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Biographies



Kevin Kozacek, Music Director
Originally from Aurora, Colorado,
Kevin Kozacek graduated 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. Mr.
Kozacek received both his Master of
Education and Master of Music degrees from Northern Arizona University, studying orchestral conducting

under Dr. Nicholas Ross and Dr. Daniel O'Bryant. He has additionally studied conducting under Maestros Lawrence Golan, Don Thulean, App Hsu, Harold Farberman, Raymond Harvey, and Zvonimir Hacko. Mr. Kozacek has guest-conducted orchestras in Kiev, Ukraine, and Krasnoyarsk, Russia, and has been invited to conduct workshops and honor orchestras at NAU and local Arizona school districts.

Mr. Kozacek taught public school music in grades K-12, and directed theater, instrumental ensembles, and choral groups in churches and communities in England, Nebraska, Colorado, Texas, and Arizona. He is the founding Music Director for North Valley Symphony Orchestra, and was recently appointed as Music Director for Verde Valley Sinfonietta in Sedona, AZ. Mr. Kozacek and his wife, Cindy, are proud parents of two sons, Matt and Chris, and have two grandchildren, Audrey and Owen.



Craig Triplett, Concertmaster
Craig began playing the violin at
the age of 9 in St. Louis, Missouri.
At 17, he won the CASA Concerto Competition and performed the
Bruch Violin Concerto with the CASA
Symphonic Orchestra. Mr. Triplett
studied violin and viola at Southern
Illinois University for two years, during which he was accepted to the

Fischoff Natioal Chamber Music Competition where he and his ensemble performed the Shostakovich String Quartet No. 8 in the semi-finals. Mr. Triplett transferred to Northern Arizona University on scholarship, where he met his stand partner in life, Jessica. While at NAU, Mr. Triplett won the concerto competition and performed the Stamitz Viola Concerto with the NAU Symphony Orchestra.

Biographies (cont.)

Mr. Triplett also performed in the Flagstaff Symphony Orchestra as Assistant Principal Violist for several years. He received his Bachelor of Music Performance degree on the viola from NAU in 2002. More recently, he served as Principal Violist of the North Valley Symphony Orchestra before accepting the position of concertmaster this year. Mr. Triplett enjoys mountain biking, watching auto racing, and the enthusiastic applause he receives when he performs for his sons, Parker and Mason.

A Letter from the President



Welcome to the final North Valley Symphony Orchestra (NVSO) concert of the season! It has been an exciting year for NVSO, starting with our journey from the Baroque to the Romantic periods with the "Three B's." St. Nick visited during the "Santa Claus Symphony" in December, then we went to Prague in March with "Dvořák 7." We enjoyed showcasing some of our talented musicians by featuring Jessica and Craig Triplett as viola soloists in October, and Philip Johnson on French horn in March.

Our youth program continues to develop. This year, we hired directors for NVSO Symphonettes and NVSO Youth Orchestra. The students continue to grow in their musical ability, and just had their final concert of the year. They also studied the Three B's in the fall, and closed out the year with movie music. We are excited about the addition of a third youth orchestra, NVSO Youth Strings, in the fall. This intermediate group will bridge the gap between NVSO Symphonettes and NVSO Youth Orchestra. Auditions for Youth Strings and Youth Orchestra are under way, so spread the word to talented young musicians who would like to join NVSO.

Tonight will be a fun evening featuring music and characters from the movies. We hope you enjoy the performance, and thank you for supporting your North Valley Symphony Orchestra!

-- Liz Galpin

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Program Notes

Alan Silvestri (1950) is an American film composer most famous for his movie collaborations with Robert Zemeckis. These movies include the *Back to the Future* trilogy, *Forrest Gump*, and *The Polar Express*. Silvestri has won numerous awards, such as Academy Award nominations for Best Original Score and Best Original Song, Golden Globe nominations for Best Score and Best Song, two Grammy awards, two Emmys, and is a three-time winner of the Saturn Award for Best Music.

Randy Newman (1943) is a staple in pop and film music. He has cracked Billboard Top 200 as both a songwriter and recording artist. However, his recent success has been with movie scores. Newman has scored many Disney/Pixar films, such as *Toy Story, A Bug's Life, Monsters, Inc., Cars,* and *Princess and the Frog.* Newman has been nominated for twenty Academy Awards (won twice), won six Grammy Awards, won three Emmy Awards, was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and the Songwriters Hall of Fame, and has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

John Williams (1932) is one of the most recognizable film composers in movie history. The list of movies that he has scored include *Jaws, Jurassic Park,* the *Star Wars* series, *E.T.,* the *Indiana Jones series,* the first three *Harry Potter* movies, *Schindler's List,* and *Home Alone.* Williams has been nominated for an Academy Award fifty times; only Walt Disney has received more nominations. In total, Williams has won five Academy Awards, three Emmys, four Golden Globes, and twenty-three Grammy awards. In addition to being a prolific composer, John Williams is a successful conductor and concert composer. His score for *Star Wars: A New Hope* was selected by the American Film Institute as the "greatest American film score of all time."

John Barry (1933) is an English composer who is most famous for his scores for eleven of the twenty-four *James Bond* films. Even though Monty Norman wrote the original "James Bond Theme," Barry is given credit for creating the general sound of the *James Bond* movies, especially in the movie *Goldfinger*. Other notable Bond songs that have been nominated for Academy Awards include Paul McCartney's "Live and Let Die," Marvin Hamlisch's "Nobody Does It Better," and Adele's "Skyfall." Additional movies that Barry scored include *Out of Africa* and *Dances with Wolves*. Barry has received five Academy Awards, one Golden Globe, and is a member of the Songwriters Hall of Fame.

Harold Arlen (1905-1986) is most famous for his scoring of *The Wizard of Oz* with lyrics by E.Y. Harburg. Both the Recording Industry Association of America and the National Endowment for the Arts list the song

Program Notes (cont.)

"Over the Rainbow" as the number one song of all time. Arlen successfully wrote for both the movies and Broadway, and worked with fellow musicians and lyricists, such as Ira Gershwin and Johnny Mercer.

Kristen Anderson-Lopez (1972) is most famous for her original songs for the movie Frozen. The song "Let it Go" won Anderson-Lopez one Academy Award and two Grammys. Anderson-Lopez also wrote the songs for Winnie the Pooh (2011). In addition to writing for Disney movies, Anderson-Lopez has worked on the staged musical adaptations of Finding Nemo and Frozen.

Danny Elfman (1953) is an American composer who is most famous for his relationship with Tim Burton. He has scored almost every Tim Burton movie. He also is the composer of the "Simpsons Theme" and the first of the Sam Raimi Spider-man movies. Elfman has been nominated for four Academy Awards, two Emmys, two Golden Globes, and eleven Grammys.

-- Program Notes by Caitlin Corbett

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"Back to the Movies"

Back to the Future Suite

Silvestri

The Complete Harry Potter

arr. Brubaker

(This piece is sponsored by James and Sherrie Lyons)

007 Through the Years

arr. Bulla

Dances With Wolves Concert Suite

Barry arr. Rosenhaus

Music from Frozen

Anderson-Lopez, arr. Krogstad

NVSO Adult Orchestra Kevin Kozacek, Conductor

20-Minute Intermission

Star Trek

Giacchino, arr. Robert Longfield

NVSO Youth Orchestra Josh Lynch, Conductor

Raffle Drawing

The Wizard of OZ Selections

Arlen, arr. Sayre

Forrest Gump Suite

Silvestri, arr. Custer

Music from Spider-man

Elfman, arr. Wasson

The Natural Suite

Randy Newman

Star Wars Suites I & II (Episodes I-VI)

Williams arr. Smith

NVSO Adult Orchestra Kevin Kozacek, Conductor

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NVSO Adult Orchestra Personnel

First Violin

Craig Triplett*+
Frank Islas^
Renee Estes
Tracy Petersen
Carol Routh
Marjorie Sherman
Janet Steinberg
Maggie Walker
Noel Washington

Second Violin

Beth Chiarenza*
Dakota Ehret
Isabel Gutierrez
Albert Islas
Deborah Lindley
Michelle Lowry
Josh Lynch
Pearl Mahar
Haley McKeown
Kelly Robers

Viola

Jessica Triplett* Caitlin Corbett Janet Plummer Parikhit Sinha Katie Tay

Cello

Liz Galpin*
JoAnn Cleland
Emily Helton-Riley
Michelle Hill
Julie Silverstein
Brielle Watchman

Bass

Mary Kelly* Howard Robinson Dylan Suehiro Fred Wengrzynek

Flute

Cheryl Riggle*
Joshua Barnes
Nora Welsh (piccolo)

Oboe

Ted Plambeck*
Suzanne Johnsen
Fliot Lee

English Horn

Suzanne Johnsen*

Clarinet

Mandy Gifford* Nora Johnston Annemarie Strzelecki

Bass Clarinet

Linda Nixon J

Bassoon

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Colette Neish

French Horn

Philip Johnson* Christine Clark ♪ Anita Murray Ione Murray Steve Thomasson

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Trombone

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Mike Burt*

Harp

Emma Quinn J

Keyboard

Kathy Mattern

Percussion

Hal Gill*
John Bailey
John Bergt
Matt Deller
Ryan Jarick ↓
Cindy Kozacek
Melissa Krout ↓

+Concertmaster
^Assistant
Concertmaster
*Principal

↓ Guest

(members listed alphabetically)

NVSO Youth Orchestra Personnel

First Violin

Alexandra Oprea *+
Nicole Campos
Karlo Canete
Dakota Ehret
Jonathan Green
Isabel Gutierrez
Natasha Jarick
Haley McKeown

- + Concertmaster
- * Principal

(members listed alphabetically)

Second Violin

Rebecca Felton *
Alyssa Anderson
London Childs
Lourde Childs
Juliana de Mello
Hugh Findlay
Kirsten Findlay
Jenna Friedman
Harrison Newton
Kayla Wang

Viola

Rasa Walter *
Andreja Donaldson
Gabriella Sandhu
Megan Tomson

Cello

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