

Yale SCHOOL OF MUSIC

José García-León, Dean

MUSIC IN SCHOOLS INITIATIVE

All-City Ensembles Spring Concert Series

IN MEMORY OF

Robert J. Smith '57

Concert I

Saturday, May 9, 2026 | 10:00 a.m. | Woolsey Hall

ALL-CITY CHOIR

Charles H. Gabriel
1856–1932
arr. Kenneth Padden,
adapt. Rollo Dilworth

I Sing Because I'm Happy

Hyunju Yang, *conductor*
Jungmin Youn, *collaborative pianist*

Mary Lynn Lightfoot
b. 1952

And This Shall Be For Music

Jacquelyn DiMarco-Antonucci, *conductor*
Jungmin Youn, *collaborative pianist*

Greg Gilpin
b. 1964

Why We Sing

Danielle Storey-Carson, *conductor*
Edenia Maureen, *collaborative pianist*

Roger Emerson
b. 1950

Gloria! Gloria!

Meaghan Sheehan, *conductor*
Jungmin Youn, *collaborative pianist*

Program *cont.*

Cy Coleman
1929–2004
arr. Roger Emerson

Rhythm of Life

Jaminda Blackmon, *conductor*
Edenia Maureen, *collaborative pianist*

ALL-CITY CAMERATA

arr. Richard Gordon

Mexican Suite Petite

- I. Fiesta
- II. Duérmete Niño Lindo (Lullaby)

Jennifer Quian Lopez, *conductor*

Brian Balmages
b. 1975

Mind Games

Josué Alfaro Mora, *conductor*

arr. Michael Story
b. 1956

Ghost Ship (Traditional Sea Shanty)

Henry Lugo, *conductor*

ALL-CITY STRING ORCHESTRA

Edward Elgar
1857–1934
arr. Todd Parrish

Enigma Variations

Henry Lugo, *conductor*

Arcangelo Corelli
1653–1713
arr. Caryn Wiegand
Neidhold

La Folia

Megan Corcoran, Legend Dyer, Juan García, Aidan Jordan,
Neri Veliz, Kihoon Jung, *soloists*
Natalie Jimenez-Lara, *conductor*

José White
1835–1918
arr. Robert Debbaut

La Bella Cubana

Jennifer Quian Lopez, *conductor*

EJAE, Mark Sonnenblick,
IDO, 24 & Teddy Park
arr. Paul Murtha

Golden

Natalie Jimenez-Lara, *conductor*

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Concert II

Saturday, May 9, 2026 | 1:00 p.m. | Woolsey Hall

ALL-CITY SYMPHONIC BAND

John Williams
b. 1932
arr. Michael Story

The Star Wars Saga
Bryan Carrera, *conductor*

John Lennon and Paul
McCartney
arr. Robert Longfield

Hey Jude
Eliel Martinez, *conductor*

Victoriano Valencia
b. 1970

Chande
Rubén Rodríguez, *conductor*

ALL-CITY GUITAR

Michael Giacchino
b. 1967
arr. Harry Ngo

Married Life
Stuff We Did

Le Festin

Knonos Unveiled

Sebastián Yatra
b. 1994
arr. Harry Ngo

Dos Oruguitas

Randy Newman
b. 1943
arr. Harry Ngo

You've Got a Friend in Me

Phil Collins
b. 1951
arr. Harry Ngo

You'll Be in My Heart

ALL-CITY WIND ENSEMBLE

Freddie Mercury
1946–1991
arr. Philip Sparke

Bohemian Rhapsody

Eliel Martinez, *conductor*

Victoriano Valencia
b. 1970

Danzón

Rubén Rodríguez, *conductor*

Randall D. Standridge
b. 1976

The Great Rubber Chicken Galop

Bryan Carrera, *conductor*

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Rosters

All-City Choir

Abigail Carreno Velez, *alto*
Abigail Gonzalez, *soprano*
Andrés Layedra, *soprano*
Ariana Biggs, *soprano*
Carter Poole, *alto*
Daniela Douti, *soprano*
Ediamly Ortega, *alto*
Eliana Torres, *soprano*
Jeziel Martínez, *soprano*
Jude Canton, *alto*
Katerina Kurfess, *soprano*
Katerine Chavarria Pina, *soprano*
Maeve Finn, *soprano*
Maia Tohom Cruz, *soprano*
Malikia Samuel, *soprano*
Melanie Tohom Cruz, *soprano*
Mia Armenta, *soprano*
Mikhail Garayua, *alto*
Molly Elicker, *alto*
Naomi Johnson, *alto*
Nicole Corte, *soprano*
Ny'kyrie Cruz, *alto*
Nykolys Pittman Cruz, *alto*
Olivia Aparicio, *alto*
Penelope Stewart, *soprano*
Philip Cui, *alto*
Raina Bellamy, *soprano*
Ramona Kidwell, *soprano*
Sara Agustin-Rojas, *alto*
Scarlett Alexis, *alto*
Sebastian Lawless, *soprano*
Sirat Gonzales, *alto*
Victor Russell, *alto*
Victoria Mulbah, *soprano*

All-City Camerata

VIOLIN I
Edward Foran-Cruz

VIOLIN II
Lisandi Monter
Olivia Pickett
Yamilet Sampedro

CELLO
Adalia Benoit
Astrid Calderón
Cheniel Giovanni Beniquez
Johana Sebastian
Paulina Borowski
Tatsiana Zotava

All-City String Orchestra

VIOLIN I
Aidan Jordan
Emmett Cantonwine
Joseph Foran-Cruz
Kihoon Jung

VIOLIN II
Jay'den Moore
Naomi Ferrell
Selah Ufott
Tahlia Glover

VIOLA
Bryan Nohpal
Emily Rodriguez
Legend Dyer
Neri Veliz

CELLO
Megan Corcoran

BASS

Juan García
Zakai Henderson

All-City Symphonic Band

FLUTE

Elizabeth Chile
Luciana Pabana
Maria Luna
Sophia Amell-Reyes

OBOE

Dylan Urbina

CLARINET

Cyra Osler
Itzamal Oliveras
Kihoon Jung
Noreishka Rivera
Olivia Diaz
Philip Hău
William Garzon

BASS CLARINET

Yaretzi Ramos-Melendez

BASSOON

Allie Desfoses

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Deja Allen
Domenica Scarlet Leon
Sumba
Ethan Reyes
Gabriela Pérez

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Anthony Akambe

TRUMPET

Adrian García
Dior Frasier
Ian Escobar Muj
Jennilee Camacho
Ronny Berrezueta
Si-Won Park
Souparno Sutradhar
Thinley Tashishar
Yosnell Piscil

TROMBONE

Kian Ortega
Rachel Collins

PERCUSSION

Antonio Rivera
Braydon Foster
Daniel Roosien
Justin Hâu
Mateo Lopez Stevens
Tendai Georges

All-City Guitar

Alejandro Carreno Velez
Christian Ayapantecatl
Papalotzi
Dhruva Garani
Joseph Foran-Cruz
Keyli Chavarria

All-City Wind Ensemble

FLUTE

Kenzie Harsono
Lucy Coe
Maria Luna

CLARINET

Albert Wang
Anna Zempoaltecatl
Igeun Kim
Karita Asael
Lisbeth Sartillo
Mariana Alvarez
Yanileth Silva

BASSOON

Anthony Akambe
ALTO SAXOPHONE
Scarlett Ardon

BARITONE SAXOPHONE

Joshua Flores
Katerina Talbert-Slagle

TRUMPET

Alan Armenta
Caleb Benoit
Canon Brown
Christian Ayapantecatl
Papalotzi
Gregorio Ordaz
Irving Ortiz Ruiz
Naiden Cervantes

TROMBONE

Eamon Borné-Brennan
Gabrielle Hilton
Kian Ortega
Sam Kaplan-Fay

PERCUSSION

Jennifer Sebastian
Santiago Hernandez
Sun Woon Kim
Vincent Foster

Teachers & Teaching Artists

All-City Choir

Danielle Storey-Carson,
NHPS teacher

Edenia Maureen, *piano*,
'27MM

Hyun-Ju Yang, *choral
conducting*, '26MM

Jacqui DiMarco-Antonucci,
NHPS teacher

Jaminda Blackmon, NHPS
teacher

Jungmin Youn, MISI
collaborative pianist

Meaghan Sheehan, NHPS
teacher

Sophie Dvorak, Yale College

All-City Camerata

Dylan Kinneavy, *cello*,
'26MM

Henry Lugo, NHPS teacher

Leo Kubota, *cello*, '27 BM/
MM

Leona Liu, *violin*, '27MM

Logan Lee, *bass*, '27MM

Sory Park, *violin*, Post
Graduate Fellow

Yihan Xue, *viola*, '27MM

Monitor: Ashley Yoon,
'27MM

Manager: Josué Alfaro
Mora, '26MMA

All-City String Orchestra

Caroline Smoak, *violin*,
'27MM

Henry Lugo, NHPS teacher
Josué Alfaro Mora, *bass*,
'26MMA

Miranda Werner, *viola*,
'26MM

Natalie Jimenez-Lara,
NHPS teacher

Shengyu Meng, *cello*, '27MM

Sory Park, *violin*, Post
Graduate Fellow

Monitor: Edenia Maureen,
'27MM

Manager: Skyler Lee, '27MM

All-City Symphonic Band

Chad Beebe, *percussion*, Post
Graduate Fellow

Emma Fuller, *bassoon*,
'26MM

Eszter Pokai, *clarinet*, '27MM

Ethan Wood, *trumpet*,
'27MM

Jacob Rose, *trumpet*, '26MM

Jesús Cortés-Sánchez, MISI
alumni

Jolie Fitch, *flute*, '26MM

Juan Pedro Espinosa
Monteros, *clarinet*, '26MM

Judy Hu, *percussion*, '26MM
Laressa Winters, *bassoon*,
'26MM

Madelyn Stoklosa, *trombone*,
'27MM

Monitor: Alex Swers, '26MM

Manager: Mikal Martin,
'26MM

All-City Guitar

Brandon Wong, '26MM

Eliel Martinez, NHPS
teacher

Harry Ngo, Postgraduate
Fellow

Roy Heng, '27MM

All-City Wind Ensemble

Alex Swers, *clarinet*, '26MM

Bryan Carrera, NHPS
teacher & MISI alumni

Chad Beebe, *percussion*, Post
Graduate Fellow

Eliel Martinez, NHPS
teacher

Emma Fuller, *bassoon*, '26MM

Jesús Cortés-Sánchez, MISI
alumni

Jon-Michael Taylor, *trumpet*,
'26MM

Juan Pedro Espinosa
Monteros, *clarinet*, '26MM

Judy Hu, *percussion*, '26MM
Madelyn Stoklosa, *trombone*,

'27MM

Mikal Martin, *tuba &
euphonium*, '26MM

Naomi Wharry, *trombone*,
'26MM

Rafael Mendez, *flute*, '26MM
Manager: Jolie Fitch, '26MM

Schools Represented

Barack H. Obama Magnet University School
Benjamin Jepson Magnet School
Betsy Ross Arts & Design Academy
Bishop Woods Architecture & Design Magnet School
Celentano Biotech, Health and Medical Magnet School
Conte-West Hills School
Cooperative Arts & Humanities High School
East Rock Community and Cultural Studies Magnet School
Edgewood School
Elm City Montessori
Engineering & Science University Magnet School
Fair Haven School
Family Academy of Multilingual Exploration
High School in the Community
Hill Regional Career High School
James Hillhouse High School
John C. Daniels School of International Communication
John S. Martinez Sea & Sky STEM Magnet School
King-Robinson Interdistrict Magnet School
L.W. Beecher Museum School of Arts & Sciences Interdistrict Magnet
Lincoln-Bassett School
Mauro-Sheridan Science, Technology and Communications School
Nathan Hale School
Neighborhood Music School
New Haven Academy Magnet
Roberto Clemente Leadership Academy
Ross Woodward Classical Studies School
Sound School
Wilbur Cross High School
Worthington Hooker School

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Yale College Class of 1957, whose generosity and support make the Music in Schools Initiative possible

Robert (Bob) J. Smith

Yale College Class of 1957

Trombonist and president of the Yale Band, Bob was enthusiastic about the Music in Schools Initiative, and in his retirement years spent time volunteering at Lincoln Bassett School. In 2019, he received a Cultural Leadership Citation for his contributions to the program.

The Music in Schools Initiative remains deeply grateful to Bob and his classmates for their generous contributions to the program.

Music In Schools Initiative

In keeping with the Yale School of Music's commitment to cultural leadership and service to society, the Music in Schools Initiative was established in 2007 to explore how music can be used as a means of social change in the city of New Haven and beyond.

Partnership with New Haven Public Schools

In partnership with New Haven Public Schools, our local activities are the practical core of the Initiative. They enhance music opportunities for New Haven students and music educators, while simultaneously preparing our international body of graduate students to be teaching artists. Our teaching artists complement the work of full-time certified music educators during school hours, while also offering opportunities for students to participate in intensive supplementary programs. All activities are centered around the core principles of *mentorship*—a close personal relationship between instructor and student based on mutual learning—and *active music-making*—creating, performing, and responding to music. The biennial Symposium brings together leaders to discuss the role of music education in our communities. Previous symposia have focused on strategic partnerships, the role of music in school reform, and the integration of music in general education. Each symposium has also celebrated exceptional public school teachers with the presentation of the Yale Distinguished Music Educators Awards. The 2017 Symposium embarked on a new direction, gathering a coalition to create the *Declaration on Equity in Music for City Students*, this national call to action.

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