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## Mission Statement

The mission of the Youth Orchestra of Central Jersey is to provide opportunities for talented young musicians in Central New Jersey to participate in musical performances at a level beyond that which is traditionally offered by school bands and orchestras.

## Conductors & Staff

**Phillip Pugh** • Artistic Director,

Sinfonietta String Orchestra & Pro Arte Orchestra

**Dr. Jordan Smith** • Saxophone Ensemble & Saxophone Choir

**Scott Collins** • Wind Symphony & Woodwind Choir

**Sandy Olson** • Flute Choir

**Chris Colaneri** • Percussion Ensemble

**Barbara Witmer** • Symphonic Woodwinds

**Shannon Ferrara** • Brass Choir

**Kenneth T. Bean** • Symphonic Orchestra

**Michael Anzuini** • Brass Ensemble

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## YOCJ Conductors

**Phillip Pugh**, YOCJ Artistic Director and Conductor of the Pro Arte and Sinfonietta String Orchestras, holds a Master's degree in music theory and a Bachelor's degree in music education from Temple University. In addition to extensive study in violin performance, Mr. Pugh is a registered Suzuki teacher and has also studied string instrument repair and set up under the tutelage of leading luthiers. As a violinist and violist, he performs with the Boheme Opera Company and the New Jersey Capital Philharmonic Orchestra. Additionally, he teaches strings at the West Windsor-Plainsboro's Millstone River School, has served on the faculty of the Csehy Summer School of Music, and maintains an active private studio, teaching violin and viola. Mr. Pugh has been with the Youth Orchestra of Central Jersey since 1988.

**Dr. Jordan Smith**, Conductor of the Saxophone Choir and Saxophone Ensemble, holds a Doctor of Musical Arts degree from Rutgers University, a Master of Music in saxophone performance from the Manhattan School of Music and a Bachelor of Music in music education degree from The College of New Jersey. He has concertized throughout the U.S., Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, and Greece as a soloist, conductor, chamber and orchestral musician, and has recently performed with the New World Symphony, Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, and the Sifodec Orchestra in such venues as Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and more. As a Chamber musician in NYC and a strong advocate for new music, he has premiered over 30 works for saxophone. His article on Jules Massenet appeared in a 2015 edition of The Saxophone Symposium and a recent article on Prokofiev's Lieutenant Kijé Suite was published in a 2011 issue of Saxophone Journal. In addition to YOCJ, Dr. Smith teaches music history at Saint Peter's University in Jersey City. He maintains a large private studio in Princeton, NJ. Dr. Smith joined YOCJ in 2010. [jordanpsmith.com](http://jordanpsmith.com)

**Scott Collins**, Conductor of the Wind Symphony and Woodwind Choir, holds a Master's Degree in Clarinet Performance, a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education, both from Temple University, as well as an Associate's Degree in Liberal Arts from Valley Forge Military College. Mr. Collins has been teaching in the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District since 2004, where he has directed a variety of ensembles including concert band, jazz band, marching band, and string orchestra. Currently, he teaches concert band at the Community Middle School. In July 2011, he was named a "Conducting Fellow" for the Conducting Workshop for Music Educators at the Juilliard School. Mr. Collins has performed as a clarinetist with the Haddonfield Symphony, the Opera Festival of New Jersey, the Princeton Festival, the Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, and the Arts at St. John's, with whom he performed Mozart's Clarinet Concerto in A Major back in 2014. Mr. Scott Collins joined the Youth Orchestra of Central Jersey in 2015.

**Sandy Olson**, Conductor of the Flute Choir holds a Master of Music in flute performance from Western Illinois University, a Bachelor's degree in music education from Arkansas State University, and completed her DMA coursework in flute performance at the University of Illinois. Ms. Olson has been a flute teacher and director of the summer flute camp at Westminster Conservatory as well as a middle school music teacher in South Brunswick, New Jersey for the past twenty years. For the National Flute Association, Ms. Olson is the past chairman of both the High School Soloist Competition and the High School Flute Choir Competition. Her love of nurturing young students started with her Suzuki Flute Teacher Training with Tatsumi Shiojima. Ms. Olson has also performed at both the National Flute Association as well as the British Flute Association flute conventions. Ms. Sandy Olson is happy to have joined the YOCJ staff in 2016.

**Chris Colaneri**, Conductor of the Percussion Ensemble, holds a Master's in music education from New Jersey City University and a Bachelor's degree in classical performance from Rowan University. Mr. Colaneri has been teaching in the New York and New Jersey Public schools since 1996. His current position is with the Berkeley Heights Public School System. He recently co-founded and is currently the President of the Percussion Educator's Association of New Jersey. Mr. Colaneri's orchestral endeavors have taken him to Spain, France, Israel and Jordan. He performs yearly with Josh Groban as his Radio City Music Hall timpanist and has also shared the stage with Cindi Lauper, Itzhak Perlman, Breland, Warren Haynes, Hanson, Rita Wilson and Il Volo. Locally, he has performed with the Plainfield Symphony, South Orange Symphony, Haddonfield Symphony, and Metropolitan Orchestra of New Jersey. As a vibist, marimba and Latin percussion performer, Mr. Colaneri has led his own jazz quartet CCQ for the past eighteen years. This ensemble has given featured performances at NJPAC, various jazz clubs, private corporate and political functions and jazz festivals throughout NJ. Mr. Colaneri has given lectures at Rowan University, Temple, Mason Gross, the New Jersey Music Educator's State Convention and All Eastern. As an author for Oxford University Press, his recent method book The Total



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# Youth Orchestra of Central Jersey

## Tuesday January 27th Auditions



YOCJ provides nurturing & challenging musical experiences to some of the finest young musicians in our region!

- Sinfonietta String Orchestra
- Pro Arte Orchestra
- Symphonic Orchestra
- Wind Symphony
- Brass Ensemble
- Brass Choir
- Flute Choir
- Percussion Ensemble
- Saxophone Ensemble
- Saxophone Choir
- Symphonic Woodwinds
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Percussionists, can be found in classrooms throughout the USA and abroad. In addition to his musical endeavors, Mr. Colaneri can be found on the small screen as a background actor for such shows as The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel (Amazon Prime), The Time Traveler's Wife (HBO Max) and Just Like That... (HBO Max). Mr. Chris Colaneri joined the Youth Orchestra of Central Jersey in 2017.

**Barbara Witmer**, Coach of the Symphonic Orchestra woodwind section, holds a Master's Degree in Music Education from Ithaca College and a Bachelor's from Lebanon Valley College, also in Music Education. Ms. Witmer was a member of the music faculty at Millstone River School in the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District where she taught elementary band for many years. She has recently retired from public school teaching. Barbara Witmer plays oboe in the New Jersey Capital Philharmonic Orchestra and performs as a free lance musician in the local area. In addition, she maintains a studio of private oboe students. Ms. Witmer served on the Alumni Committee of the YOCJ Board of Trustees for two years. Ms. Barbara Witmer joined the staff of the Youth Orchestra of Central Jersey in 2018.

**Shannon Ferrara**, the conductor of the Brass Choir and Symphonic Orchestra Brass Coach, holds a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from The College of New Jersey. Mrs. Ferrara has been teaching band in the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District for 21 years, first at Millstone River School (formerly Upper Elementary School), then moving to Village School for many years, and then finally "graduating" to middle school where she is now in her 8th year. In addition to public school teaching, she also maintains a private horn studio and continues to perform with such groups as The Eastern Wind Symphony, Garden State Symphonic Band, Plainfield Symphony, Nassau Brass, Quintessential Brass, and other orchestras, bands, and pit orchestras around New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Mrs. Ferrara has also been involved in community theater for twenty years, mostly with musical direction, but has performed other roles both on and off the stage. At home, she spends her free time with her three cats, her two kids, and her husband. Mrs. Ferrara joined the staff of the Youth Orchestra of Central Jersey in 2021.

**Kenneth T. Bean** is the conductor of the Symphonic Orchestra. He is an instructor and conductor in the Philadelphia area, as well as an active freelance trumpeter. He earned a Bachelor of Music from the Oberlin Conservatory of Music and a Master of Music Education from Jackson State University. He has taught at many festivals and schools, including The School District of Philadelphia, Settlement Music School, The Premier Orchestral Institute of the Mississippi Symphony, and Play On Philly. Although he enjoys teaching and performing, Kenneth's passion is on the podium. He has appeared as a guest conductor for the Marywood String Festival, Berks County Orchestra Festival and the Oberlin Conservatory of Music. His past Music Director/ Conductor appointments include the Junior String Philharmonic of the Lehigh Valley, the Young People's Philharmonic of the Lehigh Valley and Luzerne Music Center. Kenneth currently serves as Assistant Conductor of Symphony in C, Conductor of the Symphony in C Youth Orchestra in Collingswood, NJ, and Director/Conductor of the Young Musicians Debut Orchestra, the newest full orchestra within the Philadelphia Youth Orchestra Music Institute. In the summers, he serves as Co-Director of the Symphony in C Summer Camp and Conductor at Kinhaven Music School Junior Session in Weston, VT. Maestro Bean has served as the Assistant Conductor of the Princeton Symphony Orchestra and the Symphonic Conductor of the YOCJ since 2021.

**Michael Anzuni**, the coach and conductor of the Brass Ensemble, holds a Master's Degree in Music Performance (Instrumental Wind Conducting) from Rowan University and a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from James Madison University. Mr. Anzuni is an instrumental music teacher in the Hamilton Township School District. He began his teaching career in 2001 and is currently the Band Director at Emily C. Reynolds Middle School. Prior to teaching at RMS, Mr. Anzuni spent 16 years as a High School Band Director in the Willingboro and Hamilton School Districts. Ensembles under his direction have received Local, State and Regional recognition. He has also been a guest lecturer at The College of New Jersey and Rowan College at Burlington County. Mr. Anzuni has been a Trumpet/Cornet performer with the Princeton Brass Band, Wind Symphony of Southern New Jersey, Atlantic Brass Band, and many local theaters and churches. More recently, Mr. Anzuni served as the Director of the Princeton Youth Brass Band. Mr. Anzuni has conducted the All South Jersey Junior High Jazz Band (2007), the CJMEA High School Symphonic Band (2018), the SJBOA Intermediate Band (2019) and the CJMEA Middle School Honors Band (2023). In 2009, Mr. Anzuni was selected as a national finalist for a Band Officer/Conductor position with the USAF Band Program, a Symphony level audition. Mr. Anzuni is proud to have served on the Boards of Directors for both the New Jersey Association for Jazz Education (President, 2015-2019) and the New Jersey Music Educators Association. Mr. Anzuni joined the staff of The Youth Orchestra of Central Jersey in 2024.

## Upcoming Events

### Tuesday January 27

New Student Auditions: Register at [yocj.org/auditions](http://yocj.org/auditions)

### Tuesday February 3

Spring Semester Begins

### Tuesday February 10

Video deadline for March Masterclasses

### Tuesday March 10

Video deadline for Chamber Music Fundraiser Recital

### Tuesday March 10 Masterclasses

String Masterclass with Yumi Kendall, Philadelphia Orchestra  
Brass Masterclass with Brian Olson, Princeton Symphony Orchestra (PSO)  
Percussion Masterclass with Jeremy Levine, PSO  
Woodwind Masterclass with Zachary Feingold, PSO  
Saxophone Masterclass with Stacy Wilson, West Point Band

### Sunday April 12, 7pm

Chamber Music Fundraiser Recital  
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

### Saturday April 25, 7pm

Spring Small Ensemble Concert  
Community Middle School

### Saturday May 17 • 3pm & 7:30pm

Spring Large Ensemble Concerts  
WWP High School South

#### 3:00pm:

Wind Symphony  
Sinfonietta String Orchestra  
Pro Arte Orchestra  
Wind Symphony & Pro Arte Orchestra

#### 7:30pm:

Saxophone Choir  
Symphonic Orchestra, featuring

#### **Alex Fiszer, Senior Solo Competition Winner**

performing the Haydn Cello Concerto in C Major

### Summer Chamber Music Camp 2026

Week 1: Monday July 6 - Friday July 10  
Week 2: Monday July 13 - Friday July 17  
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church



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**March of the Trolls**

**Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)**

arr. Brian Beck

**The Cave You Fear**

**Michael Markowski (b. 1986)**

**The Dragon Prince**

**Rick Kirby (b. 1945)**

**Mosaic**

**Stephen Paulus (1949-2014)**

**Flute**

Esther Adigun  
Ahana Ashokan  
Sophia Kim  
Svamin Pandya  
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**Oboe**

Sritan Gottipati  
Emma Song  
Claire Wang

**English Horn**

Claire Wang

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Lakshya Sadwal  
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Aakanksha Talapaneni  
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Saish Nagnur  
Kiran Patibanda  
Liam Wynn

**Tenor Saxophone**

Abir Pal

**Baritone Saxophone**

Sebastian Grassi

**Trumpet**

Michael Anzuini &  
Rayan Das  
Rachel Zoda

**French Horn**

Eshaan Pathak  
Nora Watson  
Eliza Ferrara +  
Shannon Ferrara &

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Samuel Adigun  
Ava Esser  
Nate Rensink +

**Tuba**

Evan Mancino  
Alex Costantino +

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Christian Epps  
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Shrika Roy  
Jason Shi  
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**Yumi Kendall** is a distinguished cellist, classical music ambassador, and changemaker, whose voice and vision are paving the way for future generations. Since 2004 Ms. Kendall has been a dedicated and deeply active member of The Philadelphia Orchestra as assistant principal cello. She won the position at age 22, during her final year of studies at the Curtis Institute of Music, where she now serves on the cello performance faculty. Over the past two decades, as a performer and pedagogue, she has inspired, informed, and connected countless people as a passionate proponent of classical music. More recently, as a speaker, podcaster, and graduate of the University of Pennsylvania's Master of Applied Positive Psychology (MAPP) degree program, she has catalyzed conversations to help people and organizations thrive.

Ms. Kendall discovered the joy and connective power of music at a young age. She began studying cello at age five following the Suzuki approach; in fact, her grandfather was violinist and pedagogue John Kendall, known for introducing Suzuki education to the United States and training teachers from around the world. Together with her violinist brother, Nick Kendall—a member of the GRAMMY®- and Emmy-winning ensemble Time for Three—her childhood was steeped in delightful music-making experiences. The energy of her early Suzuki days remains an ongoing source of inspiration as she continues her journey as a performer and educator. She is forever thankful to her mentors along the way, including John Kendall, Nancy Hair, Carol Tarr, Alice Vierra, David Hardy, David Soyer, and Peter Wiley.

As an orchestral and chamber musician, Ms. Kendall has played on many of the world's prominent stages, including Carnegie Hall, the Kennedy Center, the Kimmel Center, Suntory Hall, and Vienna's Musikverein. She has performed with the Marlboro Festival and its tours, the East Coast Chamber Orchestra, and the Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, and has been featured as a soloist with The Philadelphia Orchestra and National Symphony Orchestra, among others. In 2013 she was selected by Philadelphia Orchestra Music and Artistic Director Yannick Nézet-Séguin to receive the Orchestra's C. Hartman Kuhn Award—given to "the member of The Philadelphia Orchestra who has shown ability and enterprise of such character as to enhance the standards and the reputation of The Philadelphia Orchestra." In 2022 supporters Elaine Woo Camarda and A. Morris Williams, Jr., established a Philadelphia Orchestra Chair in Ms. Kendall's name and endowed it in perpetuity.

Ms. Kendall discovered a complementary career calling in 2011, after The Philadelphia Orchestra filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. Eager to increase her knowledge and personal agency, she began investigating how other organizations grow and evolve in the face of struggle. Her quest led to earning a master's degree at Penn's MAPP program—the first in the world focused on the scientific study of the strengths that enable humans and organizations to flourish.

Since graduating from MAPP in 2017, Ms. Kendall has appeared as a guest presenter and facilitator at conferences, retreats, and other events across various professional fields. By bridging music and positive psychology (and often bringing her cello), she offers a uniquely engaging perspective on topics such as intrinsic motivation, cultivating meaning at work, and social connections. Captivating as both a cellist and speaker, she is known for her authenticity, ebullience, and approachable style in communicating about classical music. Exemplifying her role as a changemaker, in 2023 Ms. Kendall launched the podcast *Tacet No More* with her longtime friend, Philadelphia Orchestra Principal Bass Joseph Conyers. Their podcast raises provocative yet optimistic inquiries intended to shake up the status quo and reimagine the next era of classical music. To date, the podcast has featured an array of pioneering guests from across sectors. To tune in, visit [www.facetnomore.com](http://www.facetnomore.com).



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Kyson Zhou

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Navya Somula  
Jacob Toledo  
Nishant Vasanth\*  
Karan Vijayakumar

**Viola**  
Kaushal Chikka  
Arsh Mehan \*  
Arad Mirmadjlessi  
Arnav Nair  
Ranvir Singh  
Eshan Yalla

**Cello**  
Nithya Balaguru  
Alexander Fiszer \*  
Raghav Gnanasabapathy Kiruthika  
Lucas Horowitz  
Ryan Kim  
Riley Leung  
Ceilidh Manigrasso  
Cassidy Shea  
Sophie Wang

**Double Bass**  
Wallace Snow \*  
Olivia Swarup  
**Flute**  
Amogh Basker  
Hamsini Mettu  
Anya Patel \*  
Mahd Shabab  
**Piccolo**  
Amogh Basker  
Mahd Shabab

**Oboe**  
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Maya Shue  
**Bassoon**  
Moinak Pal \*  
Jonathan Livolsi #

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Ethan De La Garza  
Neel Kamath \*  
Audree Oh  
Shannon Ferrara &  
**Trumpet**  
Joseph Cridge \*  
James Yin  
Brian Olson #  
**Trombone**  
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# Sinfonietta String Orchestra

## *Phillip Pugh, Conductor*

**Divertimento in D, No.11, K. 251**

**Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart**  
(1756-1791), arr. Whittington

**Polka from Czech Suite, Op. 39**

**Antonín Dvořák (1841-1904)**  
arr. Bailey

**Capriol Suite**

Basse Danse  
Mattachins

**Peter Warlock (1894-1930)**

**Violin I**

Kaylyn Eswine  
Aarya Gupta  
Eshaan Hebbar  
Andrew Li  
Kenneth Liao  
Parth Sharma \*  
Nehir Soykal  
Isaac Yin

**Viola**

Emma Anam \*  
Nevin Benjamin  
Alexander Detherage  
Apoorva Gogineni  
Iris Jang  
Brendan MacMillan  
Nozomi Pugh

**Cello**

Eliana Agoglia  
Jayadeep Atte  
Rishi Jadhaw  
Benjamin Lu  
Brian MacMillan  
Pierre Olivier  
Laura Otto  
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Eric Xu  
Michael Yuan

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Norah Meyer \*

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# Pro Arte Orchestra

*Phillip Pugh, Conductor*

## Concerto Grosso, Op. 6, No. 7

I. Largo  
II. Allegro

## Symphony in D Minor "La Casa del Diavolo"

Finale

George F. Händel (1685-1759)

### Violin I

Ellery Badros  
Stella Evanini  
Joshua Fermo  
Claire Hodgson \*  
Yashanth Logaraj  
Saanvi Mathur  
Tanvi Mukka  
Alaina Rosof  
Gianna Zhou

### Violin II

Neil Benjamin  
Charlotte Elga  
Vivienne Lin  
Anvi Mahendrakar  
Vani Mehta  
Vrushti Mehta  
Hikari Pugh  
Ananya Saraogi \*  
Sehaj Singh  
Rena Yu

### Harp

Diane Michaels +

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### Viola

Lilah Jacome  
Prisha Patra  
Eleonora Ruiz \*  
Bethany Tuan  
Anna Yang

### Cello

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Tamoghna Banerjee  
Niyati Chintagunta  
Anushka Gogineni  
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Nathan Sung \*  
Mahika Thakur  
Henry Toettcher  
Swathi Venkatesh  
Mitchell Whitman

### Double Bass

Alma Bahk \*  
Daniel Wagner

# Symphonic Orchestra

*Kenneth T. Bean, Conductor*

## Ballade in A Minor Op. 33

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875-1912)

## Concerto for Cello & Orchestra

I. Allegro  
II. Adagio, ma non troppo  
III. Finale: Allegro moderato

Antonín Leopold Dvořák (1841-1904)

*Yumi Kendall, Cello*

## Pictures At An Exhibition

IX. The Hut on Fowl's Legs (Baba Yaga)  
X. The Great Gate of Kiev

Modest Moussorgsky (1839-1881)

orchestrated Maurice Ravel

# SPRING OPPORTUNITIES



**March 10**  
**Masterclasses**  
**Application Deadline:**  
**February 10**

**April 12**  
**Chamber Recital**  
**Application Deadline:**  
**March 10**

**Strings:** Yumi Kendall, Cello

Philadelphia Orchestra

**Brass:** Brian Olson, Trumpet

Princeton Symphony Orchestra

**Woodwinds:** Zach Feingold, Bassoon

Princeton Symphony Orchestra

**Percussion:** Jeremy Levine

Princeton Symphony Orchestra

**Saxophones:** Stacy Wilson

West Point Band

**Prince of Peace Lutheran Church**

Students form their own chamber ensembles, prepare selections, and submit a video application.

Selected chamber groups, chosen by the YOCJ staff, perform at the April 12 Chamber Music Fundraiser Recital!

# 8pm Concert

## Saxophone Choir

*Dr. Jordan Smith, Conductor*

**Jupiter, from The Planets**

**Gustav Holst (1874-1934)**  
arr. Kramer

**Dusk**

**Steve Bryant (b. 1972)**

**Souvenir de Puerto Rico**

**Louis Moreau Gottschalk  
(1829-1869)**

### **Soprano Saxophone**

Dylan Dell Beni

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Tyler Jacome

Ryan Yang

### **Alto Saxophone**

Reagan Alphonso

Sanjana Bellur

Toorjo Bhattacharya

Kyle Chen

Maximus Chua

Zachary Cruz

Jayden Francis

Rishik Pannala

Aarav Patel

Arya Phirke

Vikunth Sridhar

Akshita Vashisht

Arpan Vijay

Edward Volkov

### **Tenor Saxophone**

Joseph Day, III

Abhiram Palamner

Dan Ruzicka

Sia Satish

Shaiv Vardhan

### **Baritone Saxophone**

Julianne Lunsford

Nicholas Scarpa

Anagha Vinod

### **Bass Saxophone**

Aidan Ni

## Pro Arte Orchestra & Wind Symphony

*Scott Collins & Phillip Pugh, Conductors*

### **Hansel and Gretel**

Sandman's Song

Evening Prayer

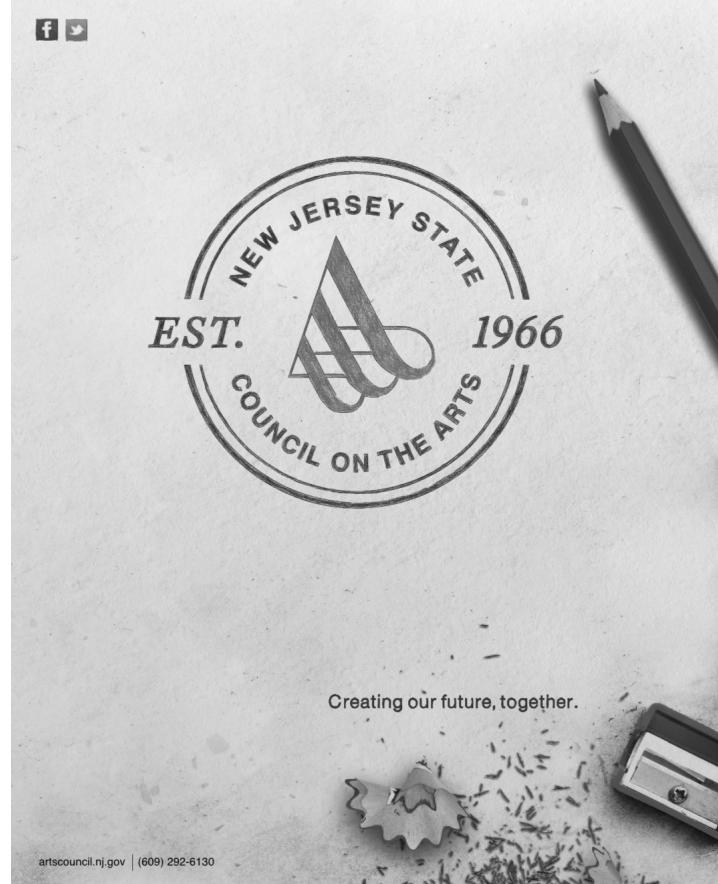
Dream Pantomime

### **Englebert Humperdinck (1854-1921)**

### **March of the Priests, from Athalie Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)**

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