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## Oklahoma City Symphonic Band

**Dr. Mark G. Belcik, Conductor**

## Transcriptions!

**Thursday, February 23, 2017**

**7:30pm**

**Santa Fe High School**

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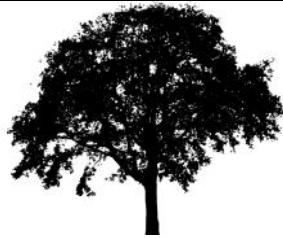
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Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 7:30pm

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Dr. Mark G. Belcik is the Associate Dean of the Wanda L Bass School of Music at Oklahoma City University, a position he has held since 2001. He holds degrees in Music Education from The University of Michigan, a Master's in Horn Performance from The University of Oklahoma and the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Instrumental Conducting from The University of Texas at Austin. Dr. Belcik's teaching experiences include appointments at the University of Texas at Austin, where he

was the Associate Director of the Longhorn Band, the University of New Mexico, Valdosta State University, Bear Creek High School (CO) and Ardmore High School (OK). His high school bands have earned national recognition and won sweepstakes awards in Oklahoma and Colorado. Dr. Belcik is an active clinician, judge and guest conductor. He has conducted All State and Honor Bands in several states and has presented clinics at State, Regional and National Conventions. He currently serves as the Principal Conductor and Music Director of the Oklahoma City Symphonic Band, and is past President of the Oklahoma Association of Music Schools. He is on the board of the Oklahoma Youth Orchestra and Oklahoma Concert Band Foundation.



A very special thank you from everyone in the Oklahoma City Symphonic Band to Ms. Sarah Neely and the Santa Fe High School band program for hosting this concert and supporting community music.

## Oklahoma City Symphonic Band

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Glenda Gatz \*  
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Marilyn Bonds  
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Ivy Douglas  
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DeLee Francis \*  
Wendy Fruendt  
Glenda Gatz \*  
Sonic Liebler  
Erika Olinger \*  
Vicki Repetto  
Katy Rich  
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Lacey Fisher  
Ned Hughes  
Bonnie Jump  
Erin Peden  
Clarinet  
Frances Ayres  
Catherine Birchall  
Warren Cadwell \*  
Carlos Castro  
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Cyndi Gustafson  
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Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 7:30pm

March and Procession of Bacchus

Leo Delibes

Arranged by Eric Osterling

Prelude Op 34 #14

Dmitry Shostakovich

Transcribed by H. Robert Reynolds

Recitation Book for Saxophone Quartet Movement V

David Maslanka

Santa Fe High School Saxophone Quartet

Joezie Cool, soprano Nathan Butler, alto

Grayson Bryant, tenor Jacob Vanmiegheghem, bari

Enigma Variations Op 36

Edward Elgar

Theme

Transcribed by Earl Slocum

Variation I (C.A.E.)

Variation II (W.M.B. IV)

Variation III (R.P.A. V)

Variation IV (G.R.S. XI)

Variation V (Nimrod IX)

Variation VI Finale (E.D.U. XIV)

Intermission

March of the Princesses

Jules Massenet

Transcribed by Fred Junkin

Parade of the Charioteers

Miklos Rozsa

Arranged by Robert Hawkins

Two Bagatelles

Alfred Reed

I. Cantado II. Scherzando

Santa Fe High School Trombone Quartet

Trey Cole, Jacob Courtney, Maya Cook, Brian To

The King and I Selections

Richard Rodgers & Oscar Hammerstein II

Revised and Adapted by Mark Rogers

Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral from "Lohengrin"

Richard Wagner

Transcribed by Lucien Cailliet

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**March and Procession of Bacchus (1876)** Leo Delibes (1826-1891) was born in France. Beginning in 1847, he studied composition at the Paris Conservatoire. A year after, he began taking voice lessons, though his talent became evident as a much better organist. He held positions as a rehearsal accompanist, a chorus master at the Theatre Lyrique, as second chorus master at the Paris Opera (in 1864), and as organist at Saint-Pierre-de-Chailot (1865-71). He is best known for his operettas and operas. This composition is from his opera *Sylvia-La nymphe de Diane*. In the story, Amyntas loves Sylvia, one of Diana's nymphs, but he has to submit to various tests before winning her. The March opens with pompous brass flourishes. The music then speeds up marking the beginning of reveling, and then moves to a slow melody marking the arrival of Bacchus, the wine-drinking god. It finishes in a lively fashion representing the continued pranks of the frenzied crowd. Arranger Eric Osterling (1926-2005) was an music educator and director of music of Portland (CT) public schools for 34 years, and later as professor of music at Florida Southern College. An ASCAP award-winner writer, his marches and concert band arrangements are widely performed by all levels of wind bands.



**Prelude (ca. 1950s)** Dmitri Shostakovich (1906-1975) was one of the foremost 20<sup>th</sup> century Russian composers. Although he showed no interest in music until starting piano lessons with his mother at the age of 9, he was playing simple classics within a month. He entered the Petrograd Conservatory in 1919 as a piano performance and composition student. The 1926 premiere of his "First Symphony" and its success abroad labeled him as the leading young composer in Russia after the 1917 Revolution. "Prelude", Opus 34.

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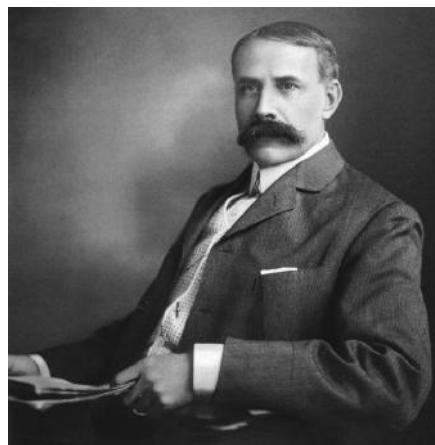
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No. 14 in E-flat Minor, was written originally for the piano, and transcribed by H. Robert Reynolds, in 1988. After 26 years as director of Bands and musical studies at the U. of Michigan, Reynolds is now principal conductor of the wind ensembles in the Thornton School of Music at U. of Southern Cal. He was the guest conductor for the 1976 Oklahoma All State Honor Band in our city. He is well known for his transcriptions from other mediums for wind bands. "Prelude" opens with a calm but strong chordal statement, with an almost sinister sense, and builds toward a grand climax. And then, the music quickly returns to the quiet mood of the beginning. This piece achieves the feeling of an expansive and lengthy composition in *only* 36 measures.



### **Enigma Variations: (1965)**

One of the greatest British composers Edward Elgar (1857-1934) came from a musical family. At an early age, he learned to play the violin, organ, as well as other instruments—a performer and later a conductor. Elgar was a prolific composer of choral, orchestral, and chamber works, and was a master of orchestration. His most popular piece is "Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1", which epitomized the Edwardian era in British history. Elgar had the ability to combine nobility and grandeur of utterance with a popular style in his large-scale works.

Originally written for orchestra 1899, the "Variations on an Original Theme ("Enigma") op. 36, has become a staple of the orchestral repertoire. So too, now transcribed for concert wind band, it is a show piece for wind ensembles. Earl Slocum (1902-1994) musician, teacher, and conductor, arranged this version of Theme and 6 of the total 14 Variations in 1965. Elgar explained that "...the variations have amused me because I've labeled 'em with the nicknames of particular friends....the "enigma" however, is a mystery for the ages. I will not explain."



#### **March of the Princesses, from Cinderella (1894)**

French composer Jules Massenet (1842-1912) wrote this piece for a ballet scene in Act II, as the procession enters the Royal Hall. The opera's first performance was an instant success in 1899 at the Opera-Comique of Paris. Artistically arranged for concert band by Fred Junkin (1927-), the piece maintains the lightness of the orchestral score, and uses a great sonority of the full band in the tutti sections. Junkin served as Director of Bands and Supervisor of Music in Victoria, TX for 31 years. A graduate with Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Music Education from U. of Texas, his bands won many State contests and honors. Junkin served as Texas Bandmaster Association president and was selected Texas Bandmaster of the Year in 1984. Massenet composed 25 operas and also oratorios, ballets, and orchestral works. He studied at the Paris Conservatory of Music and achieved great success as a teacher, influencing an entire generation of French composers.



#### **Parade of the Charioteers (1959)** from the M-G-M, William Wyler presentation of "Ben-Hur".

One recent reviewer wrote: "This epic has as many fanfares as a John Williams "Star Wars" soundtrack, substituting chariots for Pod races and Imperial Rome for Galactic Empires, both with

their Imperial marches." Composer Miklos Rosza (1907-1995) was a Hungarian composer trained in Germany, and took up residence in the U.S., becoming a citizen in 1946. Best known for his nearly 100 film scores, he also wrote concert music as well. His pianist mother saw and encouraged his talent. An uncle, a violinist with the Budapest Opera, gave 5-year-old Miklos a violin. By age 8, he was performing in public and composing. He was introduced to film music in 1934, moved to Hollywood, and instantly began a long career writing for the major movie studios. One of his most famous pieces from his most successful film orchestral score "Ben-Hur" is a fine example of the composer improvising authentic Roman-era music in epic style. An opening fanfare from the brass builds in intensity as the players sound ever shortening, quickening notes, accompanying the image of charioteers assembling for the parade. The second half of the piece, done to march tempo, heightens the excitement of the spectacle. Arranger Robert Hawkins was director of bands and professor of music for Western State U of Colorado and later at More-

## About the Band...

The Oklahoma City Symphonic Band's mission is to provide a challenging and enriching musical experience for its members, to offer quality concerts for the community, and to inspire future generations of musicians.

The Oklahoma City Symphonic Band is comprised of approximately one hundred professional and amateur musicians. This historic band has performed in the Oklahoma City area for decades. The members are a cross-section of the community made up of all different professions. They are musicians who find that the band gives them a chance to grow musically.

Rehearsals are held every Tuesday evening throughout the year with the exception of May and August. The Oklahoma City Symphonic Band performs several concerts at a variety of venues including high schools, universities, churches and area parks and has hosted several talented composers as guest clinicians over the years, including Patrick Sheridan in 2014, Dr. Frank Ticheli in 2008, Dr. Jack Stamp in 2006 and Dr. John Zdechlik in 2003. The organization hosts an annual Young Artist Competition for high school students. The students compete by audition for the opportunity to perform with the band and to win a cash prize.

Members volunteer for many positions in the band and on the board of directors for the Foundation to help make the rehearsals and concerts the best experience possible. Oklahoma City Symphonic Band members have found gratification in having the band as an outlet to perform as well as to develop camaraderie with their peers. It is the perfect example of an opportunity for a lifelong continuing education in music.

We welcome new members. Due to the success and growth of our band, we have limits on instrumentation in each section but if a section is full, we will place your name on a waiting list. Regardless of whether there is an opening or not, we offer the option to sit in with the band as a guest for two rehearsals as long as it is not immediately preceding a concert. Our summer season is open to everyone.

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head State College (MD) He has guest conductor of the Boston Pops and the U.S. Navy Band. He specialized in arrangement of movie scores for wind ensembles.



**The King and I Selection (2002)** was Rodgers and Hammerstein's 5<sup>th</sup> Broadway show, first performed on March 29, 1951, and closed after 1,246 performances. It has had long runs in theatres throughout the world. Many Broadway revivals and national have continued to thrilled the crowds! Once again the show is traveling the U.S. Based on the classic 1944 novel by Margaret Landon, *Anna and the King of Siam*, Lyricist Richard Rodgers (1902-

1979) and Oscar Hammerstein II (1895-1960) worked their magic and the song "Whistle a Happy Tune" stays in one's head throughout a lifetime. American composer, conductor, and arranger Robert Russell Bennett (1894-1981) was born into a musical family in Kansas City, MO. He studied harmony, counterpoint with outstanding teachers in Berlin, Paris, and London. Beginning in the 1920, Bennett scored over 300 Broadway musicals during 40-year period, including works of Jerome Kern, Cole Porter, George Gershwin, and Frederick Loewe. His rich well-balanced arrangements established the Broadway musical "sound" of the 1940s, 50s, and 60s.



**Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral**, from the opera "Lohengrin" (1850), by the German Richard Wagner (1813-1883). Drawing inspiration from Beethoven and Mozart, and his familiarity with theater, Wagner set out to not just compose operas, but bring the genre to a whole new level. The legend of the Holy Grail is the inspiration for the opera "Lohengrin"; its music is overflowing with medieval color and has an ageless elegance that has made this piece a repertoire standard. French-American composer Lucien Cailliet (1991-1985) has transcribed many classics from orchestral scores to wind ensembles and concert bands. In the operatic presentation, features a double chorus adds its song of solemn praise to that of the orchestra. In Cailliet's transcription for band (1938) the instrumental solo voices of the original are paralleled and the choral voices are echoed in the rich instrumental texture, recreating all the luxuriant Wagnerian color, drama, pageantry, power, and mysticism of the original work--a favorite of concert band programming.

Sonie Liebler, program notes



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