

## The Worcester Organ Concert Series

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# Symphonic Fusion

## The Organ in Symphonic Repertoire

Worcester Youth Symphony Orchestra - Jonathan Brennand, Music Director & Conductor

with Sarah Kim, piano • Isabelle Zhao, organ • Sarah Callinan, soprano • Will Sherwood, organ

**Friday, March 2, 2018 7:00 PM**

### program

Please find **concert program notes** on your mobile device at: [www.WorcAGO.org](http://www.WorcAGO.org) (free wi-fi PW: **mhall1857**)

**Romeo & Juliet Fantasy** TH42

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (Russian, 1840-1893)

**Prelude in the Classic Style**

Gordon Young (American, 1919-1998)

Isabelle Zhao, organ

**Rhapsody in Blue**

George Gershwin (American, 1898-1937)

Sarah Kim, piano

### intermission

**The Night is Calm and Cloudless** from *The Golden Legend*

Sir Arthur Sullivan (British, 1842-1900)

Sarah Callinan, soprano

**Carillon de Longpont** Op 18

Louis Vierne (French, 1870-1937)

Will Sherwood, organ

**Symphony #3 in C minor** Op 78 (the "Organ" Symphony)

Camille Saint-Saëns (French, 1835-1921)

2. Maestoso – Allegro

### UPCOMING CONCERTS

**Wednesday, April 18** Noon • FREE • Mechanics Hall Worcester Organ Series - **Mark Dwyer, organist**

Program: Bach, Mendelssohn, Brahms

**Saturday, April 22 8PM** Music Worcester and WorcAGO present **Cameron Carpenter**, organist, in concert

**COURT HILL MUSIC FESTIVAL April 27-May 1** First Unitarian, 90 Main St - co-sponsored by Worcester AGO

(more information for 8 events in the series: [www.FirstUMusic.com](http://www.FirstUMusic.com))

**MECHANICS HALL MUSIC FESTIVAL Aug 9-15** - co-sponsored by Worcester AGO

*Cosmic Dualities* (2 pianos, 2 trumpets, 4 organ keyboards) • *Imperio in Stereo* (duo pianos with organ acct.)

*Seele Musicale* Chamber Ensemble • Peter Krasinski (concert & silent film) • Liana Paniyeva (piano)

Young Artist Showcase: Wesley Hall (organ)



# SYMPHONIC FUSION

## Worcester Youth Symphony Orchestra

Jonathan Brennand, Music Director & Conductor  
Christine Carter, General Manager  
Collin Myers, Stage Manager

Founded in 1947, **The Worcester Youth Orchestras** (WYO) have offered musical training, orchestral experiences and fostered life long friendships for aspiring young musicians in Central Massachusetts.

WYO's membership draws from over 60 towns and 72 schools in Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island, representing the finest talent from public, private and community music school programs. WYO is the third oldest youth orchestra in the country and has a long history of masterful performances at Mechanics Hall, The AUD, The DCU, Tuckerman Hall, Alden Hall, and Hanover Theatre as well as some of finest concert halls throughout the country. Under the direction of Jonathan Brennand, WYO has grown during the last five years from one orchestra to four orchestras, a jazz program, wind ensemble, clarinet & flute choir and honors chamber music program. The program serves more than 200 students and draws an annual audience of 5,000+ each season. WYO is committed to community outreach and partnerships and presents 25-30 concerts each year in a variety of venues and locations in Greater Worcester, thus enriching the cultural life of the area.

Born and raised in Middlesex, England, **Jonathan Brennand's** conducting has been praised by the Cape Cod Times for its "precision and vitality". He is in his 6th season with the Worcester Youth Orchestras serving as Artistic and Executive Director. He conducts the WY Symphony Orchestra & Baroque Orchestra and oversees the entire WYO program including ensembles and more than more than 15 faculty members and staff. He enters his 13th season with College Light Opera Company this summer, serving as Principal Conductor and Music Director. In addition he is Music Director & Conductor of the Farmington Valley Symphony Orchestra (CT) and conducts a 5-concert subscription series each season. Jonathan maintains an active guest conducting schedule throughout the Northeast and regularly appears at NYSSMA, MMEA, and CMEA.

**Isabelle Zhao** is a 6th grader at the Sherwood Middle School in Shrewsbury MA. She is currently studying piano with Ms. Olga Rogach, and organ with Mr. Brett Maguire. She also performs on cello in the school orchestra. Isabelle has been studying piano since 2014 and organ since 2016 with Mr. Malcolm Halliday. Prior to that, she began learning piano with Miss Karen in 2012, at the age of 6. She is a recipient of Worcester AGO's scholarship in 2016 and in 2017. Isabelle is excited to play the organ in Mechanics Hall, with hopes that her performance will bring joy to her audience.

As a member of Worcester Youth Symphony Orchestra since 2014, **Selin (Sarah) Kim** is honored to perform as the featured piano soloist. Born and raised in Seoul, South Korea, Sarah is an international student attending Holy Name High School in Worcester where she serves as the principal accompanist for band and chorus, sings in the Women's Choir, and plays vibes in their award winning Jazz Ensemble. Upon graduation in 2018, given her passion and love for music, Sarah plans on pursuing a career in Music Education. Although fortunate to have played at Mechanics Hall on many occasions, this will be Sarah's first performance as soloist. Sarah hopes her performance will please the ears and bring joy to the hearts of the audience.



**Will Sherwood** is the Artistic Director for the Mechanics Hall Worcester Organ Concert Series and is Principal Organist at Mechanics Hall. He is also Artistic Director for the Court Hill Music Festival and Mechanics Hall Music Festival. He has been Director of Music & Organist at First Unitarian for almost 35 years and is Dean of Worcester AGO. He has appeared in concert at Mechanics Hall, as well as guest artist with the Boston Pops, and on concert tour in Europe and the U.S. For thirty years, he was a Sr. Engineering Manager at Intel (formerly Digital/DEC). Since corporate retirement, he is CTO & Owner of Sherwood Hosting, providing web hosting, database, web, & graphic design (including this program), and commercial photography.



### Worcester Youth Symphony

#### Violin 1

Jaewon Pang, *Concertmaster*  
*Artistic Director's Chair*  
Elisabeth Brehany  
*Doris Olive Watling Memorial Chair*  
Michael Crummett  
*Marilyn A. Howard Memorial Chair*  
Sullivan Barthel  
Liam Gates  
Liam Neal Reilly

#### Violin 2

Jolina McConville,\* *Co-Principal*  
*Howard Family Chair*  
Angelina Howard,\* *Co-Principal*  
*Crummet Family Chair*  
Sunny Huang  
Olivia Mathot  
Vidyut Veedgav  
Michelle Kim  
Victoria Villamil  
Diyala Bera

#### Viola

Jonathan Kelly, *Co-Principal*  
*Rodney J. Ferris Chair*  
Daniel Ramirez, *Co-Principal*  
*Natalie Ferris Memorial Chair*  
Alyshia Mitchell  
Brendan Mathot\*  
John Kelly  
Shanthni Ravindrababu

#### Cello

Patrick Chatham,\* *Principal*  
*Fuller Family Automotive Chair*  
Sophie Geremia  
Natalie Ward  
Emily Flavin  
Ava Johnson  
Meghan Connolly

#### Bass

Jim Brehany, *WYO Board Member*

#### Flute

Merry Qian,\*+ *Principal*  
*Board of Directors Chair*  
Lillian Wright, *Assistant Principal*  
*Jeppson Memorial Chair*  
Leah Missal  
Erin Newhall

#### Oboe

Xiaoying Zheng,\* *Principal*  
*Board of Directors Chair*  
Savant Liu  
Zackary Entwistle, *English Horn*

#### Clarinet

Christian Parent, *Co-Principal*  
*Claire Murphy Memorial Chair*  
Hannah Cherry,\* *Co-Principal*  
Brian Gionet, *Principal 2nd*  
Daniel Ma  
Gaurav Savant  
Amanda Tadros

#### Bass Clarinet

Adon Osimo, *Principal*  
*George I. Alden Chair*  
Zachary Lin

#### Bassoon

Jonathan Marchant,\* *Principal*  
*Friend of WYO Chair*  
Hazelyn Aroian

#### French Horn

Oved Rico,\*+ *Principal*  
*Colwell-Snyder Chair*  
Paxton Dichele  
*Patricia Bunce Stanley Memorial Chair*  
Patrick O'Neil  
*Dr. Satya Mitra Chair*  
Jeffrey Wilcox  
Kevin Dai  
Lucy Colwell, *WYO Faculty*

#### Trumpet

Jack Connor, *Principal*  
*Bruce and Maria Hopper Chair*  
Rebecca Fitton  
Gabriel Cohen  
Ryan Garabedian

#### Trombone

Tyler Kinsky, *Principal*  
*Anonymous Friend of WYO Chair*  
Daniel Moreau  
Christopher Rene, *WPI student*

#### Tuba

Alex Kerr, *Principal*

#### Timpani

Lauren Girouard,+ *Principal*  
*Lynn Freeman & Family Chair*

#### Percussion

Alicia Geer, *Sectional Leader*  
*Bartholomew & Company, Inc Chair*  
Sarah Kim  
*Copeland-Brosnan Chair*  
Hailee Sung

#### Piano

Sarah Kim, *Principal*

#### Harp

Tess O'Leary

#### Tenor Sax

Nolan Slate\*\*

#### Alto Sax

Andrew Wade\*\*  
Nathan Kadria\*\*

\*Honors Program Student  
+Participating in All-State Festival  
\*\*WY Jazz Program Members

**Worcester Organ Concerts** are presented by Mechanics Hall and the Worcester Chapter of the American Guild of Organists to showcase the magnificent 1864 Hook Organ - also known as The Worcester Organ - and talented organists and musical artists from New England and beyond. Programming includes organ performance, silent films and multimedia performances.

**American organ builders Elias and George Hook** constructed the 52-stop, 3,504- pipe instrument in 1864. It is the oldest unaltered four-keyboard pipe organ in the Western Hemisphere located at its installation site. Restored in 1982 and refurbished in 2013, the Hook Organ has become one of the most popular and respected organs in the United States.

