

## **Visiting violinist to perform with AU Symphony Orchestra**

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The Alfred University Division of Performing Arts will present the AU Symphony Orchestra in concert on Friday, April 10, at 8 p.m. in Holmes Auditorium, Harder Hall. Admission is open to the public free of charge. Featured with the orchestra will be violin soloist Jorg Pomplun performing "Rondo Capriccioso" by Camille Saint Saens. Dr. Lisa Lantz, associate professor of music/strings and chairwoman of the Performing Arts Division, will also lead the orchestra in two pieces, "Mars" and "Jupiter," from Gustav Holst's "The Planets." Born in Berlin, Pomplun earned a master's degree in English and music in secondary education at the University of the Arts in Berlin and at the Humboldt University in Berlin in 2008. In 2005 he spent an academic year in England at the University of Sheffield. In addition to his involvement in different kinds of dance (modern, contemporary, Hip Hop, folk) and improvisational theater, he has played the violin and the piano for 22 years. He is a two-time prizewinner at the German nationwide instrumental competition "Jugend usiziert" ("Young people make music") for his solo and ensemble performance. Currently, he is a Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant at Alfred University where he teaches German language and culture courses.