

*THE 2004 – 2005 OREGON PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE*

*Professor Charles Dowd, music director & conductor*

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Joey Johnson

Kelly Johnson

Jon Koenig

Mike LaTorre

Chris Lay

Tom Mulkey

Carmen Nelson

Bryan Schuster

Alexander Singer

Christopher Whyte

Jeremy Wright

<sup>cp</sup> *Co-Principal Percussionist*

<sup>m</sup> *Praxis Marimba Quartet*

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*SCHOOL OF MUSIC COMING EVENTS*

*For more information on any of these events, or to be on the UO Music mailing list, call the music school's Community Relations Office, weekdays, at 346-5678.*

**Wednesday, May 25 • 8 p.m., Beall Hall**

**OREGON WIND ENSEMBLE and**

**OREGON SYMPHONIC BAND**

*UO Ensembles; \$5, \$3*

**Thursday, May 26 • 8 p.m., Beall Hall**

**UNIVERSITY SINGERS &**

**UO CHAMBER CHOIR**

*UO Ensemble; \$5, \$3*

Also featuring baritone soloist Charles Turley.

**Friday, May 27 • 6 p.m., Room 198 Music**

**CHAMBER MUSIC ON CAMPUS**

*UO Chamber Ensembles; Free*

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105th Season, 136th program



UNIVERSITY OF OREGON • SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Beall Concert Hall

8:00 p.m.

Monday evening

May 23, 2005

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

SCHOOL OF MUSIC

presents

**“JUNGLES & GARDENS  
of the AVANT-GARDE”  
Reich and Stockhausen meet  
Cahn, Johnson and Toussaint**

featuring

**THE OREGON PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE**

**Charles Dowd, music director & conductor**

with

**David Johnson, Los Angeles percussionist–composer**

**Praxis Marimba Quartet: David Constantine,**

**Erica Drake, Aaron Jester, & Melissa Davis**

**David Constantine, multiple percussion**

**Aaron Jester, multiple percussion**

PROGRAM

**In Ancient Temple Gardens** (1976) William Cahn  
(b.1946)

Aaron Jester, multiple percussion

**Six Marimbas** (1973-86) Steve Reich  
(b.1936)

Praxis Marimba Quartet & guests

**Zyklus No. 9** for percussion (1959) Karlheinz Stockhausen  
(b. 1928)

David Constantine, multiple percussion

**The Oregon Variations** (2005)\* David Johnson  
(b.1948)

David Johnson, marimba

**La Chunga de la Jungla** (1996)\*\* Eugenio Toussaint  
(b.1954)

Praxis Marimba Quartet & guests

\* *World Premiere*  
\*\* *USA West Coast premiere*

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*THE OREGON PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE*

*Professor Charles Dowd, music director and conductor*

**The Oregon Percussion Ensemble** is a consortium of percussionists specializing in the performance of modern classical percussion chamber music. In 1996 The Oregon Percussion Ensemble and Charles Dowd were nominated for the Laurel Leaf Award of the American Composers Alliance in New York City for distinguished achievement in fostering and encouraging American music. Now in its 30th season, the group is known for its performances of the music of Frank Zappa, John Cage, Lou Harrison, Edgard Varèse, Steve Reich, Iannis Xenakis, Edison Denisov, Meyer Kupferman, William Kraft and for premieres of cutting edge, avant-garde composers. Broadcast performances include WGBH Boston's "The Art of the States," heard in 40 countries,

and an NPR national broadcast of a Dowd composition for Gamelan Suranadi Sari Indra Putra. Past performances include Percussive Arts Society International Conventions in Los Angeles and San Jose (by competitive audition), a 1992 John Cage memorial, a 1992 Lou Harrison 75th birthday tribute in Portland, Seattle, and Portland Percussion Festivals, and the 1984 International Society for Music Education at Silva Hall. The group has had touring performances in Palo Alto, San Jose, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Boise, Spokane, Seattle, Ellensburg, Portland, and throughout the Northwest. All members of the ensemble are graduate or undergraduate percussionists majoring in music at the University of Oregon. Ensemble alumni hold graduate degrees from Juilliard, Eastman, Peabody, New England Conservatory, Manhattan, and USC, and perform in concert halls and recording studios in the U.S., Canada, and Europe.

A native New Yorker, **Charles Dowd** is principal timpanist of the Eugene Symphony, Oregon Bach Festival, Cascade Festival of Music, Oregon Festival of American Music, Oregon Coast Music Festival and substitute principal timpanist of the Oregon Symphony in Portland. For thirty years Dowd was principal timpanist of the Cabrillo Music Festival in Santa Cruz, which won 18 consecutive ASCAP awards under Dennis Russell Davies and Marin Alsop. Dowd performs throughout the USA, in France, Germany and in Canada. He has performed in Carnegie Hall, RCA Studios New York, and with the Juilliard Orchestra, San Francisco Symphony and many others. Dowd records on MusicMasters, Warner Bros., Black Saint/Soul Note, PAUSA, Hanssler Germany, cdmUSA, Columbia, and KM Los Angeles record labels, and has written seven books on percussion performance, sold worldwide. His musical training includes DMA residency work with Saul Goodman at the Juilliard School, a master's degree at Stanford and a bachelor's degree from San Jose State University, both with Anthony J. Cirone of the San Francisco Symphony. Dowd is a Philip H. Knight Professor of Music at the University of Oregon School of Music and conductor/music director of the Oregon Percussion Ensemble, specializing in the premieres of avant-garde works for modern percussion chamber ensemble.

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