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# Hands Across the Border: Lights, Action, Student Spectacular!

Dr. Gerald King, Conductor David P. Gagnon, Graduate Assistant Conductor

# Friday, March 20, 2015 • 8:00 p.m.

Farquhar Auditorium, University Centre University of Victoria Adults \$15 / Students & Seniors \$10

# O'Canada

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Pale Blue on Deep \* 2013 Ostwald/Sousa Award Winning Composition Aaron Perrine

New York Cityscape: \* Concerto for Brass Quintet and Wind Ensemble JeffTyzik

1. Ragtime Redux (28th & 5th) 2.Tango 1932 (103rd & Riverside) 3.Traffic Jammin' (Times Square Day & Night) 4.African Dance (Wall Street & East River Ca. 1709) 5.Tarantella (Mulberry Street)

> With guest artists: **Brasstastic** Becky Major, Alana Johnson, *trumpets* Norbert Ziegler, *French horn* Liam Caveney, *trombone* Kory Major, *tuba*

# INTERMISSION

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John Estacio

Godzilla Eats Las Vegas

Eric Whitacre

David P. Gagnon, conductor Jeff Weaver (B.Mus '03), guest ELVI

# The Stars and Stripes Forever

John Philip Sousa

\* Canadian Premiere

### **PROGRAM NOTES**

# Godzilla Eats Las Vegas

ADVANCE COPY SCRIPT

#### \* \* \* PART ONE \* \* \*

#### FADE UP

It is a Bright and Sunny day as the sequined curtain rises on tinsel town, and the excitement of a new day filled with the possibility of The Big Payoff is practically palpable. The band kicks off the show in high gear and all is well as we suddenly hear:

CUT TO DESERT A lone shakuhachi flute ushers the arrival of something really VERY bad.

> CUT BACK TO BAND A relaxed rhumba. showgirls blissfully jiggle.

CUT TO MILITARY COMMAND CENTER (stock footage) Morse code signals the confirmation of approaching doom.

CUT BACK TO BAND The players finish off their third set and head for the bar; outside we hear:

> SLOW ZOOM Oh no, oh no, oh no, it's:

CLOSE UP Godzilla! Glorious Godzilla!

VARIOUS QUICK CUTS (stock footage) Godzilla destroys cars, screaming tourists, etc.

CUT BACK TO BAND The band, quasi Greek Chorus, calls for Godzilla to Mambo.

GODZILLA, FULL FRAME Godzilla mambos, casually crushing hysterical Vegans without missing a step.

> EXTREME CLOSE UP A tiny terrier barking bravely, then:

CUT BACK TO GODZILLA Demolishing everything in his path... not even the doggie escapes!

WIDE PAN As Godzilla heads down the strip, searching relentlessly for:

> CLOSE UP (stock footage) Frank Sinatra (Stomped!)

> CLOSE UP (stock footage) Wayne Newton (Stamped!)

> CLOSE UP (stock footage) Liberace (Stepped upon!)

VARIOUS CUTS The Village Gods destroyed, Godzilla continues his carnage until The City of Sin is leveled! \* \* \* PART TWO \* \* \*

FADE UP

A fearless army of Elvises (Elvi) appear in the distance, formation marching through the littered streets

VARIOUS CLOSE UPS The Elvi attack, using bombers, missiles, etc.

EXTREME CLOSE UP One wicked laugh from Godzilla and the Elvi scatter like mice!

QUICK CUT (stock footage) The Sphinx sits outside The Luxor, looking seductive in a Mae West sort of way.

> CLOSE UP Godzilla takes one look and his eyes pop out of his head.

QUICK CUTS The Sphinx (Sphinxtress?) seduces the Reptile, who instantly falls in love and begins to:

> WIDE SHOT Tango with her.

SPLIT SCREEN As they dance, the Elvi slowly regroup and head for the:

> **QUICK CUT (stock footage)** Pirate ships at Treasure Island

ACTION SEQUENCE (MONTAGE) The Elvi approach the dancing monster and launch a ferocious volley of cannonballs directly at him.

> QUICK CLOSE UPS The cannonballs find their mark, and Godzilla:

WIDE SHOT Falls to the ground, annihilated. The Elvi are triumphant!

CROSSFADE The lounge is open again, and the city of Las Vegas toasts the victory. The scene climaxes with:

> VARIOUS CUTS (stock footage) People happy, tearful, etc. Stock footage, stock music.

SLOW FADE OUT AND FADE UP A dark, ominous, and VERY familiar sound...

SLOW ZOOM Godzilla lives! Godzilla lives! Complete terror (possible sequel?).

> WIDE SHOT The Show is over. The End.

#### FADE TO BLACK

#### BECKY MAJOR (TRUMPET)

Becky is a familiar face in community groups around Victoria. Earning her Bachelor of Music from the University of Victoria in 2012, Becky has been involved in various local groups as well as ensembles around Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands. Last year, Becky spent 8 months traveling around Germany where she had the opportunity to take lessons with various teachers while improving her German language skills. Becky performs most often with the 5th Field Regimental band as a reserve musician, a role she has held since 2009. In addition to music, Becky enjoys spending time with her husband, also a member of Brasstastic.

#### ALANA JOHNSON (TRUMPET)

Alana has been a musician since she can remember. Piano was her first love at the age of five and she began to sing even before that time. The trumpet found her twelve years ago in her elementary school's beginning band. After being involved in outstanding middle and high school music programs, she completed a Bachelor of Music in Trumpet performance at the University of Victoria under the direction of Louis Ranger. She currently shares her love of music with elementary, middle and high school students around Sooke and Victoria. She seeks to provide young musicians with the same fun, skills and opportunities she was blessed with during her education.

#### NORBERT ZIEGLER (FRENCH HORN)

Norbert has been playing the horn for 17 years. He earned his Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degree from the University of Victoria under Kurt Kellan, former Principal Horn of the Calgary Philharmonic. Norbert has performed with many ensembles including: University of Victoria Wind Symphony, University of Victoria Orchestra, Ensemble Pacifica, South Island Wind Ensemble, Beacon Hill Brass, Victoria Operatic Society and of course Brasstastic. Currently Norbert is the music teacher at Stelly's Secondary School in Central Saanich.

#### LIAM CAVENEY (TROMBONE)

Liam is currently pursuing his Bachelor of Music in Trombone Performance at the University of Victoria (UVic) under the guidance of Scott MacInnes. Liam has also studied with Ian McDougall and Thomas Eadie. Liam currently holds the positions of principal trombone in the UVic Orchestra and the Greater Victoria Youth Orchestra and is an alumni of the National Youth Orchestra of Canada. He has attended Domaine Forget and the Pacific Region Academy of Music and performs in several chamber ensembles around Victoria, including Brasstastic. Liam has performed as a soloist with the Greater Victoria Youth Orchestra and the UVic Wind Symphony and as a winner of the UVic Orchestra in November 2013.

#### KORY MAJOR (TUBA)

Kory completed his Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Victoria in 2010. Afterwards, he went on to complete an Artist Diploma at the prestigious Glenn Gould School of Music where he studied with Sasha Johnson, Principal Tuba with the National Ballet of Canada. Kory has performed with The True North Brass Quintet, The Hannaford St. Silver Band and The New England Conservatory Philharmonia Orchestra upon his acceptance to the Conservatory in 2012.

#### BRASSTASTIC

Brasstastic is an energetic quintet eager to share their love of music with audiences of all ages across Victoria. Made up of graduates and students from the University of Victoria, its members strive to use their musical knowledge as a tool to engage the public with sounds from all genres. Brasstastic takes a special interest in education for youth by performing school concerts on a regular basis. They hope to reach young students in a fun and engaging way while informing them about the path to learning music. In addition to education, Brasstastic is also focused on community involvements.

#### DAVID P. GAGNON

Born in Quebec, David studied saxophone and recording at the College de Sherbrooke before graduating from McGill University in Music with Honors in Music Technology. He joined the Canadian Forces Reserve in Sherbrooke in 2003 where he played and eventually conducted until 2012 when he was accepted as a Regular Force member with the Naden Band of the Royal Canadian Navy and moved to Victoria. Since then apart from playing saxophone in the ensemble and as a soloist, you can see him as the Drum Major in front of the Band on parade or in the recording studio when needed.

In Quebec, David performed with his saxophone quartet and a variety of big bands and concert bands. He taught saxophone, flute and clarinet and conducted elementary to high school level bands. He also toured Quebec with the well known singer Dan Bigras conducting his big band and performing at the Montreal Jazz Festival.

Mr. Gagnon is currently working on a Master of Music Degree in Conducting under the supervision of Dr. Gerald King.

#### DR. GERALD KING

Dr. King is Professor of Music at the University of Victoria where he serves as the conductor of the UVic Wind Symphony and heads the Music Education Division. From 2004–2012 he served as Director of the School of Music. Internationally recognized as one of Canada's most respected conductors, adjudicators, educators and keynote speakers, Dr. King is the recipient of many prestigious honors and awards. Dr. King is a former student of internationally renowned conductor, Maestro Kazuyoshi Akiyama with whom he studied the Saito Conducting Technique. His professional career has taken him throughout Canada, the United States, Great Britain, Denmark, Sweden, Holland, Germany, Italy, France, Spain, Japan, Mexico, Hong Kong, Australia, and Switzerland. Dr. King's conducting appearances with Regional, National, International Honor, and Professional Ensembles have been praised for performance quality, artistry, and creativity.

Dr. King is also widely recognized as an expert for his ability to link theory and practice in the field of teaching and learning. Among his many recordings and publications is a chapter in the book, *Creativity and Music Education*, written by seventeen authors from the United States, Canada, Israel, Australia, Great Britain, Spain, and Scotland. The book includes a forward by noted author on creativity, Mihalyi Csikszentmihalyi. In addition, Dr. King has completed a well-received DVD—The *Craft of Conducting*.

Dr. King is a Yamaha Artist Educator/Conductor.

# UVIC WIND SYMPHONY PERSONNEL

PICCOLO

Cooper Reed

#### FLUTE

I Sierra Phosy\*Jillian BroughtonII Bailey FinleyMonica Mun

ALTO FLUTE Jillian Broughton

#### OBOE

Theresa Mothersill Allison Phillips

#### CLARINET

I Marcella Barz\* Samuel He

II James Yi Sunny Chu William Constable

III Mark Kim Jynelle Grigg Alina Liang

### BASS CLARINET

Kylie Flower

CONTRA BASS Adam Jasieniuk

BASSOON Lee Whitehorne SOPRANO SAXOPHONE Austin Nicholl

#### ALTO SAXOPHONE

I Seán Maynard\* II Austin Nicholl

**TENOR SAXOPHONE** Skye Eriksen

BARITONE SAXOPHONE Matthew Bell

CORNET/TRUMPET Matthew MacLean\* Justin Bury Alex White Emily McDermid John Hamblett Jordan Smale

#### FRENCH HORN

I Samuel McNally\* II Drake Lovett III Simon Dawkins IV John Millsip

TROMBONE I Eric Showers\* II Owen Worby

BASS TROMBONE Zoe McLaren

**EUPHONIUM** Jaclyn Kreke\* Kevin Gavaghan



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Blake Palm\*

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