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Four Hundred Eighty-Fifth Program of the 2019-20 Season

Concert Orchestra

Angel Gil-Ordóñez, Conductor Malcolm Dalglish and the Ooolites Aaron Travers, Composer/Videographer Andrew Danforth, Trombone

Great Trees (1990) Malcolm Dalglish (born 1952)

> Malcolm Dalglish and the Ooolites Maria Walker and Lucia Walker, Soprano Sarah Menefee and Legene White, Alto Cindy Kallet and Sylvester Makobi, Tenor Jeffrey White and Malcolm Dalglish, Bass

Yellowwood for Orchestra and Video

(2019, premiere) Aaron Travers Autumn -(born 1975)

Winter -

Spring -

Summer



Musical Arts Center Saturday Evening January Twenty-Fifth Eight O'Clock

Andrew Danforth*, Trombone

Intermission

Symphony No. 9 in E-Flat Major,	
Op. 70 (1945)	Dmitri Shostakovich
Allegro	(1906-1975)
Moderato	
Presto	
Largo	
Allegretto	





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^{*}Winner of the Brass Concerto Competition

Program notes for Yellowwood for Orchestra and Video (2019)

by Aaron Travers

Yellowwood Forest lies approximately 13 miles east of the city of Bloomington, Indiana. It surrounds Yellowwood Lake, which hosts a number of different kinds of waterfowl including Canada geese, hooded mergansers, and great blue herons, in addition to amphibians such as turtles, frogs and salamanders. The forest holds a great deal of bio-diversity, serving as a home to migrating warblers, turkeys, grouse, foxes, and bobcats, among numerous other species.

Yellowwood has been a favorite place of mine to practice photography for several years. In 2018, I came up with the idea of writing a piece for orchestra about the forest, with the idea of simultaneously filming the environment and the animals that live there, revealing the different faces of the forest throughout the seasons. Part of my interest was sparked by the 2017 timber harvests in the backcountry area of Yellowwood, which were controversial at the time and met with a lot of resistance from members of the community. It made me realize the fragility of those ecosystems that surround us, especially given the massive impact humans have on the environment, much of it negative. In my own way, I wanted to catalogue the life of Yellowwood before it disappeared. I also wanted it to serve as an example of all the other forests throughout the world, especially those smaller ones close by, the ones we take for granted, showing how beautiful those places are and the need to actively protect them.

Yellowwood is divided into four sections, each named for a season. "Autumn" reveals the transition from the last green leaves of the summer to the yellows, reds and oranges of fall. The music is built from dense, towering chords that give way to slow, winding melodies and smaller motives drifting down like fallen leaves. "Winter" begins with a series of icy chords that accompany a slowly meandering solo bassoon. The bassoon expands to include other instruments and erupts into a multi-layered texture descending in giant waves before culminating on a single note. This leads into a transition with bells, slowly descending oboe lines and gently cascading strings, dropping us into the third section, "Spring." "Spring" is unusual, in that it represents a parody of a beautiful choral hymn by local composer/performer Malcolm Dalglish entitled "Great Trees." The text comes from a poem by Wendell Berry, "Slowly, slowly they return," an homage to the lives of trees. I took half of Dalglish's hymn and arranged the full texture for the orchestra, but with a twist. I multiplied each voice by a different factor, so that the once homophonic voices pull apart from each other, revealing their individuality and creating fascinating dissonances. As this watercolor texture builds to a great climax, it falls headlong into "Summer," the final section. Here we are confronted in the video with aerial shots of the forest, torrential storms and dense green foliage. The music erupts into a fanfare drawn from melodies introduced at the beginning, launching into a thunderous texture of churning strings and shrill woodwinds with sleigh bells. This texture builds into a massive, dense chord in the strings, pushing into the work's finale: a slowly descending amalgam of three voices, made up of gradually diminishing string chords, a simple brass fanfare descending into the depths, and quickly cascading woodwinds figures that follow the brass in their descent. The music ends with a high quote from the beginning of Dalglish's "Great Trees," pitted against extremely low, dark winds, brass, and strings.

Yellowwood was commissioned by the Trustees of Indiana University and the Jacobs School of Music in celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the founding of the IU Department of Music in 1910 and the one-hundredth anniversary of the founding of the IU School of Music in 1921.

Artist Biographies



Angel Gil-Ordóñez studied music from childhood, but came to the field of conducting with a singular focus at age 21 following a transcendent concert by Sergiu Celibidache, who later became a mentor. Gil-Ordóñez is the music director of PostClassical Ensemble, principal guest conductor of New York's Perspectives Ensemble, and music director of the Georgetown University Orchestra. He also serves as lead education and programming

advisor for Trinitate Philharmonia, a program in León, Mexico, modeled on Venezuela's El Sistema. He has appeared as guest conductor with the American Composers Orchestra, Opera Colorado, Pacific Symphony, Hartford Symphony, Brooklyn Philharmonic, and the Orchestra of St. Luke's. Abroad, he has conducted the Munich Philharmonic, the Solistes de Berne, at the Schleswig-Holstein Music Festival, and at the Bellas Artes National Theatre in Mexico City. Gil-Ordóñez is the former associate conductor of the National Symphony Orchestra of Spain. He also founded and became music director of the Academia de Madrid chamber orchestra; and was principal guest conductor of the Classical Orchestra of Madrid. For his commitment to advancing Spanish music around the world, Gil-Ordóñez received the Royal Order of Queen Isabella, the country's highest civilian decoration. He has recorded seven albums for Naxos, including PostClassical Ensemble's Virgil Thomson and Copland CD/DVDs, and the spring 2017 release for Naxos celebrating the centenary of American composer Lou Harrison. Visit www.gilordonez.com or Facebook @angelgilordonezconductor for more information. (*Photo by Paul Emerson*)



Malcolm Dalglish is a hammer dulcimer player and composer whose work draws on his background in choir, theater, folk music, and his treks in the wilds. He cofounded the trio Metamora. He's made over 15 CDs for the Rounder, Windham Hill, and Times Music of India labels, among others. His over 100 commissioned choral works have brought his performances to Carnegie Hall, Avery Fisher Hall, the Smithsonian's

Baird Auditorium, Kennedy Center, and Strathmore Center. For 20 years his works have been performed at his outdoor singing camp and toured with acclaimed conductor Mark O'Leary throughout Australia, New Zealand, Scotland and Ireland. His solo Wild, Wild, Word Show ran at theaters nationwide. His operetta, *Free Range, A Baseball Dream*, toured China. He composed, performed, and directed the music for Wild Blessings, a Celebration of Wendell Berry, featured at Actors Theater of Louisville's Humana Festival. He composed two movements of the collaborative *Vonnegut: Requiem*. His song, dance, and apple pie celebration Love Songs for a Lasting World warms the winters of his hometown, Bloomington, Indiana. (*Photo by Mia Dalglish*)



Andrew Danforth is a senior tenor trombonist currently studying with Carl Lenthe and Wayne Wallace at the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music. A native Hoosier, Danforth grew up in Indianapolis, Indiana, while studying under Richard Dole and former Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra principal trombonist James Beckel, both IU alumni. He has received additional regular instruction from Blake Schlabach, Tony

Kniffen, and Gary Walters. As a freelance musician, Danforth is a substitute trombonist for the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, having performed on a tour to the Kennedy

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Center in Washington, D.C., as well on the Pops Series. He also plays regularly in professional wedding bands, jazz combos, big bands, studio sessions, and more as a jazz trombonist. He has had many of his compositions and arrangements performed by jazz groups and trombone ensembles, and is credited as an undercopyist on jazz clarinetist Frank Glover's most recent album. At Jacobs, Danforth has performed with several symphony orchestras, wind ensembles, jazz bands, jazz combos, brass chamber groups, Trombone Choir, and Brass Band. He has assisted with both classical and jazz trombone studio master classes at local high schools and has performed for many guest artists at Jacobs trombone master classes. In January 2020, Danforth competed in the inaugural Jack Rudin Jazz Championship at Lincoln Center with the Brent Wallarab Jazz Ensemble. This coming fall, Danforth plans to begin his master's degree in jazz trombone. Danforth is a longtime user of and advocate for ChopSaver lip balm.



Aaron Travers is associate professor of composition at the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music. Born in Portsmouth, Virginia, in 1975, he earned a B.M. in Composition from the Oberlin Conservatory of Music in 1997, studying with Richard Hoffmann, as well as a B.A. in Classics from Oberlin College the same year. He later earned M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in Composition from the Eastman School of Music in

2003 and 2005, respectively. His teachers there included Sydney Hodkinson, Christopher Rouse, Steven Stucky, and Augusta Read Thomas. Travers has received numerous awards and commissions. He has twice won the Belle Gitelman Award in Composition and the Howard Hanson Orchestra Prize, both from Eastman. He has also won the AGO/ECS Publishing Award in Choral Composition, the Chicago Symphony First Hearing Award, the Barlow Prize from the Barlow Endowment of Brigham Young University, the Lili Boulanger Memorial Fund Award, and both a Charles Ives Scholarship and Goddard Lieberson Fellowship from the American Academy of Arts and Letters. He has received commissions from the Frost Wind Ensemble of the University of Miami, Ars Mobilis, the Fromm Foundation, the Howard Hanson Institute for American Music, the Third Coast Percussion Quartet, and the Civic Orchestra of Chicago, among numerous others. Travers's works have been performed widely throughout the United States and Canada as well as in select locations in France and Mexico. In addition, his pieces have been featured at the Festival Les Solistes aux Serres d'Auteil and the Festival de Violoncelle, both in France, as well as the Tanglewood Festival of Contemporary Music in Lenox, Massachusetts. Travers resides in Bloomington, Indiana, with his wife, Winnie Cheung, and their son, Rowan.

Concert Orchestra

Violin I
Elina Rubio
Kelsea Au
Laura Romero
Joseph Comella
Tien-Chi Liao
Sydney Hartwick
Sage Park
Robert Wilson
Edgar Donati
Omer Salomon
Daniella Lombardi
Paula Lastra

Violin II
Jack Bogard
Elizabeth Drabkin
Ryan Tolentino
Sage Wright
Aleena Griffiths
Paul Kim
Alexander Subev
Samuel Choi
Liam Ramsey-White
Emily Yin
Zofia Farley

Viola
Mary Chang
Jennifer Gaffney
Wilfred Farquharson
Hudson Maness
Jiyoon Han
Theodore Taylor
Ross McIntosh
Angela Gullo
Lawson Long
Charles Kanne
Lauren Salmon
Niklas Rehn

Cello
Brandon Xu
Philip Lee
Yubin Lee
Luke Acerra

Cello (cont.)
Hee Won Jeon
Robin Shin
Michael Tynes
Xiyan Liu
Joseph Frank
Emma Goulet

Bass Samuel Rocklin John Cleere Alexis Schulte-Albert

Angela Leeper Jesse Lu

Jonathon Piccolo James Peterson Gregory Patterson

Flute Graeme

Graeme Sugden Ashley Chen Natalie Rossi, *Piccolo*

Oboe

Izumi Amemiya Abby Michaels Paul Goeglein, *English Horn*

Clarinet Noah Pujol Renae Dishman Darius Bennett, *Bass*

Bassoon Chloe Robbins Jake Salter Graydon Howard, Contra

Horn Joel Rodeback Grant Parker Douglas Nunes Detrich Morrison-Jones

Sam Johnson

Trumpet Bethany Vaughan Jack Kurtz Lizbeth Yanez

Trombone Stefan Wiebe Thomas Neidecker Chance Gompert, Bass

Tuba Bruno Gutierrez

Timpani Chia-Lin Yu

Percussion Austin Cantrell Nathan Vendel Stephany Cohen Chia-Lin Yu

Piano Noah Sonderling

Harp Margaret Foster

Orchestra Manager Lawson Long Ryan Tolentino, Asst.

Orchestra Set-Up Ryan Tolentino Alex Subev Jennifer Gaffney Álex Jimbo Viteri Dana Reckard

Librarian Cynthia Stacy

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Spring 2020 Orchestra Events

January

Sat Concert Orchestra, 8pm MAC

25 Angel Gil-Ordóñez, guest conductor Andrew Danforth, trombone soloist; Malcolm Dalglish and the Ooolites

> **Dalglish**: Great Trees for vocal octet (1990) **Travers**: Yellowwood for orchestra and video

(2019, premiere) Serocki: Trombone Concerto

Shostakovich: Symphony No. 9 in E-Flat Major, Op. 70

February

Thu New Music Ensemble, 8pm Auer

6 David Dzubay, director; Atar Arad, viola; Jean-Louis Haguenauer, piano

Arad: From Here to There for string trio (2019)
Haas: . . . wie stille brannte das Licht (2007)
Phan: New piano concerto

Wed PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA, 8pm MAC

12 Thomas Wilkins, conductor

Beethoven: Leonore Overture No. 3, Op. 72b Penderecki: Viola Concerto (1983) Respighi: Pines of Rome

Thu Conductors Orchestra, 8pm Auer 13

Sun University Orchestra, 3pm MAC

Andrew Altenbach, guest conductor Borodin: *Overture to Prince Igor*

Percussion concerto TBD
Rimsky-Korsakov/Glazunov/Steinberg: Golden

Cockerel Suite

Thu CONDUCTORS ORCHESTRA, 8pm Auer
 Christian Olson, conductor
 Brahms: Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 73

March

Wed Symphony Orchestra, 3pm | 8pm MAC

4 Scott Sandmeier, guest conductor

Overture TBD
Violin concerto TBD

Sibelius: Symphony No. 1 in E Minor, Op. 39

Thu New Music Ensemble – "Indiana Remixed" –

CONCERT I, 8pm Auer Hall David Dzubay, director

Macklay: Swarm Collecting (2019)

Holcomb: The Harvest of the Amulet of the Deer (2020, premiere)

Schelle: Summit at San Quentin (2019, premiere)

Tue University Singers and Chamber Orchestra,

10 8pm Auer

Betsy Burleigh, conductor

Haydn: The Seasons

Thu Conductors Orchestra, 8pm Auer

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April

Wed CHAMBER ORCHESTRA, 8pm Auer

1 Arthur Fagen, conductor

Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 2, Op. 19 Beethoven: Symphony No. 8 in F Major, Op. 93

Tue Symphony Orchestra, 8pm MAC

7 Thomas Wilkins, conductor Dzubay: Autumn Rivulets (2019)

Woodwind concerto TBD Liszt: Les préludes, S.97

Wed PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA, 8pm MAC

15 Thomas Wilkins, conductor

Lee: Sukkot through Orion's Nebula (2011) Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 3, Op. 37

Debussy: La mer

Thu New Music Ensemble - "Indiana Remixed" -

CONCERT II, 8pm Auer David Dzubay, director

Aikman: *New work (2020)*Nathan: *New work*Baker: *New work*

Sun ALL-CAMPUS ORCHESTRA, 8:30pm Recital Hall

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Tue New Music Ensemble - "Indiana Remixed" -

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Center for the Arts (Indianapolis) **David Dzubay**, director

Aikman: New Work (2020)

Holcomb: The Harvest of the Amulet of the Deer

(2020)

Nathan: New work

Schelle: Summit at San Quentin (2019)

Baker: New work

Wed University Orchestra, 8pm MAC

22 Arthur Fagen, conductor

Herbert: Cello Concerto No. 2, Op. 30

Chabrier: España

Prokofiev: Lieutenant Kijé, Op. 60