

West Chester University School of Music

Choral Conducting Symposium

July 17-20, 2019

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SYMPOSIUM HOSTS



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with guest artist **Jerry Blackstone**, Emeritus Professor of Conducting, University of Michigan and WCU choral faculty **David P. DeVenney** and **Ryan Kelly**

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SYMPOSIUM OVERVIEW

The WCU Choral Conducting Symposium is designed to sharpen podium gestures and communication skills, enhance knowledge of repertoire, and deepen score study and analysis techniques. It is designed for working conductors, in public schools, churches, and community choirs. Conductors may participate in two ways: as Conducting Participants, who will get ample podium time with master teachers; or as Observers, who will be engaged in all activities, but who will not conduct. All sessions will be video recorded and given to the participating conductors.

SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE, WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY

- 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Reading sessions with music packet
- 10:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Conducting masterclass, on repertoire from that day's reading session
- Noon to 1:30 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Score study, analysis, and performance practice session
- 2:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Conducting masterclass on Fauré's *Requiem*
- 4:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Break
- 4:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Lecture/conducting session on shorter works

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION:

- 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Conducting masterclass on Fauré's *Requiem*, with chamber orchestra

COSTS

- Conducting Participant (limited to 12 people): \$500
Observing Participant: \$200
College/University Student Observer (with ID): \$100

Fees for the Symposium are non-refundable.

PA Act 48 credit available; 3 graduate credits **for an additional fee**.
Note: anyone enrolling for graduate credit must be a Conducting Participant.

FOR MORE INFORMATION and TO REGISTER:
Go to www.wcupa.edu/choral and click on "Symposium"
or email Dr. DeVenney at ddevenney@wcupa.edu

Register online at: www.wcupa.edu/choral