College of Marin Music Program presents

COLLEGE OF MARIN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

JIM STOPHER, conductor
SAVANNA NYGARD, flute

Romeo and Juliet and More!

TCHAIKOVSKY: Romeo and Juliet Fantasy-Overture
OFFENBACH: Overture to Orpheus in the Underworld
IBERT: Flute Concerto
BEACH: Gaelic Symphony

Saturday, May 11, 2019 3 PM

James Dunn Theatre
Performing Arts Building
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ARTIST BIOGRAPHIES, *cont.*

Savanna Nygard, *flute*
UCI 2023 Concerto Competition Winner



Savanna Nygard, 20, is a third-year music performance major, award-winning soloist, and principal chair in the UCI Symphony Orchestra. Savanna played both flute and piccolo during her four years in the Marin Symphony Youth Orchestra (MSYO), where she received the Hugo Rinaldi Fellowship in 2019. In that year she won the College of Marin Symphony Orchestra (COMSO) Youth Concerto Competition as a high school junior and performed Jacques Ibert's *Flute Concerto* under the direction of COMSO's music director, Jim Stopher. She also received the John Philip Sousa Award for Performing Arts Excellence in 2020.

Here at UCI, Savanna is a recipient of the Alice Lowell Memorial Scholarship, awarded to students focusing on classical music of the 18th and 19th centuries. She now studies with UCI professor Patricia Cloud. Formerly, Savanna studied privately under Oberlin Conservatory professor Alexa Still as well as MSYO Associate Conductor and Manager Andrei Gorchov. She has also performed in a masterclass with international soloist and UCLA professor Erin Bouriakov.

A Marin County native, Savanna is an avid birder and has identified more than 175 species in California. When she's not practicing, she spends her free time writing and illustrating. Her favorite composers include Tchaikovsky, Schubert and Amy Beach.