Julianne attended UT El Paso and did her post graduate work at UNT as a double major in violin performance and musicology. She has performed with the Fort Worth Symphony, the Dallas Opera Orchestra, the Dallas Summer Musicals orchestra and is in her 20th year with the Richardson Symphony. Among the artists she has performed with are Frank Sinatra, Josh Groban, the Trans Siberian Orchestra and Barry Manilow. Julianne has been a clinician in and around the Southwest and conducts the North Texas Youth Orchestra and is a section coach for the Greater Dallas Youth Philharmonic Orchestra.

Mrs. Booth is married to Rodney Booth, a professional trumpet player and UNT faculty member. They are blessed with two daughters as well as a 91 year old father who helps keep her "in line". Julianne loves to cook and has collected over 300 cookbooks. Her current obsession is iPhone apps. Mrs. Booth is thrilled to be part of a great musical team and would like to thank Jo Wallace-Abbie and the PWSH musicians for allowing her to be part of their honor orchestra performance today.

About the Guest Artist

Born in France, **Maud Laforest** started the guitar at age 4. She moved to England for 3 years, where she made her first public appearance at age 10. In 1996, she settled in Texas, and was a member of the 2001-2002 Plano West Chamber Orchestra. She studied at SMU with Robert Guthrie and later at the Peabody Conservatory with Manuel Barrueco, from where she holds a Bachelor and a Master of Music in Guitar Performance. She also benefited from the musical teaching of Carlos Marin in France and Carlo Marchione in Holland.

Successful in numerous competitions in the United States and in Europe, such as the International Guitar Competition in Buffalo, NY, and the American Strings Teacher Association in Texas, Maud received first prizes in the U.F.A.M (honor level for solo and duo – Duo Transatlantique, the International Guitar Competition in Nürtingen, Germany, and the Collin County Young Artists concerto competition, where she was the first guitarist to ever receive an award. Most recently she was awarded 2nd prize in Mottola, Italy, 3rd prize in Arhanes, Greece, and 3rd prize at the International Solo Competition of the Guitar Foundation of America in Oberlin, OH. Maud appeared on the national public radio show "From the Top" in America and in "Dans la Cour des Grands," a French national radio program hosted by Gaëlle le Gallic. Two of her recitals in the prestigious Petit Palais in Paris were also aired nationally. She has taught masterclasses both in the U.S. and in Asia, and is currently the guitarist of the French government program, Declic, which sponsors young classical musicians.

Recently back from tours in Mexico and Asia, Maud continues to perform regularly in North America and Europe, both solo and with fellow Peabody alumnus and classical guitarist, Ben Beirs, in Duo Transatlantique. In parallel and thanks to "Coeur en Fete" and "Creative Access," Maud gives volunteer performances for disadvantaged audiences on both sides of the ocean.

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Violin I
Nick Bhattacharya
Robyn Birch
Jonathan Chern 1**
Kevin Chiou 1,2
Hannah Lee 1,2,3 **
Kenny Lee 1,2,3
Derek Ou 1,2,3
Tina Ou 1,2,3
Grace Wey 1

Violin II
Emily Chen
Rebecca Chen
Jason Cheng
Vivian Chiang
Ashton Doeringsfeld
Oliver Lo 1
Zachry Martinez
Sylvianne Nguyen
Chandler Smith
Alison Tan **
David Wang

Viola
Saad Daniari
Charles Hsieh
Raymond Hung 1,2,3**
Wilson Johnson 1,2,3
JungRo Lee
Olivia Lee
Justin Lyan 1,2,3 **
Canyon Phan
Chrystal Schnick
Louis Sun
Calvin Tsay 1

Cello
Irene Jea 1,2
So-Jeong Jo 1,2
Richard Kao *
Timothy Lam
Joseph Wei 1,2
Michael Wei
Emily Yang 1

Bass
Daniel Gonzalez *1,2,3
Milad Daniari 1, 2

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** Principal*
*** Co-Principal*
**** Concertmaster*

About the Directors

Jo Wallace-Abbie has been a string educator in the Dallas area for thirtyone years. A native of Lexington, Kentucky, she has a B.M.E. from the University of Kentucky and a M.S. from the University of Illinois, where she was a conducting student of Paul Vermel and a member of the Champaign-Urbana, Springfield, Peoria, and Kankakee Symphonies. She held the position of Orchestra director in the Dallas ISD. at D.A. Hulcy Middle and DW. Carter High School from 1979-1985, and at T.C. Marsh Middle and W.T. White High School from 1986-1991. After joining the Plano Independent School District, she taught at R.C. Clark High School for eight years, winning consistent UIL Sweepstakes and Best in Class awards.

Ms. Wallace-Abbie is currently the Orchestra director at Plano West Senior High School, which opened in the fall of 1999, and has served as an adjudicator and clinician at orchestral events in Texas and Oklahoma. As a 24-year member of the Richardson Symphony Orchestra, she frequently freelances on violin and viola in the Dallas area, and has studied violin with Barbara Winslow, Peter Schaffer, Irving Ilmer, Homer Schmitt, and Motoi Takeda, and French horn with James London. Jo is listed in Who's Who among American High School Teachers, and Outstanding Young Women of America and is a member of TMEA, TODA, and ASTA, In what little time she has left, Jo greatly enjoys digital photography/video editing, traveling, biking, hiking and fly-fishing with her husband, Hall. The Wallace-Abbie household is home to Verdi the Quaker Parrot, who really can sing "Row, Row, Row Your Boat "all the way through, Flossie the Cockatiel who whistles nicely, and a cat who is, thankfully, afraid of birds.

Amy Mabel is the assistant orchestra director at both Jasper High School and Plano West Senior High School. She is currently in her fourth year of teaching. Amy grew up in Plano, Texas and attended both Jasper High School under the direction of Julianne Booth and graduated in the charter class of Plano West Senior High under the direction of Jo Wallace-Abbie.

A 2006 graduate of Sam Houston State University with a B.M. in Music Education, Amy studied violin with Mr. Andrew Wilson and conducting with Dr. Carol Smith and Dr. Allen Hightower. She has been a private violin and viola teacher in the Dallas area and also free-lances on violin.

Miss Mabel holds a membership in the Texas Orchestra Director's Association and Texas Music Educator's Association. This coming June, Amy will be married and is excited to see what the future holds as the new Mrs. Amy Gross.

About the Guest Conductors

Joshua Thompson is currently the Orchestra Director at Shepton High School in Plano, Texas. In the six years he has been the director at Shepton, the orchestra program has experienced unprecedented growth. The Shepton High School Orchestras have consistently received First Division Ratings and Sweepstakes Trophies at UIL Concert and Sight-reading Festival, and have also won their divisions at various music festivals across the state of Texas. The Shepton Chamber Orchestra has been named "Best in Festival" numerous times in various state music festivals, despite Shepton being a campus of only 9th and 10th graders.

Joshua previously taught at Haggard Middle School in Plano, and at South Cobb High School, in Austell, Georgia. He holds a Master of Music degree in Music Performance in Instrumental Conducting from the University of Kentucky, where he served as a Graduate Teaching Assistant, and received a Bachelor of Music Education degree from the Dana School of Music at Youngstown State University in Youngstown, Ohio. Originally from Steubenville, Ohio, Joshua's first music teacher was his grandfather, a successful high school band director. When not teaching or performing, Joshua enjoys long distance running and will run his second Boston Marathon this April.

Julianne Booth has been the orchestra director at Jasper High School (9/10) in Plano for 12 years. The Jasper program feeds both Plano and Plano West Senior High Schools. The Jasper Legacy orchestra has been a consistent TMEA honor orchestra finalist and the program has grown to over 230 students.

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1. String Quartet No. 3, Op. 73, III *Sikorski* . . . . . Dmitry Shostakovich 4:28
2. Rosa Mundi *Goodmusic Publishing* . . . . . Paul Lewis 4:00
3. IV. Allegro giocoso from *Serenade for Strings* *Luck's Music Library* . . . . . Josef Suk 8:02

The Winton Suite for String Orchestra *E. C. Schirmer* . . . . . Adam Carse

4. III. Dance *Joshua Thompson, Conductor* 1:30
5. IV. Song *Amy Mabel, Conductor* 3:32
6. V. Finale *Julianne Booth, Conductor* 2:57
7. III. Allegro giocoso from *Concerto Métis* *Editions Henry Lemoine* . . . . . Roland Dyens 7:04
   Maud Laforest, guitar
8. IV. Allegro vivace from *Souvenir de Florence* *Ludwig Masters* . . . Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky 7:55

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