

Pittsburg State University

Commerce Bank of Pittsburg

**HIGH SCHOOL
HONOR ORCHESTRA**

Brendan Townsend, conductor

January 27, 2001

PROGRAM

Divertimento No. 1 in D Major K.136 Mozart
Allegro (1756-1791)
Andante
Presto

Serenade for String Orchestra Op. 20 Elgar
Allegro piacevole (1857-1934)
Larghetto
Allegretto

Speakeasy Suite for Strings D. Townsend
Flappers (Charleston) (1938-)
Schmalzvalse
The Ladykillers (Rag)

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Brendan Townsend
Conductor

Born in Cork, Ireland, Brendan Townsend began music lessons with his father at age three. He enrolled as a student at the Cork School of Music studying cello, chamber music, orchestra, choir and theory. He graduated with an education degree in 1988 before moving to the Netherlands to study for his masters in Cello Pedagogy and Orchestral Conducting.

Brendan Townsend made his conducting debut at age 18 conducting Gilbert & Sullivan's "Mikado." He went on to conduct orchestras, choirs and operatic ensembles in Ireland, the Netherlands and throughout Europe. He was the associate conductor at the Netherlands Promenade Orchestra and Music Director of the professional chamber orchestras "Ars Antiqua et Nova" and "Sinfonietta Geleen." In 1997 he moved to the United States to become Music director of the Youth Orchestras of San Antonio. He was recently appointed Director of Orchestras at the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, TX.

Mr. Townsend is committed to music education and the development of young people. As a regular guest conductor in high schools around Texas, Mr. Townsend has developed a reputation as an energetic, humorous and inspiring conductor who brings out the best in young people.

Violin I

Angela Lee
Cecilia Roberts
Bethany Fincher
Shannon Grabosch
Kelly Gorman
Ni Mei*

Cello

Mark Stauffer
Taran Sack
Sara Pound
Ann Whiteaker
David Edson*
Heidi Whiteaker

Violin II

Travis Glenn
Xiao Guo Zhu*
Timi Meyers
Tara Troy
Amanda Jacobs
Leah Richter*

Viola

Ashley Jacobs
Stephanie Kennedy
Amy Ecker
Bess Stone
Debbie Hung

Bass

Cameron Schmitz

* PSU student