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DANIEL SWIFT

The Niagara Symphony Orchestra and its music director have demonstrated conclusively that they, when all of the elements are just right, can compare favourably to any orchestra in the country.

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Conductor and musicologist Daniel Swift studied oboe and composition at the Conservatory in Trois-Rivières, history and musicology at Laval University in Québec, and conducting with Pierre Dervaux and Jean-Pierre Jacquillat in Paris. He has been music director of l'Ensemble instrumental de Trois-Rivières, the Laval University orchestra and of the Ensemble instrumental des Jeunesses musicales du Canada (Montréal). Winner of the Heinz Unger Conducting Award in 1983, he was assistant conductor for Boris Brott with the Hamilton Philharmonic and Uri Mayer with

the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra before becoming conductor and Music Director of the Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra (1984-1992).

A frequent guest of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) and Radio-Canada, Mr. Swift has regularly conducted concerts both for regional and national broadcast. He has also guest conducted numerous orchestras in Canada, the United States and Europe.

Particularly interested in the French repertoire, Daniel Swift directed in Paris and New York (1989), a revival of Francis Poulenc's musical play *Le Gendarme incompris*, which he rediscovered during musicological research in France. He participated in the preparation of an edition of this work for music publisher Salabert. As well, he has recorded three ballets of French composer Henri Sauguet with the CBC Vancouver Orchestra on the SM5000 label. This CD entitled *Parisian Ballets* was unanimously recommended by music magazines in Japan, France and the United States.

Daniel Swift has also worked as Music Officer for the Canada Council for the Arts from 1992 to 1999. He was appointed Music Director of the Niagara Symphony Orchestra in 1999.

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