

UNI School of Music presents.....

# Northern Iowa Youth Orchestra in Concert

## Let's Dance!

Sunday, December 8, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Bengtson Auditorium, Russell Hall, University of Northern Iowa

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### Rumanian Folk Dances

- I. Jocul Cu Bata
- II. Braul
- III. Pe Loc
- IV. Buciumeana
- V. Poarga Romaneasca

Béla Bartók  
(1881-1945)  
arr. Arthur Willner

### Romance Op.11

Gerald Finzi  
(1901-1956)

### Danse Macabre

Dr. Nash Ryder, Violin

Camille Saint-Saëns  
(1835-1921)

### L'Oiseau de Feu (1919)

- III. Danse Infernale
- V. Finale

Igor Stravinsky  
(1882-1971)

### Acknowledgements:

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Area Band and Orchestra Directors and private music instructors

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Anonymous Donors

Sectional Coaches: Matt Andreini, Brett Copeland

Northern Iowa Youth Orchestra is an affiliate of the UNI Suzuki School.

## PERSONNEL

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### VIOLIN I

\*Summer Lim - Concertmaster  
Esther Shin  
Ian Simpson  
Chandler Taylor  
Rana Teke  
Mason Li

### VIOLIN II

\*Diya Pradeep  
Evan Lin  
Aleah Flint  
Reagen Easter  
Clayton Lauritsen  
Rishika Shettigar  
Naomi Sharkey

### VIOLA

\*Jake Snodgrass  
Jocelyn Gabel  
Lily Myrmo  
~KD Waltz

### CELLO

\*Alex Christ  
James Peng  
Elliot Bieber  
Andrew Hughes  
Helen Peng  
Gabriel Eagan  
Bella Michael  
Zander Christensen  
Ramona Saavedra-DuBord

### STRING BASS

\*Paxton Posey

### FLUTE

~Aldo Escalera  
Rachel Sharkey

### CLARINET

\*Grace Sliwinski  
Andrew Gerdes

### OBOE

\*Lucas Halversen  
~Wren Feuerhelm

### BASSOON

\*Lidia Pawlak  
Kayson Paige

### FRENCH HORN

\*Rose Stuber  
Jaxon Thoms

### TRUMPET

Anis Kantarevic  
Vivian Mussig

### TROMBONE

\*Jonah Woolery

### BASS TROMBONE/BARITONE

Markus Woolery

### TUBA

~Brian Chea

### PERCUSSION

\*Owen Neuendorf  
Samantha Brasch  
Carter Bolick  
Lydia Palmer

\*Principal  
~ UNI or Hawkey student

**Dr. Nash Ryder** began playing violin at the age of seven. He went on to study with world-renowned artists and pedagogues Donald Weilerstein, Anait Arutunian, Ronald Copes, Frank Huang, Scott Flavin, Jan Mark Sloman and Robin Scott.

He earned his B.M. and M.M. in violin performance from the Juilliard School and was the first student in the institution's history to receive both undergraduate honors and an accelerated graduate degree. He later received his Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the Eastman School of Music.

Featured on the highly acclaimed NPR radio show 'From the Top' in his youth, Nash has since performed in a wide variety of venues internationally and nationally. Nash has shared the stage with artists such as Josh Groban, Linda Eder, Joshua Bell, Itzhak Perlman, Joseph Silverstein, Ilya Kaler, Jeffrey Zeigler, and members of the Ying Quartet, among other artists.

Former rotating concertmaster and teaching artist of the New World Symphony, Dr. Ryder is currently assistant professor of instruction in violin at the University of Northern Iowa and the concertmaster of the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra. In 2024, Dr. Ryder formed the Mesa Duo with internationally-renowned pianist and UNI professor Sean Botkin.

**Donations for today's concert to support our tour expenses in the spring would be greatly appreciated. See the Hat in the lobby or to use the Venmo, PayPal or card see the QR code**  
Contact: [cathy.craig@uni.edu](mailto:cathy.craig@uni.edu) for more information.

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Live stream available at: <http://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2hlxhMobETEFUPnECS6Ymw/live>

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