



DEPARTMENT OF
MUSIC
AT PRINCETON

Sunday, October 30, 2022, 3:00 PM
Forum, Lewis Arts Complex

Princeton University Sinfonia

Ruth Ochs, conductor

PROGRAM

Edvard Grieg
(1843-1907)

“In the Hall of the Mountain King” from *Peer Gynt*

Howard Shore
(b. 1946)
arr. **John Whitney**

The Lord of the Rings Symphonic Suite

Robert Schumann
(1810-1856)

Concert Allegro with Introduction for Piano and
Orchestra, Op. 134

Francine Kay, piano

Josef Suk
(1874-1935)

Scherzo fantastique, Op. 25 (excerpt)

Enrique Granados
(1867-1916)

“Intermezzo” from *Goyescas*

Gioachino Rossini
(1792-1868)

Overture to *William Tell*

Katie Baldwin '24, cello solo
Gina Arnau '26, flute solo
Katya Williams '23, English horn solo

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ABOUT

The **PRINCETON UNIVERSITY SINFONIA** is a full symphony orchestra that unites eager, music-loving Princeton University undergraduate and graduate students, as well as community friends, to explore diverse symphonic repertory from four centuries. Its members are passionate musicians with diverse interests and backgrounds who come together for the rich rewards of making music together and for others.

Noted for “an extraordinary range of colour” (*Montreal Gazette*), and “poetic brilliance” (*Toronto Star*), pianist **FRANCINE KAY** is acclaimed for her beauty of sound and for the intensity and depth of her interpretations. Since making her debut at the Carnegie Recital Hall as winner of the New York Pro Piano Competition, Francine Kay has been a regular guest at international festivals, such as Music Mountain, the Saratoga Performing Arts Center, the Chopin Festival in Mariánské Lázně (Czech Republic), the Nowy Sącz International Music Festival (Poland), and the Zodiac Academy and Festival in France.

Ms. Kay has performed at venues such as Carnegie Hall’s Stern Auditorium and Weill Recital Hall, the Lincoln Center’s Rose Studio, Salle Gaveau in Paris, and the National Gallery of Art in Washington D.C. She has also appeared on the Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concerts and the Bargemusic series in New York City, and she has been a soloist with orchestras across Canada and the United States.

Ms. Kay’s recordings have received international accolades. Her Debussy recording was nominated for a Juno award and was chosen as Disc of the Month by the German publication Fono Forum. Her performances are broadcast frequently on CBC, NPR, the BBC, WFMT, Radio France, and the EBU.

Francine Kay is a member of the piano faculty at Princeton University. Her newest recording, *Things Lived and Dreamt* will be released on the Analekta label in January 2023.

DR. RUTH OCHS is a passionate and sought-after conductor and educator based in central New Jersey. Since 2002 she has been conducting at Princeton University in various capacities. Soon after beginning graduate studies in the Department of Music at Princeton, she took over directorship of the Princeton University Sinfonia and quickly steered its growth from a chamber orchestra into a full-size symphonic orchestra performing repertory from the baroque to the most recent, including accompanying a fully-staged version Mozart’s *Die Gärtnerin aus Liebe* in 2019. Under Dr. Ochs’ leadership, the orchestra regularly premieres new compositions by Princeton University undergraduate composers. She also serves as Associate Conductor of the Princeton University Orchestra and has led the ensemble in a variety of performances, including on its tour of Spain in 2019. Off the podium, her work in the classroom and introducing concert programs puts into action her belief that performers and audiences alike benefit from a closer understanding of the materials and makers of a musical composition.

Passionate about nourishing and inspiring community and youth musicians, Dr. Ochs also shares her time with local musical initiatives in central New Jersey. She is now in her eighteenth season as conductor and music director of the Westminster Community Orchestra, with whom she has led successful opera gala performances, collaborations with youth ensembles from the Westminster Conservatory of Music, and popular Halloween and holiday concerts. Musical outreach lies close to her heart, and she has taken small ensembles of Princeton University musicians to perform in Mercer County elementary schools. In 2019 she received the Princeton University Pace Center for Civic Engagement’s Community Engagement Award.

Ruth Ochs holds degrees in music, orchestral conducting, and music history, from Harvard University (magna cum laude with highest honors in music), the University of Texas at Austin, and Princeton University, respectively. As a Fulbright Scholar, she studied musicology at Humboldt Universität in Berlin, Germany, and, as a student of the Polish language, she studied at the Uniwersytet Jagielloński in Kraków, Poland. She is currently Senior Lecturer in Princeton University’s Department of Music.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY SINFONIA

VIOLIN 1

Edward Zhang, leader
Cody Mui
Ryan Lee
Kyle Foster
Jane Nguyen
Rebekah Choi
Charlotte Defriez
Amelia Brown
Kevin Zhang
Greta Li
Michael Tsai
Emily Gai
Sasha Villefranche
Jenna Park
Sabrina Van

VIOLIN 2

Sunay Joshi, principal
Emilie Chau
Emilio Chan
Rachel Tam
Katriina Ukkonen
Lauren Dreier
Warren Yuan
Naomi Frim-Abrams
Karen Yang
Na'im Ahdieh
Connor Frank
Romit Kundagrami
Micah Petit-Bois
Mia Sampson
Ignacio Arias Philippi

VIOLA

Abigail Rabieh, principal
Adrian Thananopavarn
Andy Zhang
Angelina Lumour-Mensah
Tore Nasset
Chimwemwe Chinkuyu
Divya Raghunathan
Maddie Esposito
Nora Graves
Sophia Colmenares
Cindy Lorenzana
Johanna Linna

CELLO

Katie Baldwin, principal
Sarah Zhang
Noelle Kim
Oscair Page
Sophia Chang
Max Rosen
Chirag Kumar
Angela Challman
Christina Bradley
Jason Luo
Angela Park
Kate Weseley-Jones
Nati Arbelaez-Solano

BASS

Cara Turnbull, principal
Jack Hill

FLUTE/PICCOLO

Sara Akiba
Gina Arnau Torner
Jana Buchtova
Joyce Chan
Sharv Dave
Annie Kim
Alice Lee
Annette Lee
Louis Viglietta
Chenhan Zhang
Christina Zhang

OBOE/ENGLISH HORN

Quinn Haverstick
Olivia Hoppe-Spink
Santhosh Nadarajah
Katya Williams

CLARINET

Derek Edwards
Jenny Fan
Mark Farino
Jacob Jackson
Ethan Spain
Molly Cutler
Fiona Logan-Sankey
Colby McArthur
Claire Schultz
Mason Thieu
Melissa Woo

BASSOON

Conner Kim
Natalie Oh
Jared Stone

HORN

Spencer Bauman
Jacob Beyer
Selena Hostetler
Daniel Liu

TRUMPET

Helen Cueyoung Lee
Donovan Pearce
Hannah Ulman

TROMBONE

Jupiter Ding
Jack Isaac

TUBA

Sebastian Quiroga

HARP

Leila Hudson

TIMPANI/PERCUSSION

Robert Mieth
Luca Morante
Barak Nehoran
Eve Rosenthal

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