences for Phoenix north valley audiences through pop and classical concerts.

Sit back, relax and listen...as NVSO is proud to present "Spring Romance", a collection of popular classical pieces, featuring string soloists Diane Sullivan, Gabrielle Lorenc, Lauren Harris, Albert Islas and Frank Islas.



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Fine-Tune Your Listening Skills / Dvorak No. 8

<u>Strings</u> = Violin, Viola, Cello, String Bass
<u>Brass</u> = Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Tuba
<u>Woodwinds</u> = Flute, Oboe, English Horn, Clarinet, Bassoon, Bass Clarinet
<u>Percussion</u> = All rhythm instruments. Snare Drum, Bass Drum. Timpani, Bells, and Xylophone are "pitched" to play different notes.

1st Movement

A soloist is an instrument that stands out from the rest of the music. What is the first solo instrument you hear within the first minute of the music? *Flute or Strings* (circle the answer)

When the music "speeds up" this is called a tempo change. The 1st tempo change happens within the first 2 minutes of the music. Does the music *speed up or slow down*? (circle the answer)

Sometimes there is a question and answer period in the music. The first Q and A happens within the first 3 minutes of the music.

Who asks the question? *Strings or Woodwinds* (circle the answer) Who answers? *Strings or Woodwinds* (circle the answer)

What is the second solo instrument that you hear? Clarinet or Trumpet (circle the answer)

After a very loud exchange of music between the Brass, Woodwinds and Strings, does the tempo change to *faster or slower*? (circle the answer)

Did you hear the Flute solo again? Yes or No (circle the answer)

While the Strings are playing numerous runs (a lot of notes going up and down the scale) what instruments have the solo? *Trumpets or Percussion* (circle the answer)

2nd Movement

Is the 2nd movement faster or slower than the 1st movement? (circle the answer)

Listen for the Bassoon, Cellos and String Basses to have a solo part.

3rd Movement

Some music has 3 beats in a measure of music. Watch the conductor as he conducts 3 beats for the orchestra to follow.

At the very end of the movement, the music becomes very different. Is it more *playful* or more *sad*? (circle the answer)

4th Movement

What solo instrument starts this movement? *Trumpet or Flute* (circle the answer)

The Cellos and Bassoon then play a new theme, which is changed slightly a number of times before the whole orchestra starts. How many "variations" do you hear? 2 3 4 (circle the answer)

Listen for when the tempo changes, does it go *twice as fast* or *twice as slow*? (circle the answer)

At the end of the movement, the "variations" are repeated, but this time how many do you hear? 3 4 5 (circle the answer)

North Valley Symphony Orchestra

Presents "Spring Romance"

Fanfare for the Common Man Copland, arr. Longfield Duo for Two Solo Strings Michel, arr. Fountain

> Frank Islas, violin Albert Islas, viola

Corigliano Reverie **Pancarowicz** Concerto in G

> Gabrielle Lorenc, violin Lauren Harris, viola

The Lord of the Dance Hardiman, arr. Custer

NVSO Youth Orchestra and NVSO Symphonettes Bob Chilman and Anne Phelan — Conductors Murilou Chilman and Kathy Chesser — Conductors

Brief Intermission (to re-set stage)

Romance in F Op. 50 Ludwig van Beethoven

Soloist: Diane Sullivan

Czardas Vittorio Monti

Soloist: Diane Sullivan

20 Minute Intermission

Symphony No. 8 Op. 88 Antonin Dvorak

I. Allegro con brioII. Adagio

III. Allegretto grazioso

IV. Allegro ma non troppo

NVSO Orchestra **Kevin Kozacek - Conductor**

Please silence all electronic devices for our concert...Thank you

NVSO Adult Orchestra Personnel

First Violin

Carol Routh**
Kathy Chesser
Susan Haack
Frank Islas
Chad Kurtzman
Anthony McNeil
Anne Phelan
Joanne Schartow
Sujoy Spencer

Second Violin

Murilou Chilman*
Dennis Dorch
Janene Ferraris
Alberto Islas
Ann Kosiba
Gabrielle Lorenc
Pearl Mahar
Lisa Tufts
Lauren Vogini
Jieun Yang

Viola

Gail Salameh* Lauren Harris Janet Plummer Parikhit (Ricky) Sinha Carolyn Snyder

Cello

Amanda Sinha* Shannon Bost Carrington Buze JoAnn Cleland Jana Fry Sarah Hameline Marcie Kolacki Alyssa Mahar Janet Millard Dennis Yee

Bass

Mary Kelly* Mark Niemeyer Howard Robinson

Harp

Sara Anderson

Flute

Cheryl Riggle* Brenda Bosley Nancy Lehman

Oboe

Suzanne Johnsen* Zachary Fitzgerald Liz Carnes-Wight

Clarinet

Corinne Assad Grant* Sean Assad Dan Greene Ryan Kain

Bass Clarinet

Kira Assad

Bassoon

Alisa Mastin* Andrew Dopilka

Trumpet

Dennis Umber* Glenn Graca Lori Hefner Kerry Williams

Trombone

Brad Isdal* Greg James Dennis Patterson Thomas Ramson

Tuba

Mike Burt* Brian Pollock

Horn

Philip Johnson* Heather Beaman John Schartow Steve Thomasson Sally Wise

Percussion

Hal Gill* Matt Deller Jeanna Hodges Cindy Kozacek



^{*}Concertmaster *Principal

NVSO Symphonettes

Violin 2

Jack Kapps Haley McKeown Harrison Newton Madison Rose Tristan Rush

Sage Witt

Violin 3

Olivia Notte

Zachary Wiegand

Viola

Megan Tomson Rasa Walter

Cello

Danielle Ceccardi Eleanore Faussane Nate Hayward Christina Spencer

Bass

Augusta Willet

NVSO Youth Orchestra

Violin 1

Gabrielle Lorenc * Carina Brodsky Sydney Cooney Katie Everitt Rachel Everitt Elizabeth Faussane Miranda Reddy

Violin 2 Frank Islas * Andreja Donaldson Viola

Lauren Harris * Alberto Islas * Catherine Spencer Corina Tapscott

Cello

Lisa Zhang * Stephen Boslev Amanda Guzman Jonathon Novoa Brvan Sullivan

Bass

Colin Therio * Kaine Holloway Erin Wilson

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Thank you for being in our audience this evening!

Program Notes

Romance for Violin and Orchestra No. 2 – Ludwig van Beethoven

The Romance for Violin and Orchestra No. 2 in F major, Op. 50 is one of two such compositions by Beethoven, the other being Romance No. 1 in G major, Op. 40. Written in 1798, actually four years before the first romance, it was published in 1805, two years later than the first. Hence, this piece was designated as Beethoven's second romance. The sweet, innocent melodies and lyrical phrasing of the violin belie the altogether more tumultuous events of the composer's life at the time: suffering from gradual deafness. His ability to create delicate, tender music throughout this period is altogether astonishing, and suggests his desire to find some brief respite and solace through the escapism of writing music. It is one of Beethoven's most popular works.

Czardas - Vittorio Monti

Csárdás (or Czardas) is pehaps Italian composer Vittorio Monti's most famous composition. A rhapsodical concert piece written in 1904, it was originally composed for violin, mandolin or piano and is based on a Hungarian csárdás, an 18th century folk dance used in recruiting by the Hungarian army. In this style of dance, with music in $^{2}/_{4}$ or $^{4}/_{4}$ time, males and females dance together and the women dress in traditional wide skirts, usually colored red, which form a distinctive shape when they whirl. The csárdás is characterized by a variation in tempo: it starts out slowly ($lass\acute{u}$) and ends in a very fast tempo (friss, literally "fresh"). Monti's work is divided into seven different sections, each of a different tempo and occasionally key, which, along with dynamic changes from pianissimo to fortissimo, make the piece exciting and interesting. A surprising fact is that it has been used in works by modern musicians, such as by Lady Gaga as part of her background music in the song Alejandro from her album The Fame Monster.

Program Notes (cont.)

Symphony No. 8 – Antonín Dvořák

The Symphony No. 8 in G major, Op. 88, B. 163, was composed by Dvořák from August to November 1889 in Bohemia, presently in the Czech Republic. Dvořák dedicated the score to the Bohemian Academy of Emperor Franz Joseph for the Encouragement of Arts and Literature, and he conducted the premiere in Prague on February 2, 1890. It is a lighthearted yet grand symphony that Dvořák imbued with an unmistakably Bohemian folk flavor and joviality. This was unusual during the Romantic period, which was characterized by dramatic or tragic themes. The work is in four movements that vary widely in character; from triumphant and powerful, to melancholy yet lyrical, to naïve and playful (thanks to the addition of traditional children's melodies) altogether creating a hopeful work evocative of the joys and bittersweet moments of life.



Do you know when to applaud?



A common concern of listeners at classical concerts, and one of the obstacles to enjoying the music, is the dreaded "Fear of Applauding in the Wrong Place."

In other kinds of concerts, pop or rock concerts, the audience cheers, yells and whistles during the performance, and applauds whenever there's an ending—if the music stops, people applaud.

But in classical music, one piece may have several parts (movements) each with its own ending. We are supposed to wait to the very end of the very last ending before we applaud. And, it's never appropriate to cheer, whistle or yell the name of your favorite performer while the piece is being played.

Sometimes we can't tell if the piece is over. Sometimes we're so enthusiastic after a section ends that we really want to applaud for the musicians. It seems cruel to squelch that urge, but please wait for the very end of the whole piece.

In this evening's concert, Dvorak's Symphony No. 8 has four movements (notice the Roman numerals in the program)...see if you can wait 'til the very end to applaud.

Finally, at the end of <u>every</u> piece, watch for the Maestro's arms to come fully down, then applaud. Sometimes it's nice to hear the final notes of the piece ring through the concert hall. Listen, and watch for the baton to come down, then offer your enthusiastic appreciation to the musicians.

When in doubt, simply wait until lots of other people are applauding.



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