

EASTMAN SAXOPHONE PROJECT

CHIEN-KWAN LIN, DIRECTOR
LONDON CHANG, ASSISTANT
DIRECTOR

Tuesday, November 18, 2025
Kilbourn Hall
7:30 PM



Eastman School of Music

PROGRAM

Procession of the Nobles from *Mlada*

Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov
(1844-1908)
arr. Matthias Roth

Norfolk Rhapsody No. 1 in E Minor

Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872-1958)
arr. Landon Chang

Trio Sonata in D Minor, RV 63 (“La Follia”)

Antonio Vivaldi
(1678-1741)
arr. Landon Chang

Three Preludes (1926)

Allegro ben ritmato e deciso
Andante con moto e poco rubato
Allegro ben ritmato e deciso

George Gershwin
(1898-1937)
arr. Gaurav Sarangi

Capriccio Italien, Op. 45

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
(1840-1893)
arr. Landon Chang

PERSONNEL

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Chien-Kwan Lin, director

Landon Chang, assistant director

Isaac Boone

Estel Vivó Casanovas

Landon Chang

Zachary Costello

Songyue Ge

Joe Himmelberg

Zachary Jantzi

Timothy Lam

Muzi Li

Liam McQuade

Matthias Roth

Gaurav Sarangi

Austin Shilling

Karolina Shrader

Ben Small

Yunfei Xie

Yuyang Zheng

Harp

Sunshine Quan

Percussion

Aidan Chase

Eli Kim

Ben Landon

Liz Morad

Chance Park

Seven Swinford

MEET THE ARTISTS

The **Eastman Saxophone Project**'s repertoire spans a wide spectrum of musical genres, with the vast majority of works arranged by ensemble members. Each program is presented from memory and without a conductor, showcasing artistry, creativity, and spontaneous musical communication among the performers. ESP also steadily contributes to the expansion of saxophone ensemble repertoire by collaborating with composers, who have included Jennifer Bellow, Steven Bryant, Ted Goldman, John Mackey, Jon Russell, Baljinder Sekhon, Zoe Wang, Marlies Hollevoet, and Mikel Kuehn.

Since their founding in 2010, the Eastman Saxophone Project has quickly become one of the most recognized saxophone ensembles in the world. They made their New York debut at Steinway Hall in 2011, were the featured ensemble at the recent North American Saxophone Alliance Conference, and have appeared on National Public Radio through WXXI's Backstage Pass. In addition to multiple outreach concerts, ESP performs two full-length productions a year in Rochester, New York. The ensemble also made their Kennedy Center debut in 2015, and embarked on a China tour in Beijing, Jinan, Ningbo, and Shanghai in 2016. Archived performances of ESP are shared through the EastmanSaxProject channel on YouTube.

The Eastman Saxophone Project is directed by Chien-Kwan Lin and consists of his studio at the Eastman School of Music. Landon Chang currently serves as the ensemble's Assistant Director. ESP is a Vandoren and Conn-Selmer Artistic Ensemble and endorses Selmer (Paris) saxophones.

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.

UPCOMING EASTMAN PRESENTS CONCERTS

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

EASTMAN PRESENTS - THE FERNANDO LAIRES PIANO SERIES

Jean-Efflam Bavouzet

Thursday, November 20, 2025 at 7:30 PM

Kilbourn Hall

The dynamic French virtuoso, Jean-Efflam Bavouzet makes his Eastman Piano Series debut with selections from Maurice Ravel's complete works for solo piano. An unrivaled artistic feat, this program includes the composer's most famous works, including delightful miniatures beloved by both pianists and listeners.

EASTMAN PRESENTS - KODAK HALL SERIES

Bela Fleck and the Flecktones

Thursday, December 11, 2025 at 7:30 PM

Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre

Looking for something a little different this holiday season? Join us for *Jingle All the Way*, an extremely hip holiday show based on the GRAMMY-winning CD from Bela Fleck and the Flecktones and featuring Jeff Coffin & Alash. "*Jingle All the Way* does what all great Christmas records ought to: keep the essence of the underlying songs while bringing out something new and unexpected to make them fresh and worth another listen." (*Associated Press*)

UPCOMING EASTMAN ENSEMBLE CONCERTS

All student performances are free unless otherwise noted.

Eastman Chorale

Sunday, November 23, 2025 at 3:30 PM

Kilbourn Hall

Brass Guild

Monday, November 24, 2025 at 7:30 PM

Kilbourn Hall

Chamber Percussion Ensemble

Tuesday, November 25, 2025 at 7:30 PM

Kilbourn Hall



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