

# The Blue Marble Salem Symphonic Winds

John Skelton, Artistic Director

Sunday, April 16, 2023 3 PM Rose Auditorium South Salem High School

### **Prelude Music by the Ventus Quartet**

Alicia Rasmussen - Flute • Kevin Vaughn - Oboe Patrice DeRoest - Clarinet • Gary Zaganiacz - Bassoon

Intermezzo from Cavalleria Rusticana

Pietro Mascagni, arr. Trevor Cramer

Radetzky March, Op. 228

Johann Strauss, Sr., arr. Bill Holcombe

John Williams, arr. Donald Hunsberger

### **Concert Program**

Symphonies of Gaia Jayce John Ogren

Star Wars Trilogy

The Imperial March (Darth Vader's Theme)
Princess Leia's Theme
The Battle in the Forest
Yoda's Theme
Star Wars (Main Theme)

Intermission

(20 minutes)

Symphony No. 6 - The Blue Marble
The Big Blue Marble
Voices in Green
Let There Be Life

Film & Music by Julie Giroux

# **Coming Event**

Sunday, June 11, 2023 3 PM

Symphony No. 3

Aaron Copland, Trans. James Hile

- 1. Molto moderato
- 2. Allegro molto
- 3. Andantino quasi allegretto
- 4. Molto diliberato (Fanfare) Allegro risoluto

An Impulse to Soar David Jones

**Northwest Premiere** 

Symphony No. 1: Culloden

**Julie Giroux** 

- 1. Heilan Lochs, Bairns & Heather
- 2. I Hae Grat for Tho' I Kend (I have wept for those I knew)
- 3. Finale "We Toomed Our Stoops for the Gaudy Sodgers" (We Emptied Our Glasses for the Handsome Soldiers"

# **Salem Symphonic Winds Personnel**

**Artistic Director Piano Trumpet** Debra Pine **John Skelton** John Dulaney Celeste Flute Greg Hilfiker Debra Pine Hayley Guptill Jim Langford Shannon Jorgenson Scott Mischke Steve Novd Tyler Ramm-Grammenz **AV Coordinator** Pippa Randolph Alicia Rasmussen Ioan Paddock Kami Hettwer Oboe French Horn **SSW Board Members** Allison Fosmark Chair Katie Cooper Benjamin Garrett Terry Ostergaard Shauna Purcell **Vice Chair English horn** Mary Stevens Rosalyn Zundel John Taylor Katie Cooper **Trombone Bassoon** Secretary Greg Angeloni **Brian Case** Patrice DeRoest Steve Mitchell Bill Cassell **Treasurer** George Nix Contrabassoon Iohn Dalen Web Design Gary Zaganiacz Brian Wilson **E-flat Clarinet Euphonium** Lenora Davis Personnel Kevin Vaughn Thomas Janssen Toni Skelton Clarinet lesse O'Neill Scott Alexander Paul Paddock Historian Tami Atkinson Tuba Diane Ostergaard Mark Cousins Tammy Cavilee At Large Lenora Davis Rex Cray Rex Cray Patrice DeRoest Iohn Dalen

**Percussion** 

Susan Case

Matt Chaney

Sarah Johnson

John Lipton

Steve Noyd

MaryAnn Pierce

Tim Sasaki

Toni Skelton

Tristan Snaer

Angel Torres Mateos

**String Bass** 

Carter Smith

Cassandra Jones

Lisa Taylor

**Bass Clarinet** 

Lisa Taylor

**Contrabass Clarinet** 

Quillan Bourassa

Saxophone

Joe Sorce

John Taylor

Sam Reid

Michael Sewell

Harp

Laura Zaerr

# Join the Band?

We invite mature musicians to sit in on a rehearsal or two and audition if you are interested in joining our dedicated community of performers. Our next open rehearsal will be Monday, April 17, 2023. For more information visit:

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# **Program Notes**

## Symphonies of Gaia

Jayce John Ogren is a native of Hoquiam, Washington. The title of this work uses the language of the ancient Greeks. Symphonies refers not to an established genre or form, but simply means "a sounding together." Gaia is the Titan goddess of the earth in Greek mythology, and has since become a universal symbol for ecological stewardship and wisdom. Ogren's most sincere hope is that *Symphonies of Gaia* will, in some form, inspire others to understand and take action against the environmental crises we now so desperately face.

# Star Wars Trilogy

"Music for this suite is taken from the scores for the Lucasfilm Ltd. productions **Star Wars, The Empire Strikes Back,** and **Return of the Jedi.** Although set in futuristic terms for we earthbound travelers, the three films are in many ways actually historical in nature. Frequently described as "the morality plays of film," the stories in the Trilogy share a common theme of the primary struggle between good and evil and the eventual success of love counquering all.

The themes for *Leia, Yoda*, the *Darth Vader Death March*, and the *Main Title Music* are some of the best known film music performed today. The *Battle in the Forest*, from *Return of the Jedi*, is an extremely humorous Prokofiev-esque vivace which supports the little Ewoks in their fight with the Stormtroopers and the huge metallic giants." Donald Hunsberger

### Symphony No. 6 - The Blue Marble

"The Blue Marble is an image of Earth taken on December 7, 1972, from a distance of about 18,000 miles from the planet's surface. It was taken by the crew of the Apollo 17 spacecraft on its way to the Moon, and is one of the most reproduced images in history.

**Movement 1, The Big Blue Marble** is a visual and audio introduction to Earth. The visuals span the globe including everything from religions to recreation and from sky to below ground. The work was composed to serve one purpose – to remind everyone just how beautiful and fragile life on Earth is.

*Movement 2, Voices in Green* was inspired by recordings of the birds, insects, frogs and the rain in the Amazon Jungle. You can practically feel and smell the rain. I composed this movement with the Amazon Jungle sounds playing as a backdrop. I was there, adding my voice to theirs. Today's performance will include recorded sounds from the jungle, and aromas from the rainforest.

Movement 3, Let There Be Life The miracle of Earth is life. Life is the fragile, silken thread that holds the entire world together. As with the famous Blue Marble photograph, I hope this symphony reminds people just how fragile and beautiful Earth is. I hope it fills our hearts with renewed love for our planet, for our one and only home: Earth." Julie Giroux