

GCSU Department of Music

GCSU Wind Symphony

“Mirrors and Windows”

Cliff Towner, conductor

Thursday, April 3, 2025, 7:30 p.m.

Russell Auditorium

and live streamed on facebook.com/GCMusicDepartment



Program

Xerxes (2010)	John Mackey (b. 1973)
Under the Willow (2015)	Julie Giroux (b. 1961)
Halcyon Hearts (2021)	Katahj Copley (b. 1998)
To Create a Voice (2018)	Carol Chambers (b. 1970)
Folksong of Midu (2017)	Li Chan (b. 1981)
Roma (2011)	Valerie Coleman (b. 1970)
Danzón de la Piangüita (1940/2022)	Ulpiano Duarte (1929–2015) arr. Andrey Cruz

Good Evening and Welcome to “Mirrors and Windows”

Music has the power to connect, reflect, and inspire, and tonight’s concert is built on those very ideas. **Mirrors and Windows** is more than a collection of pieces—it is a commitment to intentional programming, ensuring that every student on stage experiences music that resonates with their identity while also encountering new perspectives.

Throughout this program, you will hear works that act as **mirrors**, reflecting the identities, emotions, and experiences of the musicians on stage, creating a sense of belonging and connection. At the same time, you will also hear **windows**—music that introduces us to different cultures, emotions, and viewpoints, expanding our understanding of the world through sound. What serves as a mirror for one student may be a window for another, adding depth and complexity to the experience.

The selections tonight were thoughtfully chosen through conversations with our students, who shared their perspectives on identity, culture, and artistic expression. Their voices helped shape this program, ensuring it truly represents the ensemble performing it. With compositions by women and underrepresented composers, tonight’s concert is a celebration of the rich diversity of musical storytelling.

As you listen, we invite you to reflect on your own experiences—what pieces feel like mirrors to you? What windows offer new insights? Music is most powerful when it fosters connection, and tonight, we hope you find both familiarity and discovery in what you hear.

Thank you for being part of this journey. Your presence affirms the importance of representation, diversity, and the shared experience of music. We hope you enjoy **Mirrors and Windows** as much as we have enjoyed preparing it for you!

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Piccolo

Scarlett Simon

Flute

Kaidee Bolden
Rachel Brooks
Bailey Geiger
Evelyn Lessl*
Katelyn Spires
Addy Wheeler

Oboe

Jayden Kypri*

Bassoon

Cole Flowers (Bari sax)
Kayley Owens*

Clarinet

Kaitlyn Dean*
Jacob Hall
Steve Krahling^
JaQuan Moore
Simone Solomon
Sophia Tritto

Bass Clarinet

Jacob Bryson

Alto Saxophone

Kelsey Carpenter
Savannah McDowell
Preston Raburn*

Tenor Saxophone

Amber Bussey

Baritone Saxophone

Jenna Nelson

Horn

Wesley Harper (sax)
Anna Marti*
Forrest Starling^
Autumn Taylor (sax)

Trumpet

Nickolas Becker
Eden Norman
Caroline Okraski
Milana Peta
Breanna Thompson*
Jack Ulrich

Trombone

Camden Carver
Noah Darnell
Arron Holland
Ana Womack
Yalonda Wright*

Euphonium

Kevin Stinson
Gallegos
Brooklyn Wucher*

Tuba

Joshua Lerman
Isabella Waddell*

Percussion

Madison Barnes
Eden Chase
Sarah Davall^
Hannah Howell
Cameron Sparks*

*Principle player

^Community player

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Music Theatre Scenes

“Once Upon a Time . . .”
Thursday, April 10,
7:30 p.m.
Russell Auditorium
and live streamed on FB

Music at the Mansion

Saturday, April 12, 6 p.m.
Lawn of the Old
Governor’s Mansion
and live streamed on FB

Jazz Jam at Amici’s

GCSU Jazz Jam Session
Tuesday, April 15, 7-9 pm
Amici Café, Hancock St.
Downtown Milledgeville

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Jackie Bell
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Lee Echols
Kenny Franks

Gorzelany Family
Elizabeth Weldon McCollum
Family of LTG Max Noah

Maidana K. Nunn
Doyle Ransom
Tom & Sandra Rosseter

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Virtuoso (\$1000-2499)

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President Cathy Cox and
Mr. Mark Dehler

The Episcopal Church of the
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Nancy

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Margaret S. Judkins
Stan & Marilyn McMahan
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Mary Elizabeth Phillips

Family of Fielding Whipple
J. Noland & Leah White
Jim Willoughby
Patricia P. Zimmermann

Artist (\$500-999)

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IMO Gertrude Treanor
Jennifer Flory

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Sherry & Robert Henry
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Luis Samper
Cliff & Gina Towner
Walker United Methodist Church

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