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Festival

*Tuesday, April 1, 2014  
7:00 p.m.*

*Shawnee Mission West  
Auditorium*

*Guest Clinician,  
Dr. Robert Gardner*

## PROGRAM

## Festival Clinician

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### **South High School Symphonic Orchestra** *Jonathan Wiebe, Director*

*Serenade for Strings* Josef Suk  
i. Andante Con Moto

*Simple Symphony* Benjamin Britten  
iii. Sentimental Sarabande  
iv. Frolicsome Finale

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### **West High School Symphonic Orchestra** *Curtis Mulvenon, Director*

*Rhosymedre* Vaughn Williams/Foster

*St. Paul's Suite* Gustav Holst  
i. Jig  
iii. Intermezzo  
iv. Finale

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### **East High School Symphonic Orchestra** *Jonathan Lane, Director*

*Pavane* Faure

*Symphony No. 4* Tchaikovsky  
iv. Finale

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### **North High School String Orchestra** *Karen McGhee-Hensel, Director*

*Variations on a Well-Known Sea Chantey* Richard Stephan

*Hoedown* Aaron Copland  
Violin solo, Annie Sinsel  
Viola solo, A.J. Bonci

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### **Northwest High School Symphony Orchestra** *Jeffrey Bishop, Director* *Jason Hollowed, Assistant Director*

*Procession of the Nobles* Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov

*Carmen Suite No. 1* Georges Bizet  
i. Aragonaise  
iii. Sequedille  
v. Les Toreadors

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### **Dr. Robert Gardner**

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Robert Gardner is a bassist, conductor and composer with experience in a wide variety of musical genres. He has served on the faculty of the Penn State School of Music since 2003, where he is an associate professor of music education, specializing in stringed instrument playing and teaching, orchestral conducting, and alternative styles for string ensembles. Gardner has written chapters and articles in various publications, including Arts Education Policy Review and American String Teacher, and has given presentations at conferences and workshops throughout the country. His research has focused on the nature of improvisation and composition, as well as the supply and demand of American public school music teachers. Several of his pieces and arrangements for string orchestra are available through Alfred Publishers. Robert received his bachelor's degree in music education from the Ohio State University, and his master's and Ph.D. degrees in music education from the Eastman School of Music. Prior to joining the faculty at Penn State, he served as orchestra director and instructor for public school districts in Ohio and New York. Gardner was also music director for two youth orchestras at the Hochstein School of Music, and has been guest conductor for many honors ensembles. He has designed and directed programs for adult learners and alternative styles for string ensembles. Robert has served as chairperson of the Alternative Styles Task Force for the American String Teachers Association (ASTA), and as president of the Pennsylvania Delaware chapter of ASTA.

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