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Dvořák  Elgar  Mendelssohn  Mozart

Fall Concert
Taplin Auditorium, Princeton University
Monday, 12th December 2005
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The Hebrides, Op. 26
Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

Serenade for String Orchestra, Op. 20
Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

II. Larghetto
Geoffrey McDonald, conductor

Serenade in D, Op. 44
Antonín Dvořák
(1841-1904)

Moderato, quasi marcia
Tempo di minuetto – Presto – Minuetto
*Andante con moto
Allegro molto

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Symphony No. 40 in C Minor, K.550
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(1756-1791)

Molto allegro
Andante
Minuetto; Allegretto
Allegro assai

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The audience is requested to remain seated while the musicians leave the stage at intermission and at the end of the concert.
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Violin I
Jon Chu
Patrick Ho
Raefal Ryu
Joyce Hwang
Walter Chen
Mike Lee
Adrian Ross
Stanley Liu

Violin II
Maggie Li
Saul Kinter
Leen Furchtgott
Joanna Wendel
Aaron Potechin
Joung Park
Elizabeth Lemoine
Jamie Sparano

Viola
Allysa Adams
Yukai Li
Susan Robison
Adam Sanders

‘Cello
Christie Riehl
Heidi Lam
Katie Ke
Julia Liu
Matthew Sanders
Ian Petrow

Bass
Jenn Ruskey

Flute
David Cappel
Sarah Langberg

Oboe
Justin Furuta
Janet Kim

Clarinet
Bryan Cockrell
April Frieda
Taylor White

Bassoon
Victor Amin
Christine Stahl

Horn
Neil Katuna
Anthony McMahon
Ty Wilde

Trumpet
Brian Nowakowski

Timpani

Rana Rathore

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Geoffrey McDonald is a junior in the Music Department, earning certificates in German and Music Performance for conducting. A cellist, pianist, singer, and aspiring professional conductor, Geoffrey participates in a number of musical activities on and off campus, including chamber ensembles, Princeton University Orchestra, and teaching; he is also the music director of the Princeton Katzenjammers, the nation’s oldest co-ed a cappella group. This past summer, Geoffrey served as assistant conductor to pianist/conductor Philippe Entremont at the American Conservatory in Fontainebleau, France.

Ruth Ochs completed her BA in music at Harvard University and her MM in orchestral conducting at the University of Texas at Austin. Between those degrees, she received a Fulbright Fellowship to study at Humboldt University in Berlin, Germany. In Texas Ruth conducted several orchestras including the University Orchestra at the University of Texas and the top groups of the UT String Project. She was music director of the Austin Philharmonic and made several appearances with the Austin Civic Orchestra. Now in the fourth year of graduate studies at Princeton, she is pursuing her Ph.D. in musicology and is assistant conductor of the Princeton University Orchestra. She is also in her first year as music director of the Westminster Community Orchestra, Princeton, New Jersey. Ruth has studied conducting with Michael Jinbo for several summers at the Pierre Monteux School in Hancock, Maine, and she continues to study privately with Maestro Jinbo.
MARK THIS DATE

Come hear our Richardson Auditorium debut on Thursday, 11 May 2006, at 8.00PM. The concert will feature Jen Chu performing Schumann’s Piano Concerto, and the 2nd Annual Sinfonia Concerto Competition winner.