



School of Music

presents

**KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Symphony Orchestra**

Concerto Competition Concert

Wednesday, February 18, 2009

8:00 pm

Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center  
Performance Hall

*Forty-third Concert of the 2008-2009 season*

**Kennesaw State University  
School of Music**

**Kennesaw State University Orchestra**  
**Michael Alexander, conductor**  
**Theresa Stephens, clarinet**

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**PROGRAM**

**Serenade for Strings in C major, Op. 48 Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky**  
(1840-1893)

Piece in form of a sonatina  
Waltz  
Elegy  
Finale (Russian Theme)

**Premiere Rhapsodie for Clarinet and Orchestra Claude Debussy**  
(1862-1918)

Theresa Stephens, clarinet  
KSU Concert Competition Winner

**INTERMISSION**

**Symphony #25 in G Minor, K183 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart**  
(1756-1791)

Allegro conbrio  
Andante  
Menuetto  
Allegro

## Kennesaw State University

### Upcoming Music Events

**Tuesday, February 24, 2009**

Kennesaw State University Faculty Artist Recital

*Judy Cole, piano*

8:00 pm • Bailey Performance Center Performance Hall

**Thursday, February 26, 2009**

Kennesaw State University

*Concerto Competition Finals*

8:00 pm • Bailey Performance Center Performance Hall

**Sunday, March 1, 2009**

Kennesaw State University Premiere Series

*Jennifer Larmore, mezzo-soprano*

3:00 pm • Bailey Performance Center Performance Hall

**Monday, March 2, 2009**

Kennesaw State University

*Faculty String Trio and Friends*

8:00 pm • Bailey Performance Center Performance Hall

**Tuesday, March 3, 2009**

Kennesaw State University Faculty Artist Recital

*Adam Kirkpatrick, tenor*

8:00 pm • Bailey Performance Center Performance Hall

**Thursday, March 5, 2009**

Kennesaw State University Guest Artist Recital

*Jeri-Mae Astolfi, piano*

8:00 pm • Bailey Performance Center Performance Hall

For the most current information, please visit  
<http://www.kennesaw.edu/arts/events/>

## KSU Symphony Orchestra Personnel

### Flute

Holly Botella, Peachtree City, GA  
Chelsea Estes, Atlanta, GA  
Megan Grauso, Alpharetta, GA  
Chelsea Wells, Kennesaw, GA

### Piccolo

Chelsea Estes, Atlanta, GA

### Oboe

Kerry Brunson, Nacogdoches, TX  
Caitlin Dolenc, Hoschton, GA

### English Horn

Caitlin Dolenc, Hoschton, GA

### Clarinet

Tabitha Abernathy, Hiram, GA  
Bora Moon, Seoul, South Korea  
Theresa Stephens, Kennesaw, GA

### Bass Clarinet

Theresa Stephens, Kennesaw, GA

### Bassoon

Linda Rogers, Douglasville, GA

### Horn

Alex Depew, Kennesaw, GA  
Alex Hansell, Roswell, GA  
Melissa Harris, Gainesville, GA  
Luke Rabun, Atlanta, GA  
Elizabeth Wofford, Jasper, GA

### Trumpet

Turner Millsaps, Peachtree City, GA  
Lee Rutledge, Dallas, TX  
Daniel White, Atlanta, GA

### Trombone

Ryan Payne, Emerson, GA  
Jordan Sellers, Marietta, GA

### Bass Trombone

Sam Aumann, Canton, GA

### Tuba

Austin Baxley, Austell, GA

### Timpani

Mesia Austin, Atlanta, GA  
Josh Madison, Marietta, GA

### Piano

Brett Carson, Canton, GA

### Violin 1

Tyler Mitchell, Co-Concertmaster  
Powder Springs, GA  
Adam von Housen, Co-Concertmaster  
Woodstock, GA  
Suzanne Bergs, Lawrenceville, GA  
Daniel Bermel, San Antonio, TX  
Brian Fredricks, Kennesaw, GA  
Domenico Hueso, San Diego, CA  
Keely McGreevy, Kennesaw, GA  
William Myers, Kennesaw, GA

### Violin 2

Christina Volz, Principal  
Decatur, GA  
Sam Bonilla, Acworth, GA  
Erica Gordon, Marietta, GA  
Jessica Hicks, Powder Springs, GA  
Sean Kurkjian, Powder Springs, GA  
Steven Melin, Lawrenceville, GA  
Natalie Riney, Austell, GA  
Vanessa Rodriguez, Kennesaw, GA

### Viola

Blake Wright, Co-Principal  
Marietta, GA  
Kristi McKnight, Co-Principal  
Lawrenceville, GA  
Steven Bicknell, Acworth, GA  
Emily Ferrari, Danvers, MA  
Krystal Grau, Lawrenceville, GA  
Evin Hanke, Alpharetta, GA  
Alan Jaffe, Marietta, GA  
Courtney Varner, Marietta, GA

### Cello

Stefanie Tessler, Principal  
North Plainfield, NJ  
Jordan Jones-Cleaver, Dallas, TX  
Ruth Anne Stuckey, Little Rock, AR  
J Wolfson, Marietta, GA

### Double Bass

Brandon McDaniel, Principal  
Powder Springs, GA  
Luis Catalan, Atlanta, GA  
Sam Cauthorn, Marietta, GA  
Louise DuBois, Atlanta, GA  
Jordan Thomas, Marietta, GA

### Percussion

Mesia Austin, Atlanta, GA  
Pershaud Bolt, Omaha, NE  
Zac Poore, Acworth, GA

**Michael Alexander*****conductor***

Michael Alexander is in his fifth year at Kennesaw State University. He also serves as the Music Director of the Cobb Symphony Orchestra and Georgia Youth Symphony Orchestra. Dr. Alexander has also held posts as Music Director of the Green Bay Youth Symphony Orchestras and as the Orchestra Director at Ripon College.

Active as a guest conductor, he has conducted in Europe, Australia and at various places in the United States, including a subscription performance with the Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra in 2002, the Maikop Symphony Orchestra and the Novgorod String Orchestra in Russia, the Bacau Philharmonic in Romania and the Catania Music Festival in Italy in 2003. In the summer of 2004 he served as Music Director for the Madison Savoyards Opera Company and in 2007 as guest conductor of the Illinois Valley Symphony Orchestra. He has also appeared as a guest conductor with the 2001, 2003, 2005 Summer Music Clinic Orchestra at the University of Wisconsin and with the 2003-2006 Maud-Powell Music Festival Orchestra in LaSalle, IL.

In the summer of 2003 he completed his Doctor of Musical Arts Degree at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in orchestral conducting. While at UW, he studied with David E. Becker and served as an Assistant Conductor with the Symphony and Chamber Orchestras and UW Opera. Previously he has served on the faculties at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

Dedicated to music education, for two years, Dr. Alexander also conducted the Orchestra at Verona Area High School outside of Madison, Wisconsin; served on the artistic staff of the Wisconsin Youth Symphony Orchestra; and has contributed articles to the *Teaching Music Through Performance* book series. In 2006 he was the conductor for the Cobb County Honors Orchestra.

**Theresa Stephens*****clarinet***

Theresa Stephens actively plays in various local and national ensembles, performing everything from chamber music to doing pit orchestra work. She has performed in such prestigious venues as Carnegie Hall with the National Wind Ensemble and Hill Auditorium at the University of Michigan with the College Band Directors National Association Intercollegiate Honor Band. In 2007 she also had the honor of being chosen a winner in the Kennesaw State University Concerto Competition.

Ms. Stephens' primary teachers have included Joe Eller, Agnes Marchione, and Ted Gurch. She has performed in master classes for people such as Karl Leister, Charles Neidich, and Richard Hawkins. She plans to continue her education by obtaining a Masters Degree in Clarinet Performance.