

Dear Friends of the Southwest Symphony Orchestra -

I write this letter under a new title, *Music Director Emeritus*. Last year the Music Director Search

Committee selected three finalists from a pool of over 50 applicants who will vie for the position of SSO Music Director beginning with the 2025-2026 season. The orchestra welcomes Brian Dollinger, Ben Nadel and Silas Huff. Each are invited to guest-conduct a concert as part of the upcoming season - Transitions: SSO's Diamond Jubilee.

It has been a joy to be an integral part of the SSO's wonderful music making for half of their 60 years. I will cherish working with such fine musicians, who moving forward will continue a tradition of excellence. A word of appreciation goes out to our loyal audience and fabulous Board of Directors who have supported my tenure with the orchestra.

During the transition, I will serve by conducting the educational concert, holiday concerts and final concert in May. In closing, a quote by Roy Ayers comes to mind. "The true beauty of music is that it connects people. It carries a message, and we, the musicians, are the messengers". Join me in celebrating the orchestra's 60th season - Transitions: SSO's Diamond Jubilee.

Best wishes,

David Crane Music Director Emeritus Southwest Symphony Orchestra



## **EDUCATIONAL CONCERT**

Wednesday October 23, 2024 9:30 AM

# THE MAGIC OF DISNEY

Pirates of the Caribbean
Disney Film Favorites
Frozen
Moana
Disney on Parade
I Wan'na Be Like You
Berceuse and Finale from Firebird

Plus an introduction to the families of instruments.

Ozinga Chapel - Trinity Christian College
Call 708-802-0686 or email
southwestsymphony@gmail.com
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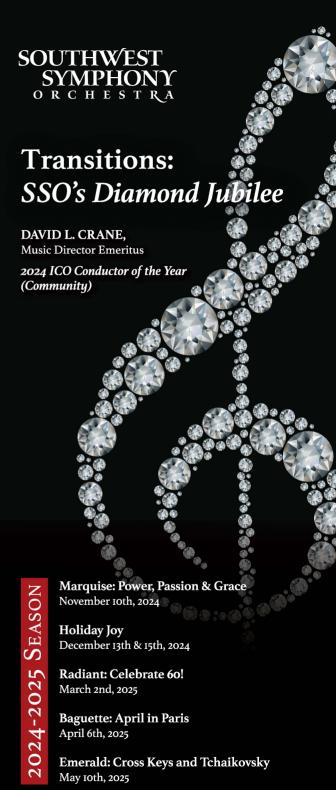
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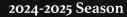
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# Transitions:880's Diamond Jubilee





Brian Dollinger

Dr. Brian Gaona

### NOVEMBER 10, 2024 | 4:00 P.M.

# MARQUISE: POWER, PASSION & GRACE Brian Dollinger, Guest Conductor

Coriolan Overture Beethoven Cello Concerto in A minor Schumann Dr. Brian Gaona, SSO principal cello Carmen Suite No. 1 Bizet

Brahms Symphony No. 1 in C minor

#### DECEMBER 13, 2024 (Friday) | 7:30 P.M.

# **HOLIDAY JOY at St. Stephen Church**

17500 84th Ave., Tinley Park, IL 60487

Music Ministries and Moraine Chorale

DECEMBER 15, 2024 (Sunday) | 4:00 P.M.

**HOLIDAY JOY at St. Elizabeth Seton Church** 9300 167th St., Orland Hills, IL 60487

Music Ministries and Moraine Chorale

# MARCH 2, 2025 | 4:00 P.M.

## **RADIANT: CELEBRATE 60!** Ben Nadel, Guest Conductor

Shostakovich Festive Overture in A major Symphony No. 8 in B minor, Mvt I Schubert Mars from "The Planets" Holst Andante and Hungarian Rondo von Weber Mark Lindeblad, SSO principal bassoon

Navarraise from "Le Cid" Ballet Suite Massenet Symphony No. 8 in G major Dvorak





Ben Nadel

Mark Lindeblad







Dr. Silas Huff

Ian Fitzwater

## APRIL 6, 2025 | 4:00 P.M.

# BAGUETTE: APRIL IN PARIS Dr. Silas Huff, Guest Conductor

Fete Polonaise Chabrier D'un Matin du Printemps Lili Boulanger D'un Soir Triste Lili Boulanger Trombone Concertino David *Ian Fitzwater, SSO principal trombone* 

Pictures at an Exhibition Mussorgsky/Ravel

MAY 10, 2025 | 7:30 P.M.

# EMERALD: CROSS KEYS AND TCHAIKOVSKY David Crane, Music Director Emeritus

Bugler's Holiday Anderson

Cole Porter Salute

Irish Suite Anderson

Cross Keys Irish Dancers

**Tchaikovsky** Symphony No. 4



