EASTMAN
HORN CHOIR
CELESTIAL ENTERPRISES
Peter Kurau, director

Friday, November 10, 2023
Kilbourn Hall
7:30 PM
Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

Eric Russell, horn

Mars, The Bringer of War from *The Planets*  
Gustav Holst (1874-1934)  
arr. J. Lynsdale-Nock

Uranus, The Magician from *The Planets*  
Gustav Holst  
arr. Mort Shafer

Jupiter, The Bringer of Jollity from *The Planets*  
Gustav Holst  
arr. Bernhard Robinson

INTERMISSION

Moon River (1961)  
Henry Mancini (1924-1994)  
arr. Dick Meyer

Stella by Starlight (1947)  
Victor Young (1900-1956)

Star Trek: *Where No Horn Has Gone Before* (2013)  
Alexander Courage, Dennis McCarthy, James Horner, Jerry Goldsmith  
Arr. Daniel Brottman
We acknowledge with respect the Seneca Nation, known as the “Great Hill People” and “Keepers of the Western Door” of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy. We take this opportunity to thank the people whose ancestral lands the Eastman School of Music of the University of Rochester currently occupies in Rochester, New York.
The **Eastman Horn Choir** was founded in 1968 by Verne Reynolds, Professor Emeritus of Horn at the Eastman School of Music, who served as its director until his retirement in 1995. From its inception, the Choir’s mission has been threefold: to provide an expanded ensemble experience for the horn students; to acquaint them (through transcriptions) of the breadth of quality repertoire (with a particular emphasis on the glorious vocal music of the German and Italian Renaissance) within our musical culture; and to encourage contemporary composers to create original works for multiple horns. In addition to compositions and commissions by such notable composers as Samuel Adler, Jeff Tyzik, John Cheetham, David Diamond, James Willey, Daniel Baldwin, Pamela Marshall, and Jennifer Bellor, the Choir’s repertoire in recent years has expanded to include transcriptions from the classical, romantic, and modern eras. Many of these transcriptions are the product of the creativity and entrepreneurship of current members and alumni of the horn studio.

The Choir has been featured on the “Eastman at Washington Square,” “Music at St. Andrew’s,” and “Music at St. John” series, on the annual Brass Cavalcade during Meliora Weekend, and on a biennial tribute to St. Hubert (patron saint of the hunt, from which the horn derives much of its repertoire) in a formal concert in the Eastman Theatre. In addition, the Choir is honored to be featured in an annual holiday concert on “Live from Hochstein” (broadcast live on WXXI-FM 91.5, a National Public Radio affiliate.)

In 2002, the Choir was a featured ensemble (the only collegiate choir in the world so honored) at the 34th International Horn Symposium held in Lahti, Finland, where it presented three performances to critical and popular acclaim. As a result of its successes there, the Choir was invited to present three performances at the 36th International Horn Symposium, held in July 2004 in Valencia, Spain.

The 26 students within the Choir are enrolled as applied horn students at the Eastman School, and are pursuing collectively 5 various degrees and majors, and range from undergraduate students to doctoral students. Geographically diverse, they represent 14 different states, and 4 countries at present (2023).
UPCOMING EASTMAN SERIES CONCERTS

Tickets for all series concerts can be purchased at EastmanTheatre.org

FACULTY ARTIST SERIES
Collaborative Piano Faculty
Kilbourn Hall
Saturday, November 11, 2023 at 2:30 PM

EASTMAN RANLET SERIES
Ying Quartet
Kilbourn Hall
Sunday, November 12, 2023 at 3:00 PM

The Ying Quartet occupies a position of unique prominence in the classical music world, combining communicative performances with a fearlessly imaginative view of chamber music in today’s world. As quartet-in-residence at the Eastman School of Music, the ensemble performs three Eastman-Ranlet Series concerts during the season.

FACULTY ARTIST SERIES
Clay Jenkins, jazz trumpet
Hatch Recital Hall
Wednesday, November 29, 2023 at 7:30 PM

UPCOMING STUDENT ENSEMBLE CONCERTS

All student performances are free unless otherwise noted.

Eastman Jazz Workshop Ensemble
Kilbourn Hall
Monday, November 13, 2023 at 7:30 PM

Eastman Wind Ensemble
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
Monday, November 13, 2023 at 7:30 PM

Music of Jennifer Higdon, Sally Lamb McCune, and Olivier Messiaen

Saxology
Hatch Recital Hall
Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 7:30 PM
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