Upcoming Events

Music: Virtuoso Series Concert: Wesley Ferriera, Clarinet	3/9	Organ Recital Hall Organ Recital Hall,	7:30 PM
Music: Brass Workshop & Festival	3/12	IRH, Runyan	ALL DAY
Music: Classical Convergence Series: Joshua Bell	3/12	Lincoln Center	7:30 PM
Music: Brass Festival Concert: Sinister Resonance	3/12	TBD	7:30 PM
Music: Brass Festival Concert: Special Guests Nick Finzer	3/13	Organ Recital Hall	7:30 PM
Music: Brass Festival Concert: Workshop Guest Artists Hatton: Exhibition: <i>Poudre School District K-12 Art Show:</i>	3/14	Organ Recital Hall Clara Hatton Gallery,	1:30 PM
Designs & Images	3/16 - 4/23	Visual Arts Building	10 AM - 4 PM
Avenir: Thursday Lecture Series: Conservation at the New Avenir Museum: The Architects' Perspective	3/26 3/26, 3/27,	Avenir Museum	7 PM
Opera: Idomeneo by W.A. Mozart	3/28	Griffin Concert Hall	7:30 PM
Opera Matinee: Idomeneo by W.A. Mozart	3/29	Griffin Concert Hall	2 PM
Music: Guest Artist Series Concert: Lina Bahn, Violin	3/30	Organ Recital Hall	7:30 p.m.
Dance: Spring Dance Tea	4/1	University Dance Theatre	3:30 PM
Music: Guest Artist Series Concert: Mark Kellogg, Trombone	4/1	Organ Recital Hall North Ballroom,	6 PM
Creative Writing Reading Series: Cheryl Strayed Music: Altitude Ensemble Concert with Special Guest	4/2	Lory Student Center	7:30 PM
Mark Kellogg, Trombone & CSU Faculty John Seesholtz, Baritone	4/2	Organ Recital Hall	7:30 PM
Art: First Friday Extended Hours	4/3	University Art Museum	6 -8 PM
Music: Classical Convergence Series: Classical Jam Music: Virtuoso Series Concert: Jazz Goes Grunge:	4/4	Griffin Concert Hall	7:30 PM
Shilo Stroman, Percussion & Peter Sommer, Saxophone	4/6	Griffin Concert Hall	7:30 PM
Music: Jazz Combos Concert	4/8	Griffin Concert Hall	7:30 PM

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Saturday March 7, 2015 2:00 P.M. Organ Recital Hall

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(1857-1934)

Brook Green Suite Gustav Holst Prelude (1874-1934)

> Air Dance

> > Crystal Pelham, student conductor

Ralph Vaughan Williams Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis (1872-1958)

> Soloists: Pluto String Quartet Adrian Barrera Ramos, first violin Julia Castellanos, second violin Chealsea Bernhardt, viola Tom Holdener, cello

Orchestra II (members of CSU Sinfonia) led by Noelle Bauman:

First Violin Viola Elizabeth Lenz Joy Holz Ben Roth Lydia Oates

Second Violin <u>Cello</u>

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> **Bass** Andrew Miller

Performer Biographies

NOELLE BAUMAN is currently pursuing a Masters degree in Conducting with Maestro Wes Kenney. She received her Bachelors degree in Music Education from CSU in 2012 where she studied conducting with Leslie Stewart. Following graduation, she taught elementary music in Fruita, Colorado where she began an elementary percussion ensemble dedicated to the community through service learning. Noelle is currently the Graduate Assistant Conductor of the CSU Symphony. She has played French horn in the CSU Symphony for six years and last summer participated in the Denver Young Artists Orchestra tour to Italy, Spain and France. Last spring she conducted the CSU Concert Orchestra in Bach's *Brandenburg Concerto* #5.

CRYSTAL PELHAM is a senior majoring in Music Education and is the Student Conductor with the CSU Concert Orchestra this season. Although her primary instrument is bass, she also plays viola, guitar, piano, and flute. Last fall she studied conducting privately with Leslie Stewart and conducted the CSU Concert Orchestra in a movement of the Vanhal *Bass Concerto in D Major*. Last year, Crystal was selected to teach in the Middle School Outreach Ensemble that was organized by Music Education Professor Dr. Erik Johnson and she guest conducted the Ft. Collins High School Sinfonietta Orchestra.

THE PLUTO STRING QUARTET was formed in Fall 2013 with founding members Adrian Barrera Ramos (violin), Julia Castellanos (violin) and Tom Holdener. (cello). This semester, Chealsea Bernhardt joined the quartet as their violist.

ADRIAN BARRERA RAMOS is a native of Mexico and holds a Bachelors Degree from the Conservatorio de Musica y Artes de Celaya. He has performed as a soloist, concertmaster and section player with several orchestras in Mexico and has won many international competitions, both as a soloist and as part of Duo Barrera. Adrian came to CSU in Fall 2013 to pursue a Masters degree in Violin Performance and studies with Dr. Ron François. Last spring, he was one of the finalists in the CSU Symphony's Concerto Competition.

JULIA CASTELLANOS is currently pursuing a Masters degree in Music Therapy at CSU and studies with Dr. Ron Francois. After completing a Bachelor of Arts degree in Violin Performance at the University of New Hampshire in 2009, Julia moved to Baltimore where she worked as a freelance violinist and teacher. While there, she studied with Keng Yuen Tseng at the Peabody Institute and Pamela Hetges of the National Symphony Orchestra. In addition to the Pluto String Quartet, Julia is an active member of the CSU Symphony Orchestra.

CHEALSEA BERNHARDT earned a Bachelor of Music in Viola Performance from the University of Iowa and recently completed a Master of Music Performance degree, with an emphasis on String Pedagogy, where she studied viola with Margaret Miller and pedagogy with Leslie Stewart. Chealsea was a founding member of the Carnero String Quartet which participated in the Orvieto Music Festival in Italy. She is currently in her second year teaching Music Appreciation at CSU and is an active member of the Fort Collins Chamber Music Society.

TOM HOLDENER received his Bachelor of Music degree from the Boston Conservatory in 2012. He is currently a graduate student at CSU where he studies with Barbara Thiem and serves as Principal Cellist of the CSU Symphony. Tom has participated in the Killington Music Festival and Foulger International Music Festival and was an active member of the chamber music scene in Boston. In addition to the Pluto String Quartet, Tom performs regularly with the Fort Collins Chamber Music Society.

LESLIE STEWART was named Conductor of the CSU Concert Orchestra in 2012. She has been Music Director of the Health & Wellness Community Orchestra since it was founded in 2008. In 2013 she was honored with the "Outstanding Service Award" by the CSU College of Liberal Arts for her work with this ensemble.

Ms. Stewart also serves as Director of the CSU String Pedagogy Program and Director of CSU's Summer Master of Music Education degree with a Specialization in Conducting Program. In addition, she teaches violin, coaches chamber music, teaches violin/viola pedagogy and plays violin with a new faculty ensemble, the Verdoro String Trio with Professors Margaret Miller and Barbara Thiem. Ms. Stewart is also a violinist with the Cheyenne Symphony and the Pro Musica Colorado Orchestra and performs frequently with the Ft. Collins Symphony. She recently retired from the Cabrillo Festival of Contemporary Music in Santa Cruz, California after 32 summers as a member of this prestigious orchestra.

Previous academic posts include Old Dominion University where she served as Assistant Professor of Violin and Director of Orchestral Activities beginning in 2000 and received the "Most Inspirational Faculty Member" Award from the College of Arts and Letters in 2006. She has also served on the faculties of Christopher Newport University and the Governor's School for the Arts (both in Virginia), Chowan College in North Carolina and Dominican College of San Rafael in California.

A graduate of Interlochen Arts Academy, Ms. Stewart holds Bachelor and Masters degrees in Music Performance from the University of Southern California. She was a member of the Puerto Rico Symphony and Alabama Symphony before moving to Northern California in 1989 to conduct the Marin Symphony Youth Orchestra and direct the Marin Symphony's Youth Programs.

During her six-year tenure in Marin, she also played violin with numerous professional orchestras including the California Symphony, Fresno Philharmonic, Santa Cruz Symphony, Women's Philharmonic and Marin Symphony. For the next eight years, she served as Music Director and Conductor of the Bay Youth Orchestra of Virginia culminating in the Bay Youth Symphony's performance at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in August 2006. Ms. Stewart frequently guest conducts around the country, most recently the Jeff-10 Honor Orchestra in Arvada, Colorado last fall.

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