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2025-2026 SEASON



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Join us for an extraordinary 2025-2026 season at the Dr. Bobbie Bailey School of Music, where world-class performances come to life in the stunning Morgan Concert Hall.

This season features beloved traditions like our Holiday and Collage concerts, inspiring performances by our talented students and faculty, and a thrilling lineup of guest artists through the ArtsKSU Professional Series.

When you join us for a performance, you'll experience music that stirs the soul and sparks the imagination. We are proud to welcome jazz icon Delfeayo Marsalis, who will be joined by the Kennesaw State University (KSU) Jazz Ensemble I, the internationally acclaimed Academy of St. Martin in the Fields Chamber Ensemble, the visionary Kronos Quartet, and the renowned Atlanta Symphony Orchestra.

Come be part of a season where passion is heard!



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ArtsKSU presents **PROFESSIONAL SERIES**

ACADEMY of ST. MARTIN in the FIELDS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

OCT. 4 | 8 p.m.

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Bailey Performance Center

\$20
(students \$5)



The Academy of St. Martin in the Fields Chamber Ensemble, formed in 1967, draws its members from the principal players of the internationally acclaimed U.K. orchestra the Academy of St. Martin in the Fields. The ensemble performs in multiple configurations, from wind trios to string octets. This performance will feature strings and woodwinds, including Schubert's monumental Octet in F major for Winds & Strings, D.803, Jean Françaix's Octet and a short commissioned work by Huw Watkins.

HOLIDAY CONCERT

Celebrate the season with an unforgettable evening of music and cheer! Join the Bailey School of Music student ensembles, featuring the Chamber Singers, Jazz Ensemble I, Symphony Orchestra and Wind Ensemble for a festive performance packed with holiday favorites the whole family will love. From timeless classics to joyful surprises, this concert is sure to warm your heart and lift your spirits.

DEC. 6
3 p.m. & 8 p.m.

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DEC. 19 | 8 p.m.

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ATLANTA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Ring in the holiday season with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra as they bring a festive program of seasonal favorites to the Bailey School of Music. Presented as part of the ArtsKSU Professional Series, this special performance will feature joyful arrangements and timeless tunes that capture the spirit of the season. With something for everyone, it's a perfect way to celebrate with family and friends through the power of live music. It will be an evening of holiday cheer, world-class musicianship and community celebration!

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DELFEAYO MARSALIS with KSU JAZZ ENSEMBLE I

Delfeayo Marsalis, an acclaimed Grammy-winning producer, trombonist, composer and NEA Jazz Master, has dedicated his prolific career to promoting music, theatre and education. He will perform with KSU's nationally acclaimed jazz ensemble, Jazz Ensemble I.

JAN. 24 | 8 p.m.

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KRONOS QUARTET

FEB. 20 | 8 p.m.

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For 50 years, San Francisco's Kronos Quartet — David Harrington (violin), Gabriela Díaz (violin), Ayane Kozasa (viola) and Paul Wiancko (cello) — has challenged and reimagined what a string quartet can be. Founded at a time when the form was largely centered on long-established Western European traditions, the Kronos Quartet has been at the forefront of revolutionizing the string quartet into a living art form that responds to the people and issues of our time.

COLLAGE CONCERT

Don't miss one of the most anticipated events of the season! KSU's annual Collage Concert showcases the top ensembles and standout faculty performers from across the Bailey School of Music. This dynamic evening of nonstop music also supports student scholarships, making it a celebration of talent and a chance to give back.

MARCH 28

3 p.m. & 8 p.m.

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YEAR of the UNITED KINGDOM

MORGAN CONCERT HALL | Bailey Performance Center

SEP. 24 | 7:30 p.m.

\$10
(students \$5)



SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The KSU Symphony Orchestra will present a concert of British music featuring Elgar's "Enigma" Variations and Vaughan Williams' The Lark Ascending with violinist Helen Kim, conducted by Nathaniel F. Parker.

JAN. 27 | 7:30 p.m.

\$10
(students \$5)



Voice Faculty presents A BRITISH TAPESTRY:

Echoes from the Moors and Meadows

The KSU voice faculty will present a rich program of British art songs by Britten, Gurney, Vaughan Williams and Finzi.

APRIL 10 | 8 p.m.

APRIL 12 | 3 p.m.

\$10
(students \$5)



HENRY PURCELL'S *DIDO and AENEAS*

KSU Opera Theater and the Department of Dance will present a collaborative performance of Dido and Aeneas, Purcell's landmark English opera known for its powerful music and tragic story.

MAY 1 | 8 p.m.

\$10
(students \$5)



SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA & UNIVERSITY CHOIRS

The KSU Symphony Orchestra and University Choirs will perform Vaughan Williams' Dona nobis pacem and Parry's Blest Pair of Sirens, conducted by Ryan Fellman and Nathaniel F. Parker.

A CELEBRATION OF BRITISH ARTS

As part of Kennesaw State University's "Year Of" global engagement initiative, the 2025-26 season celebrates the influential artistic legacy of the United Kingdom through a dynamic series of performances and collaborations. From iconic British composers and ensembles to interdisciplinary productions, the series highlights the UK's profound influence on classical music, opera and the performing arts. Featured events include the Academy of St. Martin in the Fields Chamber Ensemble and a range of faculty and student showcases spotlighting British artistry.

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BANDS

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Wind Ensemble

October 1, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Wind Symphony and University Band

October 6, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Wind Ensemble

November 21, 2025 | 8 p.m.

Wind Symphony and University Band

December 8, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Wind Symphony

February 25, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Wind Ensemble

February 28, 2026 | 8 p.m.

University Band

March 2 & 3, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Wind Ensemble and Wind Symphony

April 25, 2026 | 8 p.m.

University Band

April 28, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

WIND ENSEMBLE 25-26 HIGHLIGHTS

WIND ENSEMBLE

Friday, November 21, 2025 | 8 p.m.

Featuring guest composer, Joel Love with alto saxophone soloist and Director of the Bailey School of Music, Nathan Nabb

WIND ENSEMBLE AND WIND SYMPHONY

Saturday, April 25, 2026 | 8 p.m.

Featuring guest composer, Michael Markowski

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ORCHESTRA

Year of United Kingdom
Symphony Orchestra
September 24, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

University Philharmonic Orchestra
October 15, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Symphony Orchestra
November 12, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

**University Philharmonic Orchestra
and Mixed Chamber Ensembles**
November 19, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Symphony Orchestra
March 4, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

University Philharmonic Orchestra
March 5, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

**University Philharmonic Orchestra
and Mixed Chamber Ensembles**
April 29, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Year of United Kingdom
**Symphony Orchestra and
University Choirs**
May 1, 2026 | 8 p.m.



CHORAL & OPERA

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University Choirs

September 26, 2025 | 8 p.m.

Opera Theatre

October 30, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

November 1, 2025 | 2 p.m.

Gospel Choir

November 15, 2026 | 8 p.m.

University Choirs

November 18, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

University Choirs

March 20, 2026 | 8 p.m.

Year of United Kingdom

Opera Theatre presents

Dido and Aeneas

April 10, 2026 | 8 p.m.

April 12, 2026 | 3 p.m.

Gospel Choir

April 18, 2026 | 8 p.m.

Year of United Kingdom

Symphony Orchestra

and University Choirs

May 1, 2026 | 8 p.m.



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JAZZ

Jazz Ensemble I

October 7, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Ensemble II and III

October 14, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Ensemble I

November 10, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Ensemble II and III

December 2, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

**ArtsKSU Presents: Delfeayo Marsalis
with Jazz Ensemble I**

January 24, 2026 | 8 p.m.

**tickets \$20 (students \$5)*

Jazz Ensemble I

February 23, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Ensemble II and III

February 24, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Ensemble II and III

April 20, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Ensemble I

April 21, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

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CHAMBER MUSIC

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Brass Ensembles

October 22, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Concerto Competition Finals

November 4, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Mixed Chamber Ensembles

November 6, 2025 | 5:30 &
7:30 p.m.

Jazz Vocal Ensemble and Jazz Guitar Ensemble

November 13, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Combos

November 17, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Combos

November 20, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Percussion Ensemble

December 1, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Student Composition Recital

April 2, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Cooke Scholarship String Quartets

April 3, 2026 | 8 p.m.

Brass Ensembles

April 13, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Combos

April 15, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Combos

April 16, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Vocal Ensemble and Jazz Guitar Ensemble

April 22, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Honors Voice Recital

April 23, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Mixed Chamber Ensembles

April 24, 2026 at 6 p.m. &
8 p.m.

Percussion Ensemble

May 4, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

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FACULTY RECITALS

Summit Piano Trio

Helen Kim, violin
Charae Krueger, cello
Robert Henry, piano
September 8, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Tyrone Jackson, Jazz Piano

September 11, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Jesús Castro-Balbi and Friends

September 13, 2025 | 2 p.m.

Trey Wright, Jazz Guitar

September 15, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

**John Warren, Clarinet,
and Friends**

September 22, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

**Stephen Wadsack and Ryan
Moser, Trumpets**

September 29, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

An Evening of Romantic Songs:

Elena Dorozhkina, Piano and
Francisca Maxwell, Voice
October 8, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Robert Henry, Piano

October 9, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Justin Chesarek, Jazz Percussion

October 13, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Faculty Jazz Parliament

October 20, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

**KSU Faculty and Guest Artist
Recital: A Tribute to
Maurice Ravel**

October 21, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

KSU Faculty Brass Quintet

November 3, 2025 | 7:30 p.m.

Jesús Castro-Balbi and Friends

January 9, 2026 | 8 p.m.

Summit Piano Trio

January 26, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Year of United Kingdom

Voice Faculty Presents: A British
Tapestry, Echoes from the
Moors and Meadows
January 27, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Adelaide Federici, Violin

February 9, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Elena Dorozhkina, Piano

February 16, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Faculty Jazz Parliament

March 16, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

**Paul Dickinson, Tuba
and Euphonium**

March 19, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Joshua Zink, Voice, Presents:

The Music of Tom Cipullo
March 24, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

Robert Henry, Piano

March 30, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.

**John Warren, Clarinet,
and Friends with Guest
Composer Jim Stephenson**

April 14, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.



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FACULTY RESEARCH

7TH ANNUAL FACULTY RESEARCH in the Arts Colloquium

Join our faculty in our 7th Annual Faculty Research in the Arts Colloquium.

NOV. 6 3 p.m.		
	ZUCKERMAN MUSEUM OF ART	
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SPRING FACULTY RESEARCH FORUM

Please join us for the spring Faculty Research Forum and author reception.

APRIL 16 3 p.m.		
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