

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo: South of the Border to Mexico and Beyond

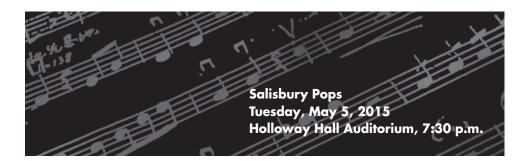
# Salisbury Pops

Tuesday, May 5, 2015 Holloway Hall Auditorium 7:30 p.m.





El Cumbanchero
FandangoFrank Perkins
La Virgen de la MacarenaBernardino Bautista Monterde Stuart Smith, trumpet soloist
Amparita RocaJaime Texidor
Guitar DuetsDr. Danielle Cumming and Vendim Thaqi
Granada
Concerto de Aranjuez Joaquin Rodrigo Glenn Luedtke, flugelhorn soloist
A Tijuana Brass Medley
MalagueñaErnesto Lecuona



### PERFORMERS

#### FLUTE

Jaimie Lynn Mandelson Molly Miller Emily Grundy Emily Rittenour

> **OBOE** Julie Barton

**CLARINET** Caitlyn Hetland Wes Rice Annie Swigart Mary Lee Winters Paige Burleigh

BASS CLARINET Tim McManus

#### ALTO SAXOPHONE

Ryan Donoghue Thomas Moreno-Holt Josh Easter Jackie Darrow **TENOR SAXOPHONE** Ryan Kraus Malcolm Bratcher

BARITONE SAXOPHONE Andrew Pogan

FRENCH HORN David Mensah Meghan Rice Marisa Lacey

#### TRUMPET

Glenn Luedtke Matthew DeTora Brad Kraus Jill Leisten Andrew Volz Alex Kruskal Ray Kimball Yusef Fletcher Will Coleman

#### TROMBONE

Victoria Lazinski Jessica Kroll Cierra Lyons (UMES) John Gates (UMES) Walker Skeeter Josh Kahn (bass trb.)

> **EUPHONIUM** Ben Wilshusen Don Rising

#### TUBA

Matt Barbely Rachel Estes

#### **BASS GUITAR**

Samantha Santana

#### PERCUSSION

Meghan Rollyson Rebecca Doughty Lauren Hetland Dylan Ira Josh Holland Ukeme Mbek Julian Nelson-Sanders



## **PERFORMER BIOGRAPHIES**

The **Salisbury "Pops"** Concert Band is open to all students at Salisbury University and is enhanced by a few community musicians who serve as mentors and share a passion for performing band music. Many non-music majors find room in their schedules to participate each semester during their tenure here at Salisbury University.

Classical guitarist **Danielle Cumming** is well known as a performer and teacher. Her performances have been broadcast in the United States and in Canada on national television and radio. She has recorded two solo CDs, the second of which is comprised of repertoire Cumming commissioned, which will be released in summer 2015 on the German label AureaVox.

Cumming holds a doctorate in performance from McGill University and a master's in performance from the University of Toronto, where she studied with the renowned guitarist, Norbert Kraft.

Cumming is the director of guitar studies at SU and is a D'Addario artist.

Kosovo-born guitarist **Vendim Thaqi** studied at Germany's famous music university Hochschule für Musik und Tanz Aachen, the only guitarist in his year to successfully audition into this prestigious school. With a repertoire ranging from classical to rock, he also is the guitarist for the Belgian-German rock band Autumn Colours, which released its first album, *Where Is My Home*, in 2014.

Thaqi is the first musician in SU's Young Artist in Residence program, sponsored by the Music Department and Center for International Education. The program brings gifted international musicians to work with SU students in a cultural and musical exchange.



**Glenn Luedtke** received his musical education at the Peabody Conservatory of Music, majoring in percussion performance and music education. He became a member of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra (BSO) until joining the United States Army Band ("Pershing's Own") in Washington, D.C., where he performed with the Concert and Ceremonial Bands, Herald Trumpets, Orchestra, and Chamber Singers before retiring as a Sergeant Major following more than 20 years of service.

Upon leaving the Army, Luedtke, a nationally registered paramedic, joined the faculty of the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences as an adjunct assistant professor of emergency medicine. He later became director of Cape and Islands EMS in Cape Cod, MA, before coming to Delaware as director of Sussex County EMS, retiring from that position in 2010. He has also been a frequent lecturer at regional, national and international EMS conferences and symposia.

While a student at the Peabody Conservatory, Luedtke minored in trumpet, studying with former BSO principal trumpet Domenic DeGangi. He played with and conducted several community bands on Cape Cod before moving to Delaware, and joined the SU Pops in 2001. He is also principal trumpet and associate conductor of the Milford Community Band, as well as Principal Trumpet with the Rehoboth Concert Band and "A Touch of Brass," a local brass quintet. He also frequently performs with pit orchestras in local theatre productions.

Matthew DeTora, trumpeter, is completing his senior year at SU with a dual major in management and marketing as well as a minor in mathematics. He has played with the Salisbury "Pops" for all eight semesters. DeTora is a member of both the Phi Kappa Phi and Beta Gamma Sigma honor societies. After graduation, he has accepted a management position with the Target Corporation



In the fifth grade, **Stuart Smith** chose to pursue the trumpet, inspired by his father's own enthusiasm for the instrument. Being from upstate New York, he chose to attend nearby Onondaga Community College to study with Professor James Mosher where he earned an associate's degree in music performance. Migrating to the University of Kentucky in the mid 1980s, Smith earned both his bachelor's and master's degree while studying under Professor Vincent DiMartino.

Upon graduation, Smith moved to San Antonio, TX, where he performed with many groups including the San Antonio Symphony, Mid-Texas Symphony and Victoria Symphony for over a decade. Smith was also in high demand as a teacher and clinician because of Texas' prestigious music programs and was an adjunct instructor at the University of the Incarnate Word College.

In 2003, Smith made the Baltimore/Washington area his home. Presently, he has the privilege of performing with Richmond Symphony, Annapolis Symphony, Annapolis Chorale, Maryland Symphony, Mid-Atlantic Symphony and the Baltimore Opera. He continues to maintain a private teaching studio, serving the needs of young musicians ranging in ages from 11 up to 60 years old.

**Conductor Lee Knier** directs the Salisbury "Pops" Concert Band at SU where he also teaches courses in music education and applied brass lessons. A graduate of both Temple and Arcadia universities, he earned degrees in music education and performance with concentrations in trombone and conducting. In addition to teaching music in public schools for 30 years in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, he also served as assistant director of bands at Temple University, assistant conductor of the New Jersey Youth Orchestra and interim director of the Salisbury Symphony Orchestra. Knier has performed regularly as a trombonist with the Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra, St. Peter-by-the-Sea Orchestra, Metro Lyric Opera Orchestra and the Brookdale Big Band. He toured with both the Glenn Miller Orchestra directed by Buddy DeFranco and the Nelson Riddle Orchestra. Knier enjoys performing locally with the Backfin Banjo Band and the Delmarva Big Band as well as solo performances in churches.



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