# About the Conductor

**George Garrett Keast**

George Garrett Keast is "one of America's brightest young conductors" (Town-Crier News) whose "strong energetic body language" (News Times) and "strong technique and right artistic sense" (Austin American-Statesman) make him a promising and sought-after exponent of the young generation of conductors.

Among Keast's highlights during the 2007-2008 season are a re-engagement as guest conductor with the Oregon Symphony, guest conductor of the Brooklyn Philharmonic, and a concert with the New York All-State Symphony. He also led a production of Carlisle Floyd's Susannah at the Butler Opera Center of the University of Texas at Austin and returns for his seventh season as conductor of Canada's Music at Port Milford Chamber Music Festival.

The 2006-2007 season included a steady array of debuts with such orchestras as the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra, Oregon Symphony, Boise Philharmonic, Ridgefield Symphony, and Mexico's Orquesta Sinfonica de Xalapa. He also served in his third season as associate conductor of New York City Opera.

Keast has also served as the assistant conductor of the Dallas Opera and as a faculty member at the University of Texas at Austin, and he has conducted the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra, Long Island Philharmonic, Queens Symphony Orchestra, Mississippi Opera, South Florida Opera, and Houston Symphony Orchestra.

Keast is a 1995 graduate of the University of Texas School of Music. He is passionate about teaching young people, building audiences for classical music, and developing stimulating programs for the modern symphony orchestra.

*Program notes: Charles Tittsworth*

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*Nicacio Lopez & Frank Woodruff, Organizers*

*James Edwards, Vice President & Orchestra Division Chair*

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**Violin I**
Seula Lee
Michelle Suh
Collin Turner
Brian Gung
Jonathan Hou
Audrey Lee
Karen Ding
Michael Chang
Joseph Huang
Kenny Wong
Wendi Zhou
Aaron Cheng
Edward Chen
Chester Kwak
Katherine Yun
Elvis Yang
Erin Weber
Bill Wang
Sylvia Oh
June Kang

**Violin II**
Alex Vourtsanis
Jensine Caranto
Sarah Rhoades
Lynsi Porterfield
Joel Yin
Howard Tsai
Jason Lu
Lynn Gai
Jennifer Huang
Cassie Pan
Julia Shannon
Young Xu
Angela Song
Karen Li
Yue Xu
Brandon Simon
Rachel Roberts
Dustin Lao
Gordon Kwong
Carol Xia

**Viola**
Shawn Banon
Jason Williams
Timothy Shih
Kevin Cho
Carrie Pope
Juah Song
Victoria Milian
Edward Sumner
Isaiah Chapman
Kara Ortiz
Sarah Evans
Teresa Lin
Sally Jang
Kaylie Pugh
Jonathan Daniels
Michael Staffeldt

**Cello**
Zach Lockett-Streiff
Kyle Wehrman
Michael Huang
Gabriella Hernandez
Justin Zhao
Kimberly Yeh
Yu Kai Wang
Bryan Han
Amy Shin
Chris Burton
Adrienne Steely
Danielle Suh
Alexander Choi
Bryan Wigianto
Chris Hsu
Logan Glenn

**Bass**
Tyler Valadez
Paul Garza
Jacob McKinley
Daniel Gonzalez
Michael Minor
Zac Collier
Erin Rich
Colin Dowling
Michael Ehrenkranz
David Lackey
Joseph Killam
Kynan Horton-Thomas

**Piccolo**
Katie Reedy

**Flute**
Katherine Russell
Carole Pouzar
Han Yu
Kristi Von Handorf

**B♭ Clarinet**
Nicholas Brown
Kristie Gurski
Nicolas Chona
James Lamey

**Bass Clarinet**
Cody Ritchie

**Oboe**
Leo Benavides
Angela Park
Herson De La Garza
Austin Wang

**English Horn**
Steven Foley

**Bassoon**
Jack Pena
Alex Amsel
Dylan Richardson
William Gorman

**Contra-Bassoon**
Madeleine Owens

**Alto Saxophone**
Nicholas Brown

**Cornet/Trumpet**
Ryan King
Eric Chavez
Paul Torrisi
Andres Olivero
Tyler Tryon
Ernesto Villalobos Jr.
Emily Hartnack

**Horn**
Daniel Goodwin
David Ortiz
Linnea Coveney
Jacob Wiggins
Sebastian Granados
Angela Fiorini
Colin Lee
Nicole Linderman
Meagan Clark

**Tenor Trombone**
Heath Springfield
Michael Ference
Brandon Lewis
Clint Wyatt
Brett Wyatt

**Bass Trombone**
Justin Mikulencak

**Tuba**
Brice Thomas

**Percussion**
Tristan Boyd
Alex Fischer
Sarah Gartin
Josh Dominguez
Matthew Atwell
Yazan Sayyed

**Piano**
Joseph Sliepka

**Harp**
Grace Schaack
Rohini Tashima

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1. Star Spangled Banner ..... Key/Damrosch/Smith 1:24

*Conducted by Steve Andre, TMEA Past-President, Grapevine HS*

2. Jubilee Variation *Boosey & Hawkes*..... Aaron Copland 1:36

3. Le Corsair Overture *Kalmus/Public Domain* ..... Hector Berlioz 8:10

4. Symphonic Dances from *West Side Story* *Jalni Publications/B&H OR Universal & Warner* ...
... Leonard Bernstein 25:09

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