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SYMPHONIC BRILLIANCE: THE MUSIC OF JENNIFER HIGDON

CCM Philharmonia
Mark Gibson, music director and conductor

CCM Wind Symphony
Kevin Michael Holzman, music director and conductor
Adam Groh, guest faculty artist
Angelo Anton, graduate conductor

Friday, October 17, 2025
Corbett Auditorium
7:30 p.m.

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PROGRAM

CCM Philharmonia

"SkyLine" from City Scape (2002)

Jennifer Higdon
(b. 1962)

Viola Concerto (2014)

Jennifer Higdon

Gabriel Caal, viola**
Alfonso Keller-Casielles, conductor***

I. Quarter Note = 42
II. Quarter Note = 102
III. Quarter Note = 72

Harp Concerto (2018)

Jennifer Higdon

Emily Stone, harp****

I. First Light
II. Joy Ride
III. Lullaby
IV. Rap Knock

**winner of CCM Viola Concerto Competition, student of Prof. Catharine Lees
***Mr. Keller-Casielles is a Masters conducting student of Prof. Mark Gibson
**** winner of CCM Harp Concerto Competition, student of Prof. Gillian Sella

INTERMISSION

CCM Wind Symphony

Fanfare Ritmico

Jennifer Higdon

Angelo Anton, conductor

blue cathedral

Jennifer Higdon
trans. Nowlin

Percussion Concerto

Jennifer Higdon

Adam Groh, percussion

BIOGRAPHY

Jennifer Higdon is one of America's most acclaimed figures in contemporary classical music, receiving the 2010 Pulitzer Prize in Music for her Violin Concerto, a 2010 Grammy for her Percussion Concerto, a 2018 Grammy for her Viola Concerto and, most recently, a 2020 Grammy for her Harp Concerto.

Higdon's first opera, Cold Mountain, won the International Opera Award for Best World Premiere and the opera recording was nominated for 2 Grammy awards. In 2018, Higdon received the prestigious Nemmers Prize from Northwestern University, awarded to contemporary classical composers of exceptional achievement who have significantly influenced the field of composition.

Most recently, shewas invited to become a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters. Higdon enjoys several hundred performances a year of her works and her works have been recorded on more than 70 CDs.

Special thanks to **CCMpower** for supporting community tickets for the Higdon Festival. **CCMpower** consists of fans, advocates and alumni dedicated to empowering students and igniting possibilities through scholarship opportunities and more.

ROSTER

CCM Philharmonia Roster

Mark Gibson, music director and conductor

Violin I
Kerrigan Mandrell, *concertmaster*
Karissa Brath, *assistant*
Rain Go
Karis Kharmawirya
Eli Schrubbe
Edgar Lucena
Rafael Roig-Francoli
Hyunwoo Park
Riki Nagai
Yiyi Suo
Olivia Szor
Joel Peterson

Violin II
Lauren Geerlings, *principal*
Emily Gladstone, *assistant*
Rachel Elfman
Emily Beckner
Andrew Smeader
Liliana Fata
Josiah Mendenhall
Ziqi Wu
Peilin Jiang
Carlos Avendaño

Viola
Gabriel Caal, *principal*
Lauren Wilson, *assistant*
Hinami Koyama
Lila Reeser
Solange Gallina
Lily Clark
Jeremy Egerton
Cuong Diep
Anqi Jiang
Margaret Lytle
Yufeng Lin

Cello
Andres Celis, *principal*
Ada Ortan, *assistant*
Elliott Watras
Kanyun Li
Yinchen Feng
Jamie Clark
Krish Subramanian
Zhixu Cheng
Adalus Low-Mancini

Double Bass
Fischer Friend, *principal*
Jo Arnold, *assistant*
Jack Kotchka Smith
Jane Hanneman
John Mason Copeland
Elizabeth Liotta
Bailey Amspoker
Wendell Rosa

Flute/Piccolo
Laura Lin, flute/piccolo [2]
Reice Hudson [1]
Elva Tang [3]

Oboe
Pyunghwa Cho [3]
Maxx Mejia
Dylan Reynallt [1]

English Horn
Pyunghwa Cho

Clarinet
Yi Dong [2]
Liangjun Li [3]
Vicente Pedroza
Chrisian Rucinski, clarinet/bass clarinet
Cindy Wang
Huai Xuan [1]

Bassoon
Alek Prok, contrabassoon/bassoon
Erik Traheim
Ethan Surles, contrabassoon/bassoon [1]
Saejin Park

Horn
Michael Calvin [1]
Ben Humphries [2]
Duoran Wang
Alyssa Webb
Michael Zelinski [3]

Trumpet
Gabriel Curtis [3]
Jae Dong Kim [1]
Jazzmine Van Veld [2]

Trombone
Sean LaRoy [1,3]
Sean Small [2]

Bass Trombone
Carter Cantrell

Tuba
Tianyu Wang

Timpani
Liang Dong [1]
Matt Hanson [3]

Percussion
San-Lou Wei [1]
Matt Lawson [1,2]
Liang Dong [2,3]
Josiah Jobe [1,3]

Graduate Assistants
Carlos Avendaño-Garcia
Yuval Barak
Alfonso Keller-Casielles
Sz Tsit Selena Liu
Juan Vasquez
Xiaohe Yang

Orchestra Librarians
Liam Gibb
Citlalmina Hernandez Toro

1 denotes principal player in SkyLine

2 denotes principal player in Viola Concerto

3 denotes principal player in Harp Concerto

ROSTER

CCM WIND SYMPHONY

Kevin Michael Holzman, music director and conductor

Flute
Maddie Choi
Minkyoung Choi
Kayla Gage
Maria Milano
Briana Vidal

Oboe
Reed Carter
Alexis Doremus – Wessels
Olivia Leake

Clarinet
Tyler Song
Alvin Chen
Sophia Chen
Owen Cheung
Seongjin Kim
Casey McGuire
Zikang Wang
Lirui Zheng

Bassoon
Bryan Benson
Joshua Butenschoen
Colson Li
Betty Stevens

Saxophone
Noah Burns
Graham Koppi
Peter Koury
Max Page

Horn
Autumn Edson
Jimmy Herrington
Shawn Knapp
Hanna Oprea
Matias Rivera
Lucy Williams

Trumpet
Joseph DeLage
Alexa Dziatowski
Luke Halling
Brendan Mathieson
Enid McMahon
Olivia Passerini
Mary Reid

Trombone
Xin Chen
Cody Coleman
Rory McIntyre
Jacob Noel
Cooper Thompson

Euphonium
Reece Hinton
Kelley Ozier

Tuba
Jamieon Gilmore
Michael Ring

Double Bass
Georgia Holt

Harp
Madeline Arney

Piano
Mateo Martinez – Schwartz
Isabel Mearini

Percussion
Maddie Adams
Yuxuan Gong
Qiming Han
Allison Olds
Koen Scheid
Isaiah Wright
Emma Zemancik

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Winds Series
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CCM Wind Ensemble
Tyler Ehrlich, music director and conductor
Brian Zielinski and Bradley Esau, graduate conducting associates
CCM Junior Youth Wind Ensemble (Jr. CYWE)
Richard Canter, conductor
The CCM Jr. Youth Wind Ensemble joins the CCM Wind Ensemble for an exciting performance of wind ensemble classics.
RIMSKY-KORSAKOV/LEIDZEN: Procession of the Nobles
HOLST/JACOB: A Moorside Suite
HIGDON: Mysterium
MCCUNE: Caveat
ITO: Gloriosa
Estimated run time: 90 minutes
Location: Corbett Auditorium
Admission: $19.50 adult, $15 student, $15 UC faculty/staff, $10 UC student, $5 CCM student; group discounts available.

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