### UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF THE ARTS





### NU ENSEMBLE WITH FELIPE TRISTÁN, GUEST CONDUCTOR: TEXTURES & COLORS FROM MEXICO & BEYOND

Oct. 15 at 7:30 p.m.

WATSON HALL



Felipe Tristán GUEST CONDUCTOR





PRESENTED BY

Brian Cole CHANCELLOR

Saxton Rose SCHOOL OF MUSIC, DEAN

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(b. 1943, Cuba)

Flute: Isabel Aviles Oboe: Ger Vang Clarinet: Clara Ruiz Medina Bassoon: Baron Thor Young Horn: Alex Partridge Trumpet: Emily Mudra Percussion: Danté Thomas Violin: Raphael Papo Austen Speare
Viola: Joshua Forbes
Cello: Carlene Soderberg
Double Bass: Zane Holloman
Piano: Hayden Neumann

Canto Empedrado (2009)..... Antonio Juan-Marcos

(b. 1979, México)

English Horn: Ger Vang Bassoon: Tristen Craven Horn: Alex Partridge Trumpet: Sam Natvig Trombone: Chase Thornhill Viola: Amanda Harrell Cello: Sam Tripp

Homenaje a Revueltas (2017).....Francisco Cortés Álvarez

(b. 1983, México)

Flute: Lauren Davies Clarinet: Ruslan Usaev Violin: Austen Speare Cello: Sam Mihavetz Piano: Hayden Neumann

INTERMISSION

# 2022-23 PERFORMANCE SEASON

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(b. 1990, U.S.A.)

Flute: Kayla Cieslak Clarinet: Clara Ruiz Medina Percussion: Danté Thomas Sebastiaan De Waart Violin: Ellie Dixon Viola: Xue Mei Cello: Carlene Soderberg Piano: Douglas Perez

Homenaje a Federico García Lorca (1936) ......Silvestre Revueltas (1899-1940, México)

Piccolo: Ivan Felipe Muñoz Vargas E-flat Clarinet: Clara Ruiz Medina Trumpet: Anthony Lacivita Zichao Liu Trombone: Chase Thornhill Tuba: Avery Greene Percussion: Michael Cornwell Sebastiaan De Waart Violin: Raphael Papo Austen Speare Double Bass: Zane Holloman Piano: Douglas Perez

### BIOGRAPHY

### FELIPE TRISTÁN

Award-winning Mexican conductor and educator Felipe Tristán (UNCSA '11) is known for bringing lively musical prowess to the podium. He has worked with orchestras around the world and currently serves New York City as conductor with the Brooklyn Symphony Orchestra, Teatro Grattacielo and at the Manhattan School of Music Precollege Division. Also, he serves as the creative partnerships manager of the GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> award-winning Afro Latin Jazz Alliance.

He is the founding music director of the Monterrey Summer Opera Academy, a successful program that gathers talented voice students from around the world. Among the faculty members of this program is the iconic American mezzo-soprano Dolora Zajick.

Tristán is committed to promoting an inclusive performing arts industry and has collaborated with artists and producers on initiatives such as Carnegie Hall Citywide, NY Phil Bandwagon, Met Opera, Lincoln Center and the GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> award-winning Afro Latin Jazz Orchestra (HBO's Fandango at the Wall), among others, to create engaging programs for diverse audiences.

He is the first prize winner of the Klangkraft Dirigierwettbewerbs Conducting Competition (Germany 2019), first prize winner of the International Conductors Workshop & Competition (Atlanta 2018) and first prize winner of the Shining Stars Concerto Competition of New York. Also, in 2017, he received an Excellence Award from the Mexican Music Awards.

Tristán toured China as a guest conductor and presented a TEDx Talk in Beijing and Zhengzhou in 2017, and later that same year he was honored to conduct at the Palacio de Bellas Artes - Mexico's foremost stage - at the 40th anniversary gala of the Escuela Superior de Música y Danza de Monterrey.

Among the orchestras he has conducted are the Südwestdeutsche Philharmonie Konstanz, Janáček Philharmonic Orchestra, New Amsterdam Symphony, Gwinnett Symphony Chamber Orchestra, North Shore Symphony Orchestra and Zhengzhou Symphony. Specifically in Mexico, he has conducted the Aguascalientes, Querétaro, Chihuahua, Oaxaca, Monterrey, Baja California, and Michoacán symphony orchestras. Some of the operatic titles conducted are "Falstaff" and "Il Trovatore" (Verdi), "La bohème" (Puccini), "Carmen" (Bizet), "L'amico Fritz" (Mascagni) and "L'elisir d'amore" (Donizetti).

Recently, he produced an album with members of the Met Orchestra and flutist Krzysztof Kaczka consisting of works by Schubert, to be released in 2023 under the label Hänssler Classic. Also, he guest conducted in a CD recording with the Janáček Philharmonic Orchestra with works by Reinecke and Penderecki.

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Upcoming engagements include a Día de los Muertos Concert as part of the NY Philharmonic Open House Weekend at the newly-renovated David Geffen Hall, with members of the Afro Latin Jazz Ensemble. Also, he will conduct concerts with the New Amsterdam Symphony Orchestra and the Filarmónica del Estado de Querétaro, in Mexico.

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### Oskar Espina-Ruiz, Clarinet, and Dmitri Vorobiev, Piano, in Recital Nov. 1 at 7:30 p.m.

WATSON HALL

Faculty-artists Oskar Espina-Ruiz, clarinet, and Dmitri Vorobiev, piano, perform new works by pioneer American composers Valerie Coleman, Amanda Harberg and David Maslanka, and Puerto Rican composer Alfonso Fuentes, in a program that reflects on the influence of jazz and folk music on modern composers.

### Omar Thomas with the UNCSA Wind Ensemble and the Piedmont Wind Symphony Nov. 4 at 7:30 p.m.

STEVENS CENTER

The Piedmont Wind Symphony and UNCSA Wind Ensemble share the stage as UNCSA welcomes internationally acclaimed composer and musician Omar Thomas as artist-in-residence. Described as "elegant, beautiful, sophisticated, intense, and crystal clear in emotional intent," the music of Omar Thomas continues to move listeners in concert halls the world over.



Thomas will work with the musicians in rehearsals and speak about his music from the stage at the concert. In addition, soprano Lindsay Kesselman will perform John Mackey's "Songs from the End of the World" with the Piedmont Wind Symphony and the UNCSA Faculty Winds will be featured on Jeff Scott's "Baile si quiere!"

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