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Dominic Dousa, *University of Texas at El Paso*
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Tickets: Adults, $5; Age 18 and under, $3
About Bay Youth Orchestras of Virginia

Nearly 250 student musicians from throughout Hampton Roads create four performing ensembles to present concerts throughout the Tidewater area.

Members of the Bay Youth Symphony Orchestra have demonstrated a proficiency on their instrument that will enable them to meet the demands of performing some of the world’s greatest and most challenging instrumental music. The Bay Youth Symphony Orchestra studies only original scores. Two unique concerts performed each year are the Concerto Competition and the Side-By-Side Virginia Symphony program. Concerto soloists are chosen from an audition held in December. Finalists perform with the orchestra, allowing the orchestra to develop accompanying skills which require a high level of musicianship. The Side-by-Side concert is an opportunity to rehearse and perform beside professional musicians, under the direction of the Virginia Symphony’s Associate Conductor.

The Bay Youth Concert Orchestra is composed of students generally between the eighth and eleventh grades who have demonstrated an advanced level of playing on their instrument. The group studies and performs masterworks for symphony and chamber orchestra. Musicians in this orchestra acquire advanced technical and musical skills and rehearsal discipline and develop advanced ensemble playing.

The Bay Youth String Orchestra is composed of students who have progressed to the intermediate level of performance on their instrument, having mastered the basic skills level. This group studies string arrangements of the chamber and symphonic literature, developing ensemble skills in a disciplined rehearsal atmosphere. Sight-reading and performance skills development are emphasized.

The newest member of the Bay Youth family is the Junior String Orchestra, established in the fall of 1999. Young musicians in grades three through six who are beginning note readers learn good rehearsal discipline, develop rhythmic and note reading skills, and gain an understanding of harmony in playing ensemble music.

THE BAY YOUTH ORCHESTRAS OF VIRGINIA were founded in September of 1991 by the staff of the former Tidewater Youth Orchestras. The Tidewater Youth Orchestras started in 1972 in response to an informal survey that identified Tidewater as the largest metropolitan area in the United States without such a program. The director of the Norfolk Symphony (Russell Stanger), a local businessman (Meier “Easy” Birshstein), and two public school teachers/Symphony members (Greg Barnes and Linda Althoff), worked together to form the first youth orchestra in this area. They auditioned more than 200 high school musicians at Northside Junior High School. C. Sidney Berg was chosen to be the first conductor.

Through the years, the organization has held rehearsals at Norfolk State University, Granby High School, Northside Junior High School, Booker T. Washington High School, and Lake Taylor High School, all of Norfolk, as well as at Western Branch High School in Chesapeake. In September 2000, the orchestras began rehearsing at Indian River Middle School in Chesapeake.

Many fine musicians and educators have worked with BYO in its past: Jorge Aguirre, Vince Brown, Peter Dundon, Dean Engler (Wind Symphony), Michael Hodges, Dr. William LaRue Jones, Judy Meister, and Walter Noona. In November 1997, Greg Barnes, after many years as the organization's Music Director and its Symphony Conductor, conducted his last concert with the Bay Youth Orchestras. In May 1999, the Greg Barnes Lesson Scholarship Fund was established in his honor to afford private lessons for Bay Youth Students. In June 1998, Leslie Stewart became the new Music Director and Symphony Conductor.

A Winning Season: Bay Youth Orchestras 2000-2001

OLE’! • Tuesday, November 21, 2000 7:30 p.m. • Virginia Beach Pavilion, Virginia Beach featuring the Concert and Symphony Orchestras

CELEBRATION! • Tuesday, February 6, 2001 7:30 p.m. • Nauticus Theatre, Norfolk featuring the Junior String and String Orchestras

HEROES AND HUMAN RIGHTS • Saturday, February 17, 2001 7:30 p.m. • Chrysler Hall, Norfolk featuring the Virginia Symphony Side-By-Side with the Bay Youth Symphony Orchestra • not included with season tickets

CONCERTO! • Tuesday, February 27, 2001 7:30 p.m. • Virginia Beach Pavilion, Virginia Beach featuring the Concert and Symphony Orchestras and winners of the Concerto and Composer Competitions

SEASON FINALE • Tuesday, May 8, 2001 7:30 p.m. • Oscar Smith High School, Chesapeake featuring the Junior String, String, Concert, and Symphony Orchestras • part of the Waterfront Wave Festival
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PROGRAM
Concert Orchestra
Martin Glasco, Conductor

The Montagues and the Capulets
from Romeo and Juliet Suite No. 2
Sergei Prokofiev (1891-1953)
arr. Siennicki

Serenade for Strings
Dr. Dwight Gustafson (b. 1930)

Symphony No. 9 in e minor, “From the New World”
First Movement
Antonin Dvorak (1841-1904)
arr. Issac

~ INTERMISSION ~

Symphony Orchestra
Leslie Stewart, Conductor

Violin Concerto in e minor, Op. 64
Allegro molto appassionato
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Anne Hüang, violin

From the High Tatras
Dominic Dousa (b. 1973)

Steven Loy, Conducting Intern

Piano Concerto No. 2 in c minor, Op. 18
Allegro scherzando
Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

Hagana Kim, piano
MEET THE CONDUCTORS

Leslie Stewart - Symphony Conductor and Music Director
Ms. Stewart is a graduate of the Interlochen Arts Academy and holds Bachelor’s and Master’s Degrees in Music from the University of Southern California. She has served as conductor for California’s Marin Symphony Youth Orchestra. She has also been a member of the music faculties of the Virginia Governor’s School for the Arts, Christopher Newport University, and Chowan College. Ms. Stewart has served on the Board of the Conductor’s Guild, chairing two national conferences and coordinating their New Music Project. As a professional violinist, she has performed with the Puerto Rico and Alabama Symphonies as well as the Virginia Symphony. Each summer she performs with the Cabrillo Music Festival in Santa Cruz, California. Ms. Stewart was appointed Music Director of the Bay Youth Orchestras and conductor of the Bay Youth Symphony Orchestra in June of 1998. Currently, she teaches violin and is Director of Orchestral Studies at Old Dominion University. Ms. Stewart is a popular guest conductor for All-City orchestra programs throughout Hampton Roads.

Martin Glasco - Concert Orchestra Conductor
Mr. Glasco is the conductor of the Western Branch High School Orchestra in Chesapeake. A graduate of East Carolina University, he has conducted All-City clinics in Chesapeake, Newport News, and Virginia Beach. He has also served as a clinician with James Madison University’s “Spring String Thing.” A former violinist with the Virginia Beach Symphony, he is also the past president of the Virginia Unit of the American String Teacher’s Association. He also maintains a private studio of violin and viola students.

Steven Loy - Conducting Intern
A native of Norfolk, Mr. Loy studied cello with Janet Kriner and played in the Virginia Symphony Youth Orchestra, the predecessor to Bay Youth Orchestra, conducted by the late Sidney Berg and Greg Barnes. He later received his Bachelor’s of Music in composition in Philadelphia before heading to Central Europe in 1991 to study conducting, working first in Budapest, Hungary, then in Slovénia. Recently he earned the Diplôme Supérieur in conducting at the Ecole Normale de Musique in Paris.

OUR ARTISTIC STAFF

Linda Althoff - String Specialist and Co-Conductor of String Orchestra
Mrs. Althoff received her music degree from the Eastman School of Music at the University of Rochester, New York. Recently retired after thirty-two years of school teaching, she began as supervisor of Strings for Norfolk City Schools. She then taught at Norfolk Academy and served as its Director of the School of the Arts. She is one of the founders and conductors of the original Tidewater Youth Orchestrass. She has conducted All-City Orchestras in Chesapeake, Newport News, Norfolk, and Virginia Beach, as well as several area Regional Orchestrass. Mrs. Althoff is currently a violist in the Virginia Symphony, organist/choir director of Christ Methodist Church in Norfolk, and maintains a private studio teaching violin, viola, and piano.

Christina Morton - String Orchestra and Junior String Orchestra Conductor
Mrs. Morton is a prominent Suzuki violin teacher in Hampton Roads and a violinist with the Virginia Symphony. She holds a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Northwestern University and a Master of Science in Education from Old Dominion University. Mrs. Morton has taught for Norfolk Public Schools (directing string orchestra and the harp program), conducted local All-City programs, and served at Suzuki workshops as a clinician. She presently teaches a large private violin studio, conducts the Norfolk Collegiate String Ensemble, and is the violin instructor for the Hebrew Academy of Tidewater and Home School Plus at Ingleside Baptist Church. She joined the Bay Youth organization in 1994. Her volunteer work includes leading the children’s choir at Ingleside Baptist Church, serving on the Education Committee of the Virginia Symphony, and working as editor for STAHR (Suzuki Teachers Association of Hampton Roads.)
MEET TONIGHT’S FEATURED MUSICIANS

Violinist Anne Huang, a senior at Kempsville High School, has been a member of Bay Youth for eight years. She is presently concertmaster of the Symphony Orchestra, a position she has held for two years. Anne has won numerous musical awards and honors, including first place in the 2000 James Bland Music Competition and second place in this season’s Bay YOUTH Symphony Concert Competition. Anne has served as concertmaster for the 2000 Southeastern Virginia Senior Regional Orchestra as well as her high school orchestra. She has been an All-State orchestra participant and has performed with the Governor's School for the Arts summer program and the Hampton Roads Chamber Players Summer Music Camp. She has performed for both Rachel Barton and Dimitri Berlinsky at Virginia Symphony Masterclasses and is currently studying with Jorge Aguirre.

Dominic Dousa is currently a graduate student pursuing a doctorate in composition at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana. He holds degrees from Central Michigan University (M. M., Composition, 2000), Iowa State University, (M.S., Statistics, 1998), and Harvard University (A.B., Music, 1995). He also has studied composition in Prague, Czech Republic. His composition teachers include Jody Nagel, David Gillingham, Craig Weston, and Milan Slavicky.

Mr. Dousa’s music has been performed at several American universities and in Prague. Last July, his work Airstreams for alto saxophone and vibraphone, commissioned by saxophonist John Nichol, was premiered at the World Saxophone Congress in Montreal. In August, his composition Visions of the American Great Plains for oboe, two horns, and string orchestra was premiered at the 7th International Bach Festival in Trujillo, Peru. In 1999, the Midland (Michigan) Symphony Orchestra performed his arrangement of the hymn tune Be Thou My Vision.

In addition to his compositional activity, Mr. Dousa remains active as an accompanist. He has accompanied instrumentalists and vocalists at numerous recitals and served as an official accompanist for the 4th International Vocal Competition in Trujillo, Peru, in August of 2000.

Hagana Kim, a senior at Norfolk Academy is the first-place winner of this season’s Bay Youth Symphony Concert Competition. Hagana has studied the piano with Teresa Compos-Falk, Walter Noona, and Beverly Greene among others. He is also currently a harp student of Hye-Yun Chung Bennett. Hagana has studied music for almost twelve years, and has won numerous competitions, including the Lion’s Club competition, the TMTF auditions, and the VMTA State Auditions. He has placed consistently in the Old Dominion University Classical Competition and has been a finalist in the Baldwin and Yamaha State Auditions. Hagana also attended the International Institute of Young Musicians, a three-week intensive study program at the University of California at Santa Barbara, as well as the Aspen Music Festival in Aspen, Colorado. His aspirations include taking over Paul Sheaffer’s job as keyboardist and bandleader on the David Letterman Show.
# SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA PERSONNEL

## VIOLIN
- **Anne Huang**
- Edward Abiang
- Neema Ardanlar
- Patrick Arnett
- Angela Baird
- Kasie Coccaro
- Summer Cozzens
- Esther Diehl
- Megan Dillard
- Beth Donahue
- Carolyn Dunn
- Laura Fawcett
- Elizabeth Munter
- Laura Sorensen
- Michael Tsai
- Cheryl Vertigan
- Virginia Wheaton
- Kempsville High School
- Governor's School
- Ocean Lakes Math/Science Magnet
- Great Bridge High School
- Kellam High School
- Hickory High School
- Hickory High School
- Norfolk Christian High School
- Menchville High School
- Princess Anne High School
- Salem High School
- Tallwood High School
- Great Bridge High School
- Norfolk Academy
- First Colonial High School
- Hickory High School
- Home School

## VIOLIN II
- Kristin Baird
- Meryl Barns
- Lauren Boyer
- Alex Brokmiller
- Deric Cole
- Loren Evory
- Caitlin Hennessy
- Adam Hill
- Faith Kim
- Eunjea Kim
- Michael Morris
- Pooja Phaitankar
- Courtney Smith
- Michael Warren
- Seth White
- Chris Wong
- Princess Anne Middle School
- First Colonial High School
- Hickory High School
- Ocean Lakes Math/Science Magnet
- Great Bridge High School
- Hickory High School
- Great Bridge High School
- First Colonial High School
- Norfolk Academy
- Kempsville High School
- Great Bridge High School
- Kempsville High School
- Deep Creek High School
- Western Branch High School
- Kellam High School
- Cape Henry Collegiate School

## VIOLA
- Matthew Kumjian
- Jeffrey McLaughlin
- Amy Ruddle
- Jennifer Vaughan
- Great Bridge High School
- Princess Anne High School
- Norfolk Collegiate
- Hickory High School

## CELLO
- Kevin Jones
- Becca Bernard
- Graham Bryant
- Carl Evory
- Sara Gulick
- Allison Heckel
- Grace Huang
- Da-In Kim
- Victoria Kurak
- Brandon Rowe
- Aaron Schooley
- Great Bridge High School
- Lakeland High School
- Kempsville High School
- Hickory High School
- Western Branch High School
- Western Branch High School
- Princess Anne High School
- Western Branch High School
- Indian River High School
- Governor's School
- Hickory High School

## BASS
- Alex Rosa
- Jennifer Holden
- Patrick Onofre
- First Colonial High School
- Hickory High School
- First Colonial High School

## FLUTE
- Jessica Finch
- Emma Hamilton
- Whitney Kimmert
- Dotty Waters
- Lafayette High School
- Princess Anne High School
- Grafton High School
- Southampton High School

## PICCOLO
- Whitney Kimmert
- Grafton High School

## OBOE
- Floyd Dugger
- Gwendolyn Kirk
- Lauren Mansfield
- Nansemond River High School
- Churchland High School
- Great Bridge High School

## CLARINET
- Kevin Clasen
- Geoff Miller
- Berginald Rash
- Megan Greene
- Grafton High School
- Cox High School
- Kempsville High School
- Lakeland High School

## BASSOON
- Allison Faulkner
- Great Bridge High School

## FRENCH HORN
- Jessica Jones
- Alexander Kirk
- Jonathan Byers
- Ryan Farquar
- Western Branch High School
- Churchland High School
- Great Bridge High School
- Tidewater Community College

## TRUMPET
- Timothy Beadle
- Christian Thomas
- Matthew Wezien
- Poquoson High School
- Home School
- Tabb High School

## TROMBONE
- Hope Huynh
- Norfolk Academy

## PERCUSSION
- Christian Huynh
- Jessica Frost
- Nathaniel Berkheimer
- Bonnie Reed
- Norfolk Academy
- Governor's School
- Kempsville High School
- Ocean Lakes Math/Science Magnet

**Concertmaster**

* Principal