

****For Immediate Release****

Kent State University Orchestra to offer an exciting 2017-2018 subscription season

Kent, Ohio – Under the leadership of new Director of Orchestra, **Dr. Jungho Kim**, the Kent State University Orchestra will present its **2017-2018 Subscription Series** featuring hallmarks of the orchestral repertoire and a few fun surprises. Hugh A. Glauser School of Music faculty and students along with members of **The Cleveland Orchestra** will join the orchestra as soloists. Subscriptions for the 5-concert series are available starting **Mon., Sept. 11** through **Sun., Oct. 1, 2017** for \$50 – a savings of 33% over single tickets! Available through the Performing Arts Box Office, call 330-672-2787 (ARTS) or visit in-person to purchase a subscription. All concerts take place at Cartwright Hall in University Auditorium, 650 Hilltop Drive in Kent. Free parking available off of Terrace Drive.

Opening the 2017-2018 season on **Sun., Oct. 1 at 3 p.m.** is Brahms' Symphony No. 1 in C-minor, Op. 68. Cleveland Orchestra members Jung-Min Amy Lee, violin, and Joanna Patterson Zakany, viola, will also join the orchestra for Mozart's timeless "Sinfonia Concertante for Violin, Viola and Orchestra." The second concert, on **Sun., Nov. 5 at 3 p.m.**, will feature Greig's popular "Holberg Suite," Mozart's "Serenata Notturna" and Schubert's classically-influenced Symphony No. 5 in B-flat major, D. 485. In their final concert of 2017, on **Sun., Dec. 3 at 3 p.m.**, the orchestra will perform Wagner's Prelude to "Die Meistersinger" and Beethoven's Symphony No. 7 in A-major, Op. 92. Matthew Holm, Director of Percussion Studies, will also join the orchestra to perform Josh Gottry's "Transitions for Percussion and Orchestra."

On the second half of the season, audiences will be treated to two concerts prominently featuring Kent State music students and choral groups. The first concert of 2018, on **Fri., Feb. 16 at 7:30 p.m.**, will feature the winners of the School of Music's annual concerto competition, along with other works. The grand finale of the 2017-2018 season, on **Sun., May 6 at 3 p.m.**,

will showcase the combined Kent State Choirs performing major works for choir and orchestra, including Ralph Vaughan Williams beautiful “Dona nobis pacem.” Dr. Scott MacPherson, Director of Choral Studies, will join Dr. Jungho Kim to conduct this annual audience favorite.

Dr. Jungho Kim earned his DMA in conducting from the Eastman School of Music, having previously earned master’s degrees in violin and conducting from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. He has conducted extensively throughout the US, including appointments with the Sioux City Symphony and the Rochester Philharmonic. Previously, he served on the faculty of Augustana University in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Single tickets are available online, in-person and over the phone. The Performing Arts Box Office is located in the Center for the Performing Arts at 1325 Theatre Drive, Kent Campus and is open from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. \$15, adults; \$13, senior and Kent State University faculty and staff; \$10, groups of 10 or more patrons; \$8, non-Kent State students and Kent State students ineligible for the Fee for Free; and **FREE** for full-time Kent State undergraduate students and those under 18. For more information and tickets, please visit www.kent.edu/music/events.

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