

SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA *of* NORTHERN VIRGINIA

Ethan Lolley Music Director



 **SONOVA**

Twelfth Season
2023-2024



Program Notes

Our Friends and Patrons of SONOVA!

On this spookiest of nights, I am so honored to have each of you here to welcome our 2023–2024 season! From the “new guy” on the podium, I share my immense gratitude as I take up the baton from the incomparable maestro Jeffrey Dokken. I am proud to carry on the legacy that makes SONOVA at the heart of this community.

Our musical story tonight invites us to explore the eerie side of life — those nighttime tales around the campfire, the “boogeyman” lurking around the corner, or the screeching howl beneath a full moon. Whether it’s the excitement of the unknown or the rush of fear, spooky stories have fascinated humans for centuries through fables, books, and films alike.

Composers as early as Bach — and even before — were masters in constructing the sounds of fear through minor keys and the use of dissonant chords. Centuries later, with simply the right two repeating musical notes, John Williams created a masterpiece in *Jaws*, and we forever wonder what lies beneath the water. Somewhere in between, Berlioz envisioned the mystical chaos of a witches’ sabbath dance in his *Symphonie Fantastique*.

Tonight’s story includes all three and more, spanning over 300 years of musical frights. Come journey with us as we enter another dimension — a dimension where your imagination has no boundaries — the place where witches dance, sorcerers cast spells, and trolls rule the mountains. Your next stop: SYMPHONIC SPOOKS... if you dare!

Ethan Lolley
Music Director

Support SONOVA

Platinum

\$1,000 OR MORE

- Seat on the Honorary Community Advisory Board
- Four season tickets
- Invitation to dress rehearsals
- Invitation to Conductor's reception at December concert
- Program recognition

Gold

\$500 TO \$999

- Two season tickets
- Invitation to dress rehearsals
- Invitation to Conductor's reception at December concert
- Program recognition

Silver

\$100 TO \$499

- Two tickets to a performance of your choice
- Program recognition

Bronze

UP TO \$99

- Program recognition

ADVERTISEMENTS



Acknowledgments

SONOVA would like to recognize its sponsors:

Joe Luquire

Roadkill on a Stick Frozen Foods Publishing

Kathryn and Ken Weeman

Dorothy and Richard Fragaszy

Mary R. Hof

Kenneth and Gail Albert

Ian Anderson

Joseph Courtney

David Chung

Leah Deskins

David Dorsen

Clover Eichenberger

Tenagne Haile-Mariam

Zach Hasan

Bryna Helfer

Betsy and Ron Hirschel

Lowell and Celia Jacoby

Kristin Johnson

Larry Lee

Rose Mayo

Myranda Moyer

Nathaniel Phillips

John and Marie Scalea

Anuraag Sensharma

Stephen Stein

Janet Taylor

Special thanks to the sponsors of tonight's
pre-concert pumpkin carving festivities:

ting

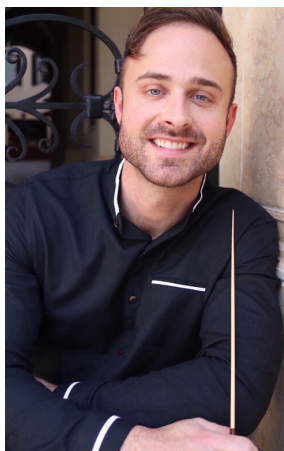


GREENSTREET
GARDENS

LOSTBOY
CIDER



Music Director



Ethan Lolley, an Alabama native, is an accomplished conductor, clinician, and music director. He holds his graduate degree in music education with a conducting emphasis in instrumental and choral conducting from Auburn University. He has led music ensembles as a collegiate and Drum Corps International drum major, youth and symphony orchestra conductor, and music director for children's theatre, adult mainstage regional theatrical productions, and as a professional opera conductor. Ethan also serves as a Florida public schools music and conducting clinician, providing professional development in conducting and ensemble performance for new music teachers, as well as adjudicating bands, orchestras, and choirs for state performance assessment. In 2015, he founded Drum Major Innovations, an educational institution that offers conducting clinics, camps, and competitions for aspiring drum majors and student conductors. He currently serves as an instructor for the Macy's Great American Marching Band, a select ensemble of the country's top high school musicians who perform in the annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

Ethan has performed professionally with Universal Orlando Resort, Disney Cruise Line, and The Walt Disney World Resort as an Actor's Equity vocalist. He is currently a principal performer for Walt Disney World's longest running show on property, *The Hoop Dee Doo Musical Revue*. He was formally the music director of the CFCArts Young Artists Orchestra in Orlando, Florida, as well as an associate conductor for the CFCArts Symphony Orchestra, the nation's largest community orchestra with over 240 musicians.

To read Ethan's full bio, visit sonovamusic.org/music-director.

The Orchestra

First Violin

Tanya Whisnant^C
Désirée Baron
Kristie Budihardjo
Bogum Kang
Joseph Keum
Marisa Liles
Myranda Moye
Serena Sela
Sarah Taylor
Emma Wen

Second Violin

Jeanne Faubell^P
Ana Berliner
Zuri Davis-Okoro
Bryna Helfer
Molly Jackson
Vanessa Smith
Anna Weddington

Viola

Ken Barnett
Amanda Gorman
Cynthia Liccese-Torres
Michael Ream
Adelya Shagidullina

Cello

Kathy Augustine^{CO-P}
Claire Bostick
Ned Haskins
Christina Lin
Agnes Manley
Eileen Street
Kyungjin Yoon

Bass

Oswald Backus
Kate Easton
Simon Semann

Flute

Martine Micozzi^P
Elizabeth Berry
Hailey Nowacek
Ryanne Waters

Piccolo

Ryanne Waters^P
Elizabeth Berry
Hailey Nowacek

Oboe

Rachael Bredefeld^P
Luis Gonzalez
Mila Weiss

English Horn

King Wiemann

Clarinet

Deborah Albert^P
Kristi Perry
Jerry Sun

Bass Clarinet

Alexandra Kidd

Bassoon

Joan Fragaszy Troyano^P
Aaron Hahn
Alan Karnovitz
Dan Leathers

Contrabassoon

Aaron Hahn^P

French Horn

Deanne de Lima^P
Sarah Antonsson
Corey Emerson
Cheryl Harris

Sara Smith
Patrick Walker

Trumpet

Michael Thompson^P
Alexander Grisos
James Lewis
Jeff Menzin

Trombone

Ian Giles^P
Tim Smith
David Wilson
Patty Zweibel

Tuba

Blake Helander^P
David López

Timpani

Glenn Paulson

Percussion

Joe Katz^P
Dan Briest
Shawn Mitchell
Elliot Parrish
Amanda Steinhebel

Harp

Jakob Moberly

Keyboard

Ashok Chandrasekhar
Amanda Steinhebel

^C *Concertmaster*

^P *Principal*

^{CO-P} *Co-Principal*

About the Symphony



SONOVA began in 2011 as a small, government-funded orchestra in Arlington County, Virginia, founded by Jeffrey Sean Dokken and a group of committed musicians, some of whom continue to play in the orchestra today. SONOVA is now a semi-professional orchestra dedicated to providing high quality, innovative musical experiences at affordable prices and is excited to begin its journey and new growth under Maestro Ethan Lolley.

Our home theater is the beautiful George Washington Masonic Memorial Theater. Over the years, SONOVA has been invited to perform throughout the Mid-Atlantic region with arts organizations as wide ranging as renaissance choirs, tap dance companies, symphonic choirs, and Broadway artists. Additionally, SONOVA has performed at such venues as Arlington's Spectrum Theater, the Grand Opera House in Wilmington, Delaware, the historic Church of the Reformation in Washington, D.C., the White House, and Colonial Williamsburg's historic Bruton Parish.

SONOVA routinely performs with world-class guest artists, conductors, and musicians. SONOVA has been joined onstage by world-renowned soloists and conductors Jorge Saade-Scaff, Sofya Gulyak, Juan Carlos Escudero, Krystal Rickard-McCoy, Jackson Caesar, Laura Wehrmeyer, Bakaari Wilder, David Timpane, Barry Hemphill, and many others.

SONOVA also places special importance on collaborations and both American and world premieres. Since its inception, SONOVA has given premieres of works by Brian Wilbur Grundstrom, Peter Rauch, Paul Leavitt, Michael Ream, and William Burdett.



Symphonic Spooks

Friday, October 13, 2023

George Washington Masonic National Memorial Theater

Ethan Lolley, Music Director

Toccatà and Fugue in D Minor Johann Sebastian Bach,
arr. Leopold Stokowski

Danse Macabre Camille Saint-Saëns

Spooky Spectacular Various Artists

“The Theme of Michael Myers” John Ottman
from Halloween H2O

“In the Hall of the Mountain King” Edvard Grieg
4th Movement, *Peer Gynt*,
Suite No. 1

Intermission

Isle of the Dead Sergei Rachmaninoff

The Sorcerer’s Apprentice Paul Dukas

“Dream of a Witches’ Sabbath” Hector Berlioz
5th Movement,
Symphonie Fantastique



2023–2024 Season

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<i>President</i>	Agnes Manley
<i>Vice President</i>	Eileen Street
<i>Secretary</i>	Alexander Grisos
<i>Treasurer</i>	Peter Vitaliano, Ph.D.

SONOVA MANAGEMENT

<i>Music Director</i>	Ethan Lolley
<i>Associate Music Director</i>	Michael Thompson
<i>Executive Director</i>	Elizabeth Steele
<i>Marketing & Development</i>	Zoe Yang

The Board would like to thank you for supporting SONOVA. We would also like to thank the Fairlington United Methodist Church and the George Washington Masonic National Memorial.

SONOVA is grateful to the time and talents of the volunteers that support the orchestra, including program designer Ty Halasz, lighting designer Christina Giles, administrative supporter Michael Ream, our percussion instrument-moving team, and our concert-day volunteers.

ADVERTISEMENTS



There is comedy in truth.



Symphony Orchestra of Northern Virginia & Roadkill On A Stick Frozen Foods Publishing present
A Roadkill Opera | Music by Ferdinando Paer | Written & edited by Stephan Alexander Parker
Original stage productions directed by music director & conductor Maestro Jeffrey Dokken
Starring Christopher Dews | Laura Wehrmeyer | David Timpane
Larry Boggs | Alan Naylor | Kelly Curtin | Alex Miletich IV | Shaina Martinez
Ed Bachtel | Louise Gignoux | Dave Rohrer | Holly Danner
A Stephan Alexander Parker film

Your Ad Here

Join Us

In enriching our community through
Corporate Sponsorships



Platinum

\$1,000 OR MORE

- Seat on the Honorary Community Advisory Board
- Four season tickets
- Invitation to dress rehearsals
- Invitation to Conductor's reception at December concert
- Program recognition

Gold

\$500 TO \$999

- Two season tickets
- Invitation to dress rehearsals
- Invitation to Conductor's reception at December concert
- Program recognition

Silver

\$100 TO \$499

- Two tickets to a performance of your choice
- Program recognition

Bronze

UP TO \$99

- Program recognition

Contact: development@sonovamusic.org

LOST BOY CIDER

SPECIAL

Buy 1!

Get 1

50% off

317 HOOFFS RUN
DR., Alexandria



*Valid on 12 oz pours.
One time use only.