

# A Moxart Performance

## Experience Two Masterpieces, One Inspiring Evening

Join the Hampton Roads Philharmonic in partnership with Moxart, a nonprofit organization dedicated to showcasing talented amateur soloists in full orchestral performances. This unique concert features two iconic piano concertos, performed by two outstanding guest pianists.

## Program

### Beethoven – Piano Concerto No. 5 in E-flat major, "Emperor"

Soloist: David Perrott

- I. Allegro
- II. Adagio un poco mosso
- III. Rondo: Allegro ma non troppo

### Schumann – Piano Concerto in A minor

Soloist: Connor Kim

- I. Allegro affettuoso

## About Us

Formed in 2013, the Hampton Roads Philharmonic brings together musicians from across the community to present four concert programs each season. Under the direction of Steven Brindle, the orchestra is committed to artistic excellence, diverse programming, and making classical music an accessible and vibrant part of the region. In addition to full-orchestra performances, the HRP hosts an annual Young Artist Competition and offers chamber ensembles for local events.

# Musicians

### Violin I

Peggy Watson  
Alice Cryer  
Mary Huber  
Luke Heddle  
Janet Nelson

### Violin II

Steve Wood  
Jack Murray  
Myfanwy Morgan  
Margaret Mastbrook

### Viola

Bryan Williams  
Sarah Quemada

### Cello

Joanna Pearson  
Shea Matthews  
Daniel Williams  
Becky Smithson

### Bass

Kevin Garner  
Sarah Parker

### Flute

Traci Bluhm  
Cathy Francis

### Oboe

Melinda Mckenzie  
Todd Worsham

### Clarinet

Gene Chieffo  
Camiel Simms

### Bassoon

Mike Marshall  
Jan Bjorklund

### Horn

Chelsey Hamm  
Emily Judd

### Trumpet

Cameron Baker  
Christian Van Deven

### Timpani

Dalia Berman

## Board of Directors

### Music Director & Conductor

Steven Brindle

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**Rehearsal Space Rental** – Help us offset our annual rental expenses of \$1,800 at the Ferguson Center at CNU.

**Young Artist Competition** – Sustain this vital program by contributing to our \$1,000 goal to increase prize money and compensate a guest adjudicator.

**Development Coordinator Position** – Assist in expanding our fundraising efforts by helping us raise \$2,000 to create a dedicated grant-writing and development role.

**New Works & Instrument Upkeep** – Support our ability to perform important compositions like Florence Price's Symphony No. 1 and maintain our auxiliary percussion instruments by helping us raise \$1,600.



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## Steven Brindle, Music Director



Steven Brindle is a conductor, cellist, and music educator based in Norfolk, Virginia. He earned his degree in Music Education from Christopher Newport University and pursued conducting studies at the University of Cincinnati's College-Conservatory of Music and the Peabody Conservatory. Since 2013, he has served as founding Music Director of the Hampton Roads Philharmonic and, since 2016, conductor of the Bay Youth Concert Orchestra. He has also led productions with Tidewater Opera Initiative, Symphonicity (The Nutcracker), and Capitol Opera Richmond. A strong advocate for new music, Steven has premiered over a dozen works, including David and Glass by Chris Lamb and The Snow Maiden of Appalachia by Andrew H. Austin. He teaches at The Academy of Music and Ghent Montessori School and is an active member of multiple music and academic honor societies.

## Reese Tunstall, Assistant Conductor



Reese Tunstall is completing a Master of Arts in Teaching at Christopher Newport University, focusing on Instrumental Music Education. He serves as Graduate Assistant for The Marching Captains, studies conducting with Dr. Mark Reimer, and student-teaches with Nathan Cabello and Brian Grieb. A skilled saxophonist, Reese performed the solo in Rachmaninoff's Symphonic Dances at the Brevard Music Center and won the 2022 CNU Aria-Concerto Competition. His academic work includes a lecture recital on Ryō Noda's Mai and publication in The Cupola. Reese brings passion, scholarship, and leadership to his work as both performer and educator.

## David Perrot, Pianist



David Perrott studied piano at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music and earned a Licentiate in Piano Performance from the Australian Music Examinations Board. He later completed a Ph.D. in Social Psychology at Northwestern University and now works as a jury consultant in New York City. After a long break from music, David returned to piano as a personal resolution—leading to the realization of a longtime dream: studying and performing Beethoven's Emperor Concerto. He lives in Brooklyn with his dog, Matilda, who turns 12 the day before this performance.

## Connor Kim, Pianist



Connor Kim is an eighth-grade pianist at Liberty Middle School in Virginia. He began piano at age five with Dr. Mihyang Joo and has since earned first place in the 2025 NVMTA Robert Spencer Concerto Competition, AYPO Concerto Competition, and Fairfax Bland Music Competition. A pianist with the American Youth Philharmonic Orchestra since 2022, he will solo with AYCO in May 2025. Connor also performs in chamber groups through Topaz Ensembles, winning multiple national awards. Beyond piano, he studies cello, plays percussion, and trains in Taekwondo. His musical focus includes Chopin and a wide range of solo and ensemble repertoire.

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FEATURING MOXART SOLOISTS PERFORMING  
BEETHOVEN PIANO CONCERTO NO. 5 (THE EMPEROR)  
AND SCHUMANN'S PIANO CONCERTO IN A MINOR.



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