NORTH CAROLINA SYMPHONY

Classical Favorites

UNC Health Summerfest

Sat, Jun 15, 2024 | 8pm KOKA BOOTH AMPHITHEATRE, CARY

North Carolina Symphony Michelle Di Russo, conductor

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Overture to The Magic Flute, K. 620

Joseph Bologne, Chevalier de Saint-Georges (1745-1799)

Symphony No. 1 in G Major, Op. 11

I. Allegro

II. Andante

III. Allegro assai

Johann Strauss, Jr. (1824-1899)

Overture to Die Fledermaus

Vincent Youmans (1898-1946) / Arr. Dmitri Shostakovich *Tahiti Trot (Tea for Two)*

Johann Strauss, Jr.

Tritsch-Tratsch-Polka, Op. 214

INTERMISSION

Manuel de Falla (1876-1946) / Arr. Stéphane Chapelier Spanish Dance No. 1 from La Vida Breve

Charles Ives (1874-1954) / Orch. William Schuman

Variations on America

George Gershwin (1898-1937) / Arr. Bill Holcombe Strike Up the Band

Arturo Márquez (b. 1950)

Danzón No. 2











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About the Artists



Michelle Di Russo, conductor

The Lucy Moore Ruffin Chair

As Associate Conductor of the North Carolina Symphony, Michelle Di Russo has been responsible for conducting the Symphony's extensive statewide music education concerts. She has also conducted UNC Health Summerfest performances, Young People's Concerts, Statewide Holiday Pops concerts, and statewide classical subscription performances with the Symphony.

A graceful and powerful force on the podium, Michelle Di Russo is known for her compelling interpretations, passionate musicality, and championing of contemporary music. She was appointed a 2023/24 Dudamel Fellow with the Los Angeles Philharmonic and participated at the Lucerne Festival Academy. An advocate for underrepresented artists, she co-founded the organization Girls Who Conduct to support younger generations of women and non-binary conductors.

Di Russo's artistic journey began in her native country, Argentina, at the age of three with ballet lessons, followed by studies in voice and piano. She has acted on television and onstage. Di Russo holds multiple degrees in Orchestral Conducting from Pontifical Catholic University of Argentina, University of Kentucky (M.M.), and Arizona State University (D.M.A.). She is a former Freeman Conducting Fellow in Chicago Sinfonietta's prestigious Project Inclusion program and a recipient of the Concert Artists Guild's Richard S. Weinert Award.

Previously, Di Russo served as Interim Director of Orchestras at Cornell University, Assistant Conductor for the Phoenix Youth Symphony Orchestra, cover conductor and assistant for The Phoenix Symphony and Arizona Musicfest, and as a conducting fellow at the Cortona Sessions for New Music in Italy. She has also acted as cover conductor for the Minnesota Orchestra, St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, San Diego Symphony, and the National Symphony Orchestra. In the summer of 2022, she served as the Joel Revzen Conducting Fellow at Festival Napa Valley.

The Musicians of the North Carolina Symphony

Carlos Miguel Prieto, Music Director The Maxine and Benjamin Swalin Chair

Grant Llewellyn, Music Director Laureate

Michelle Di Russo, Associate Conductor The Lucy Moore Ruffin Chair

Violin I

Brian Reagin, Concertmaster The Annabelle Lundy Fetterman

Jessica Hung, Associate Concertmaster The Assad Meymandi and Family Chair

Anna Black, Assistant Concertmaster The Anne Heartt Gregory Chair

Karen Strittmatter Galvin, Assistant Concertmaster

Carol Chung*

Emily Rist Glover The Jessie Wyatt Ethridge Chair

Paul Goldsberry The Richard and Joy Cook Chair

Maria Meyer The Tom and Mary Mac **Bradshaw Chair**

Pablo Sánchez Pazos The Phyllis ("Pat") Conrad Wells Chair

Jessica Ryou The James C. Byrd and Family

Erin Zehngut The J. Felix Arnold Chair

To Be Filled The Harvey At-Large Chair

To Be Filled The Governor James B. Hunt, Jr. Chair

Violin II

Jacqueline Saed Wolborsky, Principal The Nancy Finch Wallace Chair

Tiffany Kang, Associate Principal The Blanche Martin Shaw Chair

David Kilbride, Assistant Principal

Qi Cao

Janet Gayer Hall

Chris Jusell*

Oskar Ozolinch

Jeanine Wynton

Viola

Samuel Gold, Principal The Florence Spinks and Charles Jacob Cate and Alma Yondorf and Sylvan Hirschberg Chair

Kurt Tseng, Associate Principal The Betty Ellen Madry Chair

Brian Sherwood, **Assistant Principal**

Petra Berényi

Paul Malcolm

Amy Mason The J. Sidney Kirk Chair

Daniel Moore

Sandra Schwarcz The Samuel H. and Anne Latham Johnson Chair

Cello

Bonnie Thron, Principal The June and Tom Roberg Chair

Elizabeth Beilman, Associate Principal The Sarah Carlyle Herbert Dorroh Chair

Peng Li, Assistant Principal, Anonymously Endowed

Yewon Ahn Anonymously Endowed

David Meyer The Nell Hirschberg Chair

Marc Moskovitz* The William Charles Rankin Chair

Lisa Howard Shaughnessy The Sara Wilson Hodgkins Chair

Nathaniel Yaffe The Secretary of Cultural Resources Betty Ray McCain Chair

Double Bass

Leonid Finkelshteyn, Principal The Martha and Peyton Woodson Chair

Bruce Ridge*, **Associate Principal** The John C. and Margaret P. Parker Chair

Craig Brown The Mark W. McClure Foundation Chair

Erik Dyke The Harllee H. and Pauline G. Jobe Chair

John Spuller* The Dr. and Mrs. Preston H. Gada Chair

Flute

To Be Filled, Principal The Mr. and Mrs. George M. Stephens Chair

Mary E. Boone, **Assistant Principal** The Dr. and Mrs. Shaler Stidham, Jr. Chair

Vaynu Kadiyali* The Jack and Sing Boddie Chair

Piccolo

Vaynu Kadiyali* The Jean Dunn Williams Chair

Oboe

Melanie Wilsden, Principal The Hardison and Stoltze Chair

Joseph Peters, Associate Principal, The Lizette T. Dunham Chair

Rachel Ahn* The Clarence and Alice Aycock Poe Chair

English Horn

Joseph Peters The Bruce and Margaret King Chair

Clarinet

Samuel Almaguer, Principal The Mr. and Mrs. J. Christopher Walker, Il Chair

Sammy Lesnick, Assistant Principal The Kathryn Powell and Green Flavie Cooper Chair

Bassoon

Aaron Apaza, Principal The Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald S. Hudson Chair

Wenmin Zhang, Assistant Principal, The Beethoven Chair

French Horn

Rebekah Daley, Principal The Mary T. McCurdy Chair

Kimberly Van Pelt, Associate Principal The Paul R. Villard and Gabriel Wolf Chair

Corbin Castro* The Roger Colson and Bobbi Lyon Hackett Chair

Gabriel Mairson*
The James Marion Poyner Chair

To Be Filled
The Mary Susan Kirk Fulghum
Chair

Trumpet

Paul Randall, Principal The George Smedes Poyner Chair

Clinton McLendon, Associate Principal The Henry and Martha Zaytoun and Family Chair

Trombone

John Ilika, Principal The Thomas Warwick Steed, Jr. Family Chair

Steven Osborne*, Assistant Principal

Jonathan Randazzo**, Assistant Principal The Frances Armour Bryant Chair

Bass Trombone

Matthew Neff
Anonymously Endowed

Tuba

Seth Horner, Principal The Governor and Mrs. James G. Martin, Jr. Chair

Harp

Anita Burroughs-Price Vonda Darr

Timpani

Colin Hartnett, Principal The Patricia R., Steven T. and George F. Hackney III Chair

Percussion

Richard Motylinski, Principal The Margery and Earl Johnson, Jr. Chair

Rajesh Prasad, Assistant Principal The Abram and Frances Pascher Kanof Chair

Organ

To Be Filled The Albert and Susan Jenkins and Family Organ Chair

Library

Stephanie Wilson, Principal Orchestra Librarian The Mary Colvert and Banks C. Talley Chair

Taylor Troyer, Assistant Orchestra Librarian

*Acting position **Leave of absence

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All string players rotate stands on a periodic basis in each section with the exception of titled players: Principals, Associate Principals, and Assistant Principals.

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The North Carolina Master Chorale is the Resident Chorus of the North Carolina Symphony.

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