

2016-17

UNIVERSITY OF MARY WASHINGTON

Philharmonic

ORCHESTRA



- Celebrates its **46TH ANNIVERSARY** this year, with only two directors in its history
- Was ranked among the top 9 collegiate orchestras in the nation (amongst all college divisions) by the **American Prize** in 2009
- Received the American Prize in Conducting for Music director **Dr. Kevin Bartram** in 2009
- Funds the Philharmonic **Scholars Program**, unique in the country, which establishes community service opportunities for UMW students
- Presents **scholarships** to every student musician in the orchestra, regardless of major, last year awarding more than \$44,000
- Was featured in a **national PBS** Christmas show in 2012 "A Fiddler's Holiday," which was seen by an estimated 1.3 million people
- Attracts some **3,500 people** to concerts each year from more than 96 cities and 10 states, with ticket sales topping \$210,000 annually
- Awards the prestigious **Citizen's Salute**, annually honoring a local citizen who has impacted his or her community
- Regularly tours overseas through its **Touring Program**, having performed since 2006 in Austria, Germany, the Czech Republic, England, France, Italy and Ireland
- Hosts top celebrities each year in its **Celebrity Series**, with Tony Bennett and Kristin Chenoweth coming in 2016-17
- Has a large community **Friends of the Philharmonic** support group which donated over \$190,000.00 last year
- Develops **Corporate Partnerships** with local businesses which offer discounts to Friends of the Philharmonic
- Holds several popular children's events each year with its **Fiddlestix** program