ABOUT TONIGHT'S GUEST ARTIS

Danny Helseth got his Bachelor of Music Education from Central Washington University (1999), his Master in Music Performance, Euphonium from The University of North Texas (2002), and a Post-graduate Diploma in Performance from The Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester, England where he studied on a Fulbright Scholarship.

As a former member of the United States Air Force Band in Washington D.C., Helseth was quickly recognized as an energetic and engaging soloist, featured several times with the band including on national tour in the spring of 2004. He performed as a chamber musician and clinician at universities all over the US as a member of the Tower Brass Quintet.

Searching for new music, and new ways of musical expression, Helseth has had debuted several newly commissioned pieces including *Dream* for euphonium and string quartet by Joseph T. Spaniola, *Concerto* for euphonium and orchestra by James Kazik, and *6 Moods* for euphonium and piano by Brett Miller. He has recorded with The North Texas Wind Symphony, the Royal Northern College of Music Wind Orchestra, and the United States Air Force Band. He has performed as principal trombonist with the Friday Morning Music Club Symphony in Washington D.C., and the Washington Metropolitan Philharmonic, and as euphoniumist with the Serapis Foundation, the Auburn Symphony, and is now principal and solo euphoniumist with Brass Band Northwest.

Helseth is currently a freelance musician and solo euphoniumist in Seattle, WA. With the release of his debut solo album, *Snapshots!* Helseth is quickly establishing himself as a dynamic soloist and educator, giving master classes and clinics to middle school and high school bands.

Throughout his life, Helseth has studied with Larry Gookin, Tom Gause, and Dr. Russ Schultz at Central Washington, Dr. Brian Bowman and Vern Kagarice at The University of North Texas, Steven Mead and Jim Gorlay at The Royal Northern College of Music, and Patrick Sheridan and Sam Pilafian at The Institute for Performance Success. Countless other musicians, colleagues and students have taught and inspired Danny's music and direction.

Helseth is a Besson performing artist and clinician for Buffet Crampon USA, and performs exclusively on a Besson Prestige 2051 Euphonium.



SCHOOL OF MUSIC AND DANCE

Beall Concert Hall 8:00 p.m.

Thursday evening March 4, 2010

OREGON SYMPHONIC BAND

Timothy A. Paul, conductor Michael Wickersheim, graduate student conductor

with guest artist

Danny Helseth, euphonium



PROGRAM

Lincolnshire Posy (1937)

Percy Grainger

1. Lisbon (Sailor's Song)

(1882 - 1961)

- 2. Horkstow Grange (The Miser and his Man: A local Tragedy)
- 4. The Brisk Young Sailor (who returned to wed his True Love)
- 6. The Lost Lady Found (Dance Song)

Michael Wickersheim, graduate student conductor

Elegy for a Young American (1967)

Ronald Lo Presti (1933–1985)

Cri de Coeur (2009)

Libby Larsen

(World Premier)

(b. 1950)

Danny Helseth, euphonium

La Forza del Destino

Giuseppe Verdi (1813–1901)

"The Force of Destiny" (1956)

tran. Joseph Kreines

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OREGON SYMPHONIC BAND PERSONNEL

Flute

Kelly Mullins Tara Aprin Allie Greenwell Kristen Nielson Annika Gilray

Oboe

Deborah Vicinsky Melinda McConnel Heather Ah San

Bassoon

Christina Kramer Madeline Churchill Kirk McMahan Jeff Spitzer

Clarinet

Joanna Goldsmith McKenna Marsden Danika Drotar Andrea Dethlefs Darren Cannoy Katie Thomas Christina Robert

Saxophone

Alyssa Tamayo Andy Page Griffin Evans Jake McGrew David Sommers Marty Kovach

Trumpet

Tyler Boorman Ryan Lewis Matthew Dahlquist Nathan Paulsen Leah Suderman Jasper Walton Sam Hunt Pat Norris Loren Clupny

Horn

Steven Quinn Kaila Studebaker Erika Rudnicki Karl Strasser

Trombone

Daniel Hartley Rivers Gage-Hunt Tyler Cranor

Euphonium

Adam Mullen Jessica Raymond James Meyer

Tuba

Sean Turner Nathan Stokes Joe Ready Stacer McChesney Daniel Mulkey

Percussion

Merlin Showalter Rachel Harris Casey Crane Foster Kizer Taylor Parrish Jay Peters Sean Surprenant