

MUSIC

ALL-STATE CHORUS AND ORCHESTRA

The 66th All-State Chorus and Orchestra concert was held at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City on October 27, 2018. The statistics for the largest high school musical event in South Dakota were:

Chorus Personnel.....	928
Schools represented in the Chorus	145
Orchestra Personnel	156
Schools represented in the Orchestra	22

Competition at the local level determines which students will attend All-State Chorus. Each school may send one or more quartets based on the enrollment of the school. The members of the All-State Orchestra were selected from the state-wide competitive auditions which were held at three audition centers. The auditions included performance and written tests.

The number of All-State Orchestra students from each school is as follows:

Aberdeen Central 5	Freeman Academy 2	SF Lincoln 26	St. Thomas More 1
Brandon Valley 4	Mitchell Christian 1	SF O’Gorman 9	Tea Area 4
Brookings 3	RC Central 28	SF Roosevelt 14	Vermillion 1
Chester Area 1	RC Christian 1	SF Washington 6	Watertown 1
Colman-Egan 1	RC Stevens 43	Spearfish 2	Yankton 1
Elk Point-Jefferson 1	SF Christian 1		

ALL-STATE ORCHESTRA GUEST CONDUCTOR

Dr. Anthony Elliott

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI



Anthony Elliott is in great demand as a conductor and as a concert cellist. Known for his fluid technique and assured interpretations, he has led numerous professional, amateur, and youth orchestras in prestigious settings around the world. Presently, he is Music Director of the Dexter Community Orchestra, and Conductor of the Michigan Youth Symphony at the University of Michigan. He has shared podium duties at the Texas Music Festival with Maxim Shostakovich and Christoph Eschenbach, and at the Blossom Music Festival with Leonard Slatkin and Jahja Ling.

Recent performances include reengagements with the Sphinx Symphony at Orchestra Hall in Detroit, the Prince George's Philharmonic in Washington DC, and the Icicle Creek Chamber Orchestra. On two separate occasions he has led the Sphinx Chamber Orchestra at Carnegie Hall to great critical acclaim. Guest conducting engagements have also included the San Antonio Symphony, the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony, the Scott Joplin Chamber Orchestra, and the Vancouver Chamber Players.

As a tireless advocate for music education, he has led the All Northwest Orchestra as well as the All State Orchestras including New York, Florida, Alaska, Minnesota, and several others. As Music Director of the Houston Youth Symphony and Ballet, he led a heralded two week long concert tour to Holland, Germany, and Austria, and was honored by Houston Mayor Kathryn Whitmire and the Houston City Council. He has given countless free clinics and workshops at inner city schools and community centers around the country. This past season he appeared in Detroit with students from the Cornerstone School, the Detroit School for the Arts, and the Marvin L Winan's Fine Arts Academy.

Anthony Elliott is also a prize winning cellist, being the first person to win the Feuermann International Cello Competition. He has appeared as a soloist with the New York Philharmonic, the Detroit Symphony, the Minnesota Orchestra, the Vancouver Symphony, and the CBC Toronto Orchestra.

ALL-STATE CHORUS GUEST CONDUCTOR

Dr. Phillip Swan

Lawrence University, Appleton, WI



Phillip A. Swan is Co-Director of Choral Studies and Musical Director for LU Musicals. Swan conducts Cantata, directs Hybrid Ensemble (jazz, early, contemporary and world music); teaches courses in conducting, musical theatre and music education; and coaches student organized a cappella groups. He is active in the Appleton community, serving as artistic director and conductor for newVoices (recipient of the 2016 Chorus America Education and Community Engagement Award), and is choir director at Appleton Alliance Church. Swan received his BA in music education from Concordia College, Moorhead, MN, MM in Choral Conducting from UT El Paso, and his DMA in Choral Conducting from the University of Miami (Florida). His doctoral essay is entitled, "In His Own Words: The Choral Music of Eric Whitacre from 1991-2004."

Swan served as a church music and youth director, performed in El Paso Pro Musica and taught elementary general music in El Paso, Texas, before moving to Watertown, South Dakota in 1989, where he taught high school vocal music for ten years and was an active clinician and adjudicator.

Dr. Swan has been fortunate to work with several international choirs including 15 choirs in Zhongshan, Zhuhai, Donguang, and Shenzhen, China. Swan is an active member of the American Choral Directors Association, currently serving as the National Women's Choir Repertoire and Resources Chair. Other involvement has included serving as the North Central ACDA Women's Choir R&S Chair, chairing the 2016 North Central ACDA collegiate ENGAGE event, Wisconsin Women's Choir R&S Chair, program chair for the 2013 Wisconsin state conference, member of the state by-laws revision committee, WCDA summer Refresh! planning committee, and serving as co-director for the WCDA/National ACDA NextDirection (high school/collegiate choral leadership conference) in June 2018. Swan is also a member of the College Music Society and Chorus America.

SOUTH DAKOTA ALL-STATE CHORUS & ORCHESTRA
A Chronological Listing of Location and Conductors

(The All-State Chorus has been held since 1952. The All-State Orchestra has been held since 1953.)

DATE	CITY	CHORUS CONDUCTOR	ORCHESTRA CONDUCTOR
1952		David Foltz	
1953	Huron	Robert McCowan	Emmanuel Wishnow
1954	Huron	Clayton Hathaway	Harvey Waugh
1955	Aberdeen	Dr. David Foltz	Gilbert Waller
1956	Mitchell	Weston Noble	Richard Duncan
1957	Huron	Warner Imig	Bernard Goodman
1958	Aberdeen	Leland B. Sateren	Walter Charles
1959	Mitchell	Harold A. Decker	Walter Charles
1960	Huron	Clayton Hathaway	Harvey Waugh
1961	Huron	Gerhard Schroth	Marvin Rabin
1962	Huron	Joseph Mussulman	Leo Kucinski
1963	Aberdeen	Weston Noble	Howard Leyton-Brown
1964	Watertown	Edward Anderson	Marvin Rabin
1965	Sioux Falls	Dr. Douglas McEwen	Joseph Levine
1966	Watertown	Dr. Robert Berglund	Dr. James Neilson
1967	Huron	Robert E. Page	Dr. Leo Kucinski
1968	Aberdeen	Dr. Elaine Brown	Gerhard Paul Schroth
1969	Sioux Falls	Dr. Lloyd Pfautsch	Joseph DelliCarri
1970	Rapid City	Dr. Daniel Moe	Dr. Marvin Rabin
1971	Watertown	Dr. Jester Hairston	Dr. Samuel Adler
1972	Huron	Don Craig	Joseph DelliCarri
1973	Sioux Falls	Dr. Joseph Mussulman	David Holland
1974	Rapid City	Dr. Leonard Van Camp	A. Clyde Roller
1975	Watertown	Dr. Don V. Moses	Harry Lantz
1976	Huron	Rodney Eichenberger	Richard Anshutz
1977	Sioux Falls	Dr. B. R. Henson	Dr. Marvin J. Rabin
1978	Rapid City	Bruce L. Lunkley	Dr. William L. Jones
1979	Watertown	Dr. Eph Ehly	Thomas Lewis
1980	Huron	Dr. Karle Erickson	Abraham Chavez Jr.
1981	Sioux Falls	Dr. Richard B. Rosewall	Joseph Giunta
1982	Rapid City	Dr. Lee Kjelson	Pamela Gearhart
1983	Aberdeen	Richard Edstrom	Dr. Marvin J. Rabin
1984	Watertown	Paul Ritter	Dr. George Trautwein
1985	Huron	Rodney Eichenberger	Stephen G. Hobson
1986	Sioux Falls	Dr. Eph Ehly	Robert Culver
1987	Rapid City	Dr. Douglas McEwen	Betty Suber Whiton
1988	Aberdeen	Stirling A. Culp	Dr. Carolann Martin
1989	Watertown	Byron McGilvary	Daniel Culver
1990	Huron	Dr. Paul Torkelson	Steven Amundson
1991	Sioux Falls	Weston Noble	Henry Charles Smith
1992	Rapid City	Dr. David Greenlee	Timothy Durbin
1993	Aberdeen	Dr. James F. Rodde	Dr. Christopher Bonds
1994	Rapid City	Dr. André J. Thomas	Michael A. Palumbo
1995	Aberdeen	Dr. Edith A. Copley	Dr. Dale J. Lonis
1996	Sioux Falls	Dr. John Yarrington	John Giordano
1997	Rapid City	Dr. Anton Armstrong	Steven Amundson
1998	Aberdeen	Dr. Charles R. Robinson	Robert Culver

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DATE	CITY	CHORUS CONDUCTOR	ORCHESTRA CONDUCTOR
1999	Rapid City	Dr. Dennis K. Cox	Henry Charles Smith
2000	Sioux Falls	Dr. Russell L. Robinson	J. Robert Hanson
2001	Aberdeen	Dr. Lynda Hasseler	Susan Haig
2002	Sioux Falls	Dr. Paul A. Torkelson	James A. Biddlecome
2003	Rapid City	Dr. Z. Randall Stroope	Robert Gillespie
2004	Aberdeen	Tim Peter	Dr. Tyler White
2005	Sioux Falls	Dr. Peter Eklund	Dr. Germán Guitiérrez
2006	Rapid City	Dr. Galen Darrough	Jung-Ho Pak
2007	Rapid City	Dr. Timothy Seelig	Robert Culver
2008	Sioux Falls	Dr. Christopher Aspaas	Michael Gelfand
2009	Rapid City	Dr. Kevin Meidl	Dr. Juan Tony Guzmán
2010	Aberdeen	Dr. Craig S. Arnold	Jungho Kim
2011	Sioux Falls	Vijay Singh	Henry Charles Smith
2012	Rapid City	Dr. Anna Hamre	Brian Cole
2013	Sioux Falls	Dr. Joe Miller	David Barg
2014	Sioux Falls	Dr. Andre Thomas	Jane Linde Capistran
2015	Rapid City	Dr. Peter Eklund	Dr. David MacKenzie
2016	Sioux Falls	Dr. Jerry Blackstone	Dr. Ruth Lin
2017	Sioux Falls	Dr. Tim Seelig	Michael Gerdes
2018	Rapid City	Dr. Phillip Swan	Dr. Anthony Elliott