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# Shillelaghs and Shenanigans

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024 • 2:30 PM Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall (Rozsa Centre) • University of Calgary

> Dr. Jeremy S. Brown • Conductor Fraser Abbott, Bagpipes

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PROGRAM

Suite on Celtic Folk Songs I. March II. Air III. Reel

Tam o'Shanter Overture

Strange Humors

Selections from Ain't Misbehavin'

### **INTERMISSION**

Irish Tune from County Derry

Canadian Armed Forces March Past I. Heart of Oak (Navy) II. Colonel Bogey (Army) III. R.C.M.P. March Past

Royal Canadian Air Force Marchpast

Fraser Abbott • Bagpipes

Gaelforce

An Irish Rhapsody

Clowns

Program notes and limericks by Julie Jacques

Percy Grainger

arr. Ron MacKay

Walford Davies, arr. Mike Rehill

Clare Grundman

Philip Parker

Peter Graham

arr. Richard Maltby

Tomohiro Tatebe

Malcolm Arnold, arr. John P. Paynter

John Mackey

### DR. JEREMY S. BROWN ARTISTIC DIRECTOR/CONDUCTOR

Jeremy Brown is an award-winning teacher and Professor of Music at the University of Calgary where he currently serves as Division Lead of Music. He performs as a conductor, saxophonist, flautist, clarinetist and is a jazz and free improviser. At the University of Calgary School of Creative and Performing Arts, he has been a conductor of the wind bands and the jazz bands. In addition, he teaches courses in improvisation and instrumental music education and SoTL, the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning. He has written numerous pedagogical articles for *The Instrumentalist* magazine, among many other periodicals. His recent book *The Wind Band Music of Henry Cowell* (Routledge Press, 2018) includes definitive recordings of Cowell's band music with the winds of the Calgary Philharmonic



Orchestra, conducted by Dr. Brown. In addition, he was series editor and lead compiler of the inaugural *Royal Conservatory of Music Saxophone Series* (Frederick Harris Music, 2014), a multi-volume saxophone anthology with graded repertoire, etudes, technical studies and orchestral excerpts. He is currently writing a new book, *New Perspectives of Jazz Patronage* (Taylor and Francis, 2024.)

He is in his twenty-fifth year as conductor of the Calgary Wind Symphony, a 60-member wind band founded in 1955. The CWS performs four major concerts a year and has commissioned and premiered numerous new works for wind band, including the Canadian premiere of *Slipstream* by Juno-award-winning composer Jordan Nobles. He was the saxophone soloist with the National Youth Band of Canada in 2015, sponsored by Yamaha Canada, and again as conductor/artistic director in 2017, an unprecedented double invitation. He was founding artistic director and conductor of the National Concert Band of Canada, 2002-2010, an auditioned youth band of students from across Canada. In addition, he directs the UCalgary Saxophone Ensemble that gave world premieres of works by Jordan Nobles and Laurie Radford at the 2020 North American Saxophone Alliance Biennial Conference, Arizona, USA. He has appeared as soloist with the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra, the Ottawa Symphony, the Festival Orchestra of the 2003 World Saxophone Congress, and numerous other bands and orchestras in Canada and the United States.

His collaborative jazz CD Saxophone Legacy (2022) was number one on Canadian radio play lists in 2022. His new classical saxophone CD emergence (2022) with new compositions by David Eagle, Vincent Ho, Nov Pon and Claude Lapalme, won Outstanding Classical Recording of the Year at the 2023 YYC Music Awards. *Magnitudes*, a free improvisation recording with Joe Morris (New England Conservatory) was released in 2023 to great critical acclaim. His *Wayfaring* (2014) recording by Nova Pon was nominated as the Outstanding Classical composition of 2015 by the Western Canadian Music Awards. In 2010, his solo recording of Canadian solo and chamber music for saxophone, *Rubbing Stone*, was nominated outstanding classical record of the year by the Western Canadian Music Awards. In 2017, he was nominated for the Student's Union Teaching Award, which he won in 1999. In 2014, he was awarded the inaugural University of Calgary Teaching Award by the Faculty of Arts. In 2009, he was recognized at Southam Hall in Ottawa as a "Canadian Music Ambassador" by the Canadian Music Centre for his commissioning and performing music by Canadian composers, with about sixty works commissioned. In 2008, he was named one of five "Innovators of the University of Calgary" for his contribution to music education in Alberta by the Alberta Band Association.

His undergraduate and graduate students have won numerous national and international awards, scholarships, and recognition as university teachers. In addition, his university ensembles have been widely recognized for original programming and performing excellence; most recently, the UCalgary Jazz Orchestra won the Outstanding Ensemble Award at the 2013 Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival and ten outstanding soloist awards at the 2014 Elmhurst Jazz Festival, Chicago, Illinois and numerous soloist awards at the 2018 Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival.

As an improviser, he has worked with numerous free music specialists, including English saxophonist John Butcher, Montreal composer Chantale Laplante, Toronto pianist Marilyn Lerner, and extensively with Joe Morris over several months in Calgary as a Killam Scholar.

He has recorded numerous records, including *Scaramouche* with the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra (2003, CBC records) *In the Company of My Soul* (2003, Arktos Label), *Ornamentology* (lightblue records), *Rubbing Stone* (2010, Centredisc Label), *The Lethbridge Sessions* (2014, Centredisc Label), *Music for Soup* (2015) and *Verismo Jazz Quintet* (2005).

As a saxophone soloist, he has appeared with many bands and orchestras, including the Washington-Idaho Symphony, the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra, the Red Deer Symphony, Festival Orchestra of the 2003 World Saxophone Congress (Minneapolis), the Okanogan Symphony Orchestra, Kensington Sinfonia, the Calgary Civic Symphony, Calgary Youth Orchestra and the Ottawa Symphony. He is also lead tenor saxophonist with the Calgary Jazz Orchestra and regularly performs with the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra as a jazz and classical soloist.

He is the founding artistic director of the Rubbing Stone Ensemble and the Jeremy Brown Collective, new music ensembles based in Calgary. He is the former conductor and founding artistic director of the National Concert Band of Canada (2002-2010). In 2003, he co-founded Verismo, a Calgary jazz quintet whose inaugural recording garnered critical acclaim and performed at the 2007 Montreal Jazz Festival.

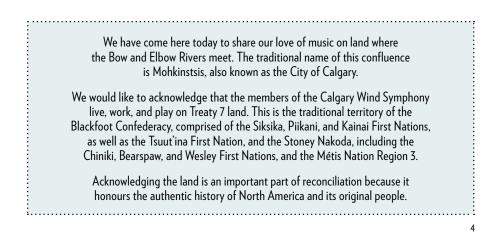
As a composer, his works have been performed at the Montreal International Jazz Festival, are published on dorn.pub.com and include works for the Jeremy Brown Collective, a Calgary ensemble of innovative improvisers.

### FRASER ABBOTT, BAGPIPES

Fraser Abbott leads the Champions Program at Tourism Calgary working with local thought leaders to host major international events and conventions here in Calgary.

Outside of his work in the hospitality and tourism sector, Fraser is an active bagpiper performing at numerous initiatives and events throughout the city and surroundings. He is the former Pipe Major of the University of Calgary Pipe Band as well as the former Band Officer for the 78<sup>th</sup> Fraser Highlanders Youth Pipes & Drums. Fraser has collaborated with different artists and groups for recordings and live performances.









CALGARY WIND SYMPHONY JEREMY BROWN - ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

A sophisticated wind symphony built upon the 68 year tradition of the Calgary Concert Band.

(11)ho are we?

We are community musicians from all walks of life: women and men, young and young-at-heart, native Calgarians and new arrivals. We come together every week to share in the enjoyment of preparing music for our concerts and are one of the premier community instrumental organizations in Calgary.

We are proud of our long and distinguished history going back to 1947. The group was originally known as the Calgary Concert Band and over the decades we have been inspired by the leadership of many fine conductors such as, Captain Ray MacLeod, Steve Franse and currently, Dr. Jeremy Brown.

In 2012, the name was officially changed to The Calgary Wind Symphony to reflect an ensemble that actively performs the best of modern repertoire for large wind ensembles as well as the beloved classics of the concert band tradition. Our programs showcase innovative new pieces as well as honouring our musical roots.

We are honoured to have you as our audience and hope you enjoy the musical ride as much as we do.

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### musicians 2023-2024 season

#### FLUTE/PICCOLO

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#### BASSOON

Lyndon Rey (P) Yoko Ruigrok Paytan Tatoulis

#### CONTRABASSOON Lyndon Rey

#### **Bb CLARINET**

Mary Hamm (P)\* Judy Brock Lorne Davies Kim Linkert Elana Macauley Thierry Lavoie Sam Lucas Ryan MacLeod\* Rose Pawlak Nimrodal Whiting Eb CLARINET Kim Linkert

**BASS CLARINET** Stan Climie (P) Stephen Spurgeon\*

SOPRANO SAXOPHONE Tessa Baker

ALTO SAXOPHONE Tessa Baker (P) Allison Brown Emily Foxton Dustin Stirling

**TENOR SAXOPHONE** Sean Hoey Jillian Mah

**BARITONE SAXOPHONE** Colin Rothbauer

#### TRUMPET

Richard Worton (P) Tim Bullen Chuck Mallett Russ Middleton LOA Sara Mills Mark Paidra Ron Platt Graham Pond

#### HORN

- Jody Connors (P) John Ramsay (P) Jesse Bevans Julie Jacques Gabriel Ong Lisa Turner Carmen Way
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**EUPHONIUM** David Mitchell (P) Jean-Francois Cotnoir\*

**TUBA** Neil James (P) Rob Willard (P)

PERCUSSION Danielle Jessome (P) LOA Dallas Hockley Mar James Linda Knight Kel Spoering

PIANO/KEYBOARDS Julie Jacques

HARP Alita Salmon\*

P = Principal | LOA = Leave of Absence | \* not playing this concert

We are pleased to have these guest musicians joining us this concert: Nancy Ford, trombone; Riley James, trombone; Gillian Newburn, flute; Henry Wu, percussion



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## A Silver Jubilee saturday, june 15, 2024 7:30 PM

Program and Artists subject to change.

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