GETTYSBURG COLLEGE SUNDERMAN CONSERVATORY ORCHESTRA

presents

Estampas

DR. CÉSAR LEAL, Artistic Director



NOVEMBER 22, 2024 AT 8:00PM

Majestic Theater

PROGRAM

Rhythm DancesB. Balmages (b.1975)
Canción de la Gente
Estampas Mexicanas
I. Ferial II. Danza del Pájaro Sagrado III. Teotlalli
Bésame Mucho
Estrellita
Danza No. 4L. Lamothe (1882-1953)/Arr. Jost

MEET OUR FACULTY



CÉSAR LEAL, CONDUCTOR

Maestro César Leal currently serves as Director of Orchestral Activities at the Sunderman Conservatory in Gettysburg College, where he is also a professor of musicology. A Colombian-born artist and researcher, Leal's scholarly and creative activities often intersect across a diverse array of interests, including music and culture during fin-de-siècle Paris, Franco-American artistic interactions, soundscapes, Jewish patronage and modernism, Latin American cultural identities in the U.S., and race, class, gender relations in music.

As a conductor, Leal has led professional ensembles across the U.S., Panama, Colombia, France, Bulgaria, and Ukraine. The program for his debut with the Panama National Symphony Orchestra in July 2014 featured works from the fin-de-siècle(1880-1913) that bridged European and Latin American musical traditions. He traveled to Panama during the summer of 2019 to serve as director of the Alfredo de Saint-Malo International Music Festival. His program included Berlioz' Symphonie Fantastique and the national premiere of Gavilan's Guaguancó. Maestro Leal is also an adjudicator and international clinician. He has taught conducting masterclasses across the U. S., Austria, and France. A supporter of young artists, Leal has conducted the ILMEA district 7 and collaborated with organizations such as the Midwest Young Artists Program, Loudoun Youth Symphony, and New Jersey Youth Symphony.

Leal's work is frequently interdisciplinary and collaborative. He is the founder and director of The Ensemble of Variable Geometry, a music performance/research organization that has featured projects, such as a full-staged ballet production of Stravinsky's Rite of Spring, Debussy's Afternoon of a Faun, and Chopin's Les Syplhides (in collaboration with Lexington Ballet), Carreño's Golpe en el Diafragma, Berio's O king, and Mahler's Symphony 4. Other interdisciplinary projects have included Guncotton, a collaboration with visual artist Greg Pond, choreographer Banning Bouldin, and soprano Jessica Usherwood that received the 2018 ArtPrize award.

While pursuing his musicologist career, Leal has presented scholarly papers in the U.S., Canada, Greece, Japan, Italy, France, England, Peru, Colombia, and Switzerland. In 2018, Leal was invited by Musikproduktion Hoeflich to join the project Repertoire Explorer Series, for which he produces introductory essays for new editions of works by Parisian composers of fin-de-siècle Paris such as Camille Saint-Saëns, Gabriel Pierné, and Camille Chevillard. His scholarly contributions include "Écouter le Scandale et la Transgression: Les Modèles Révisionnistes de l'Histriographie Musicale Basés sur l'Étude Du Paysage Sonore" (Nîmes: Lucie Éditions, 2015), and "Sponsoring and Constructing Modernism: Jewish Patronage, Entrepreneurs, and Cultural Mediation in Paris during Fin-de-siècle" (forthcoming—Ad Parnasum). Currently, Leal is co-editing a collection of essays entitled "America in the French Imaginary" with musicologist Diana Hallman.

Leal holds a Ph.D. in Musicology from the University of Kentucky, M.M. in instrumental conducting from Florida International University, and a B.M. in Music Performance from Universidad Javeriana in Bogotá. Before his tenure as Director of Orchestral Activities in Gettysburg, Leal served as artistic director and conductor of the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra at the University of the South in Sewanee, TN, where he also served as a member of both the faculty and the artistic advisory committee of the internationally recognized Sewanee Summer Music Festival.

MEET OUR MUSICIANS

Violin 1	Hometown	Major	
Janaa Eborn '24 P	Upper Marlboro, MD	Music	
Josie Eteme '26	Baltimore, MD	Computer Science and Music	
Riley Dunbar '27	Waldorf, MD	Music and Cinema & Media Studies	
Andrew Mathias '27	Bel Air, MD	English and Economics	
Elly Toyoda	Gettysburg, PA	Violin Faculty	
Michael Vaughn	Baltimore, MD	Guest Artist	
Violin 2			
Moxé Meiri '26 P	New York, NY	Music Performance	
Lianne Morrell '25	Boyertown, PA	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	
Christian Teufel '27	Westminster, PA	Music and Physics	
Zack Brooks '24	Hagerstown, MD	English	
Norman Nunnamaker	Gettysburg, PA	Emeritus Professor	
Marjory Serrano-Coyer	Frederick, MD	Guest Artist	
Viola			
Micah Smith '25 P	Rochester, NY	Environmental Science	
Elizabeth Li '25	East Cyme, CT	Environmental Studies	
Ryan Kozak	Gettysburg, PA	Alumn	
Hyejin Kim	Baltimore, MD	Guest Artist	
Cellos			
Brant Miller '27 P	Columbia, SC	Music Performance	
Isaac Master '25	Voorhees, NJ	Music and Psychology	
Jack Chamblee '28	Providence, RI	Undecided	
Beckett Reynolds '27	Bridgewater, CT	History	
Bass			
Tam Rezaei '28 P	Turin, Italy	Music Performance	
Alexis Gonzales '26	Warminster, PA	Music Education	
Flute			
Aris Corman-O'Reilly '27 P	Merrimack, NH	Music Education	
Charlotte Lewis '27	West Orange, NJ	Music Education	

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Grace Dies '28 P Akron, OH Music

Oboe

Penelope Michua-Brooks '25 P New Oxford, PA Music Education

Bassoon

Lynn Moncilovich Gettysburg, PA Bassoon Faculty

Clarinet

James Humphrey '26 P North Caldwell, NJ Music and Mathematical Economics Ezra Burroughs '28 Silver Spring, MD Music and Psychology

Trumpet

Ben Casinelli '26 P Stratford, CT Music and Computer Science
Ella Koup '27 Paoli, PA Music and Business

Horn

Chelsea Finnegan '28 P Ellicott City, MD Music and Computer Science

Luke Gaylor Perry Hall, MD Music and Business

Trombone

Michael Tropp '25 P Bernardsville, NJ Music Education Melanie Flynn '27 West Chester, PA Political Science

Bass Trombone

Jeff Dieteman '28 Douglassville, PA Music Education

Tuba

Ethan Hankins '25 Maryland Music

Piano

Will Leopold '26 Annandale, NJ Music and Biology

Precussion

Jack Bellantone '26 PWyckoff, NJMusic and PsychologyCole Boudreau '28Orrtana, PAMusic PerformanceEvan Hilborn '25Knoxville, TNMusic Education



P = Principal Player

Orchestra Staff: Alexis Gonzales Beckett Reynolds Janaa Eborn Tam Rezaei



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THE SUNDERMAN CONSERVATORY —— UPCOMING EVENTS ——

November 23 • 8pm Jazz Combo Paul Recital Hall

December 5 • 6:30pm Piano Citizens Recital Paul Recital Hall

December 6 • 8pm Choir Concert Christ Chapel

