



# **Senior Orchestra**

## **Catherine Birke, Conductor**

Murphy Fine Arts Center  
Morgan State University  
Baltimore, Maryland  
**February 22, 2026 | 2:00 pm**





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## CONCERT PROGRAM

Program to be selected from the following:

<b>Title</b>	<b>Composer</b>	<b>Publisher</b>
Light Cavalry Overture	Franz von Suppé	Le Concert
The "Montgomery Variations"	Margaret Bonds, ed. Cooper	Hildegard Publishing Company
I. Decision		
III. March		
V. One Sunday in the South		
VI. Lament		
VII. Benediction		
Testament <i>from Vishwas</i>	Reena Esmail	A Piece of Sky Music

## 2026 ALL STATE SENIOR ORCHESTRA

### VIOLIN 1

Yixuan Li	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery
Zeyuan Zhao	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery
Julia Reifsnnyder	Friends School of Baltimore	Private School
Chloe Chung	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Jiles Defosse	Broadneck High School	Anne Arundel
Justin Kim	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Julia Jinyoung Lee	Howard High School	Howard
Kanami Shimomura	Walter Johnson High School	Montgomery
Bright Wang	Winston Churchill High School	Montgomery
Ashton Yang	Thomas S. Wootton High School	Montgomery
Alex Wang	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery
Lindsey Lee	Winston Churchill High School	Montgomery
Tiffany Luan	The Bryn Mawr School	Private School
Isabella Y. Kim	Damascus High School	Montgomery
Sebastian Valtchev	Crofton High School	Anne Arundel
Ella Chaeyoon Sohn	Eastern Technical High School	Baltimore County
Christopher Wang	Winston Churchill High School	Montgomery
Savannah Eldridge	Rockbridge Academy	Private School

## **VIOLIN 1 Continued**

Irene Kim	Winston Churchill High School	Montgomery
Ethan Tsai	Glenelg High School	Howard
Sylvia Johnson	Centennial High School	Howard
Chenze Li	Landon School	Private School
Liam Robert Silberhorn	Thomas S. Wootton High School	Montgomery
Gracelyn Chen	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery
Shreya Sundaram	Centennial High School	Howard
Jack Musselwhite	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Shaun B. Wang	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery
Andrew Y Li	Centennial High School	Howard
Alicia D. An	McDonogh School	Private School
Kara Zhang	Glenelg High School	Howard

## **VIOLIN 2**

Yuto Shimomura	Walter Johnson High School	Montgomery
Virginia Plunk	Crofton High School	Anne Arundel
Ishaan Hannehalli	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery
Eric Ahn	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Viola Wongwairoj He	Liberty High School	Carroll
Sophie Kobayashi-Nguyen	Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School	Montgomery
Hayley Chung	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Aaron Liao	Dulaney High School	Baltimore County
Samuel B Wang	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery
Spes Maria Ariston	Arundel High School	Anne Arundel
Clara Luo	The Bryn Mawr School	Private School
Naren Vijay Nair	Glenelg High School	Howard
Emily Hsieh	Quince Orchard High School	Montgomery
Emily Jones	Crofton High School	Anne Arundel
Mila Jasinski	Our Lady of Good Counsel High School	Private School
Jimmy Ye	Linganore High School	Frederick
Shannon Zheng	Severna Park High School	Anne Arundel
Valerie Lai	Thomas S. Wootton High School	Montgomery
Vivienne Newburger	Broadneck High School	Anne Arundel
Bakari Lyons	George Washington Carver Center for Arts and Technology	Baltimore County
David Kim	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Vecen Williams	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts	Washington
Hanrong Hu	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery

## **VIOLIN 2 Continued**

Harang Kim	Urbana High School	Frederick
Charissa Kim	Thomas S. Wootton High School	Montgomery
Paul Wang	Winston Churchill High School	Montgomery
Erica Kober	River Hill High School	Howard
Nihara Ekanayake	The Bryn Mawr School	Private School
Anagha Tariboina	Howard High School	Howard
Connor Y Yoon	Towson High School	Baltimore County

## **VIOLA**

Erin Yi	Our Lady of Good Counsel High School	Private School
Allison Kim	Walt Whitman High School	Montgomery
Claire Bokyun Kim	Northwest High School	Montgomery
Caleb Myoungwoo Choi	Mt. Hebron High School	Howard
Jonathan Henderson	Thomas S. Wootton High School	Montgomery
Surie Zhang	River Hill High School	Howard
Cindy Yu	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Evelyn Park	River Hill High School	Howard
Angelin Cho	Clarksburg High School	Montgomery
Madeline Shi	Glenelg High School	Howard
Nikita Elliott	Spencerville Adventist Academy	Private School
Kevin Teng	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Dayeon Yu	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Eric Wang	Reservoir High School	Howard
Aarav Gupta	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Luke Tao	Dulaney High School	Baltimore County
Shaye Bigsby	North Hagerstown High School	Washington
Troy Chou	Winston Churchill High School	Montgomery
Hailyun Jung	River Hill High School	Howard
Grayson T. Ruefli	Walter Johnson High School	Montgomery

## **CELLO**

Claire Lee	Howard High School	Howard
Christopher Chung	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Innu Lee	Richard Montgomery High School	Montgomery
Christopher S Chen	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Caleb Fan	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery
Marilyn Tang	Urbana High School	Frederick
Ally Mantel	The Bryn Mawr School	Private School

## **CELLO Continued**

Elly Zhou	Winston Churchill High School	Montgomery
Jason Yu	Winston Churchill High School	Montgomery
Alessandra Rabor	Our Lady of Good Counsel High School	Private School
Sai Shreyas Kandula	Reservoir High School	Howard
Zachary McKay	Maurice J. McDonough High School	Charles
Junchen Yuan	Dulaney High School	Baltimore County
Lucas Wang	Gilman School	Private School
Brayden Offutt	DeMatha Catholic High School	Private School
Rebecca Du	Atholton High School	Howard
Austin Barker	Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School	Montgomery
Ethan Hahn	Winston Churchill High School	Montgomery
Aidan Herrera	Urbana High School	Frederick
Kailey Kim	Reservoir High School	Howard

## **STRING BASS**

Valerie Clark-Millar	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts	Washington
Noah Krauss	Howard High School	Howard
Christopher Contreras	Richard Montgomery High School	Montgomery
Nathan Soh	Winston Churchill High School	Montgomery
Johan Taketani Choi	Gaithersburg High School	Montgomery
Gabriel P. Noon	Broadneck High School	Anne Arundel
Charlotte Andrews	Friends School of Baltimore	Private School
Alexandra Burroughs	Broadneck High School - Apex Arts	Anne Arundel
Hailey Chan	Thomas S. Wootton High School	Montgomery
Vikram Reddy	Thomas S. Wootton High School	Montgomery

## **HARP**

Diya Sarah Gandhi	The Bryn Mawr School	Private School
Andy Liu	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard

## **FLUTE**

Hannah Choi	Centennial High School	Howard
Jasmine Dong (Piccolo)	Marriotts Ridge High School	Howard
Eliza Cook	James Hubert Blake High School	Montgomery

## **OBOE**

Kalman Levitin	Walt Whitman High School	Montgomery
Oliver Carlsen Huang (English Horn)	Walt Whitman High School	Montgomery

## **BASSOON**

Hayden Zhang	Guilford Park High School	Howard
Daniel Oh	River Hill High School	Howard

## **Bb CLARINET**

Shufang Zhou	Thomas S. Wootton High School	Montgomery
Juniper Brinegar	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery

## **BASS CLARINET**

Leo Pan	Bullis School	Private School
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## **FRENCH HORN**

Sky Yuzuki	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery
Akshaya Sri	River Hill High School	Howard
Miles Hoff	Westminster High School	Carroll
Jason Ayers	DeMatha Catholic High School	Private School
Emily Dubbs (Assistant)	Atholton High School	Howard

## **TRUMPET**

Timothy Wang	River Hill High School	Howard
Aaron Hong	Long Reach High School	Howard
Sebastian Crivelli	Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School	Montgomery
Ronan Goeke (Assistant)	Baltimore School for the Arts	Baltimore City

## **TROMBONE**

Oliver Lin	Richard Montgomery High School	Montgomery
Henry Si	Thomas S. Wootton High School	Montgomery

## **BASS TROMBONE**

Peter Carpenter	Howard High School	Howard
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## **TUBA**

Xavier Karyadi	Thomas S. Wootton High School	Montgomery
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## **PERCUSSION**

Eliana Ranelli	Kent Island High School	Queen Anne's
Ryan Davenport	Pikesville High School	Baltimore County
Isaac Lee	Howard High School	Howard
Akshay Aravinthan	Montgomery Blair High School	Montgomery



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**Catherine Birke** is an energetic and passionate conductor and educator. She is the Music Director of the Music Advancement Program at The Juilliard School, the Music Director of the Metropolitan Youth Orchestra Nassau Symphony Orchestra, and the Director of Orchestras at Herricks High School (NY). She has served as the Director of Strings at the New York State Summer School of the Arts and as an adjunct faculty member at Hofstra University. Ms. Birke’s ensembles perform annually at venues such as Carnegie Hall, The Juilliard School, and Alice Tully Hall, and compete and place regularly in national competitions, such as the ASTA National Orchestra Festival. An enthusiastic advocate for new music, she is committed to broadening the experience of young musicians by ensuring they experience diversity in programming choices. Her ensembles have given six world premieres in the past four years, performing commissioned works by composers such as Conni Ellisor, Reena Esmail, and Marcus Norris. Ms. Birke specializes in working with young musicians in ensemble settings and is an expert at getting students of all ages to achieve the highest levels of musical performance. Her most recent guest conducting engagements include the 2024 Vermont All State Symphony Orchestra, the 2025 Connecticut All State Symphony Orchestra, and festivals with the WorldStrides Honors Performance Series at Carnegie Hall.

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