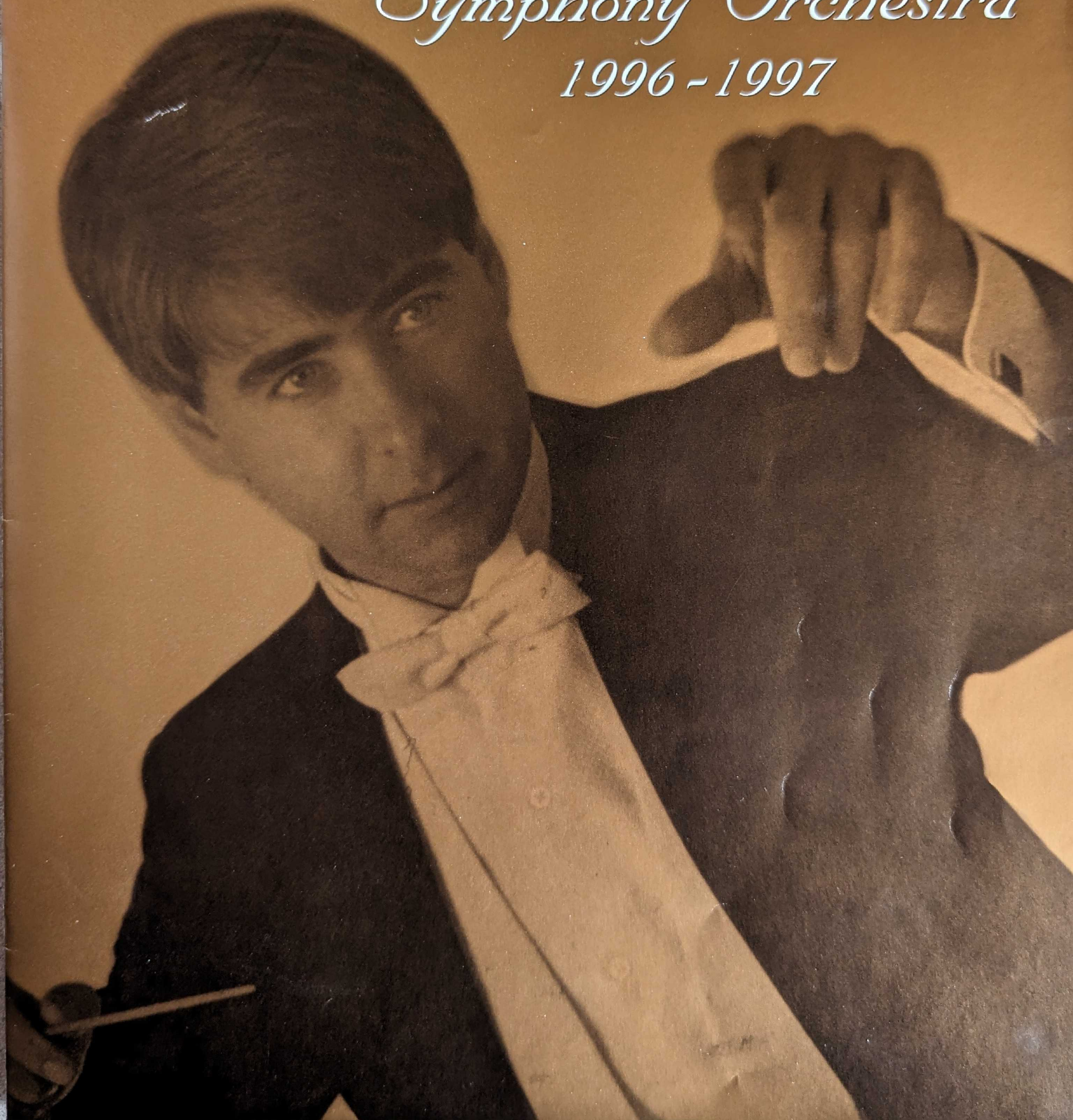
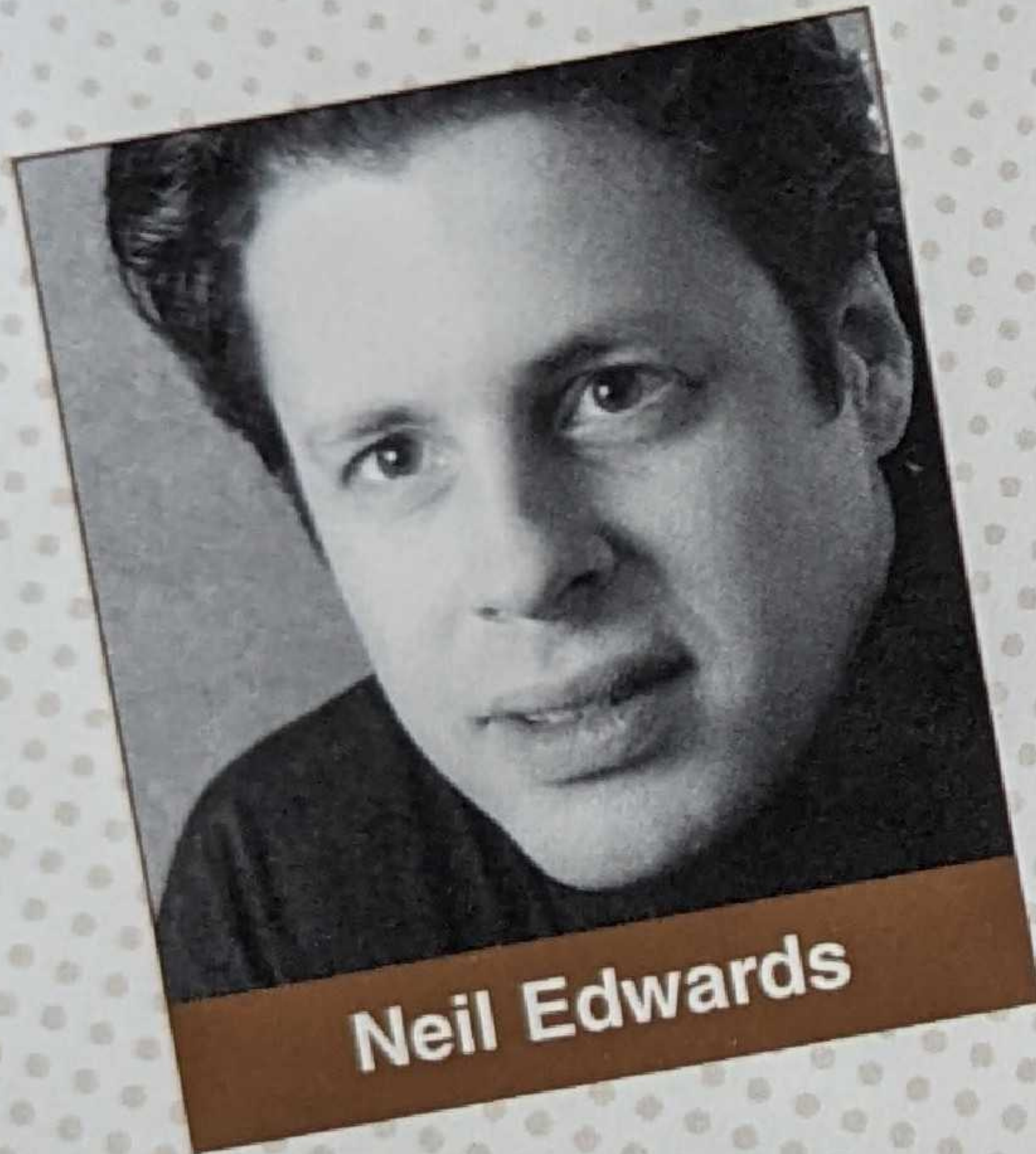


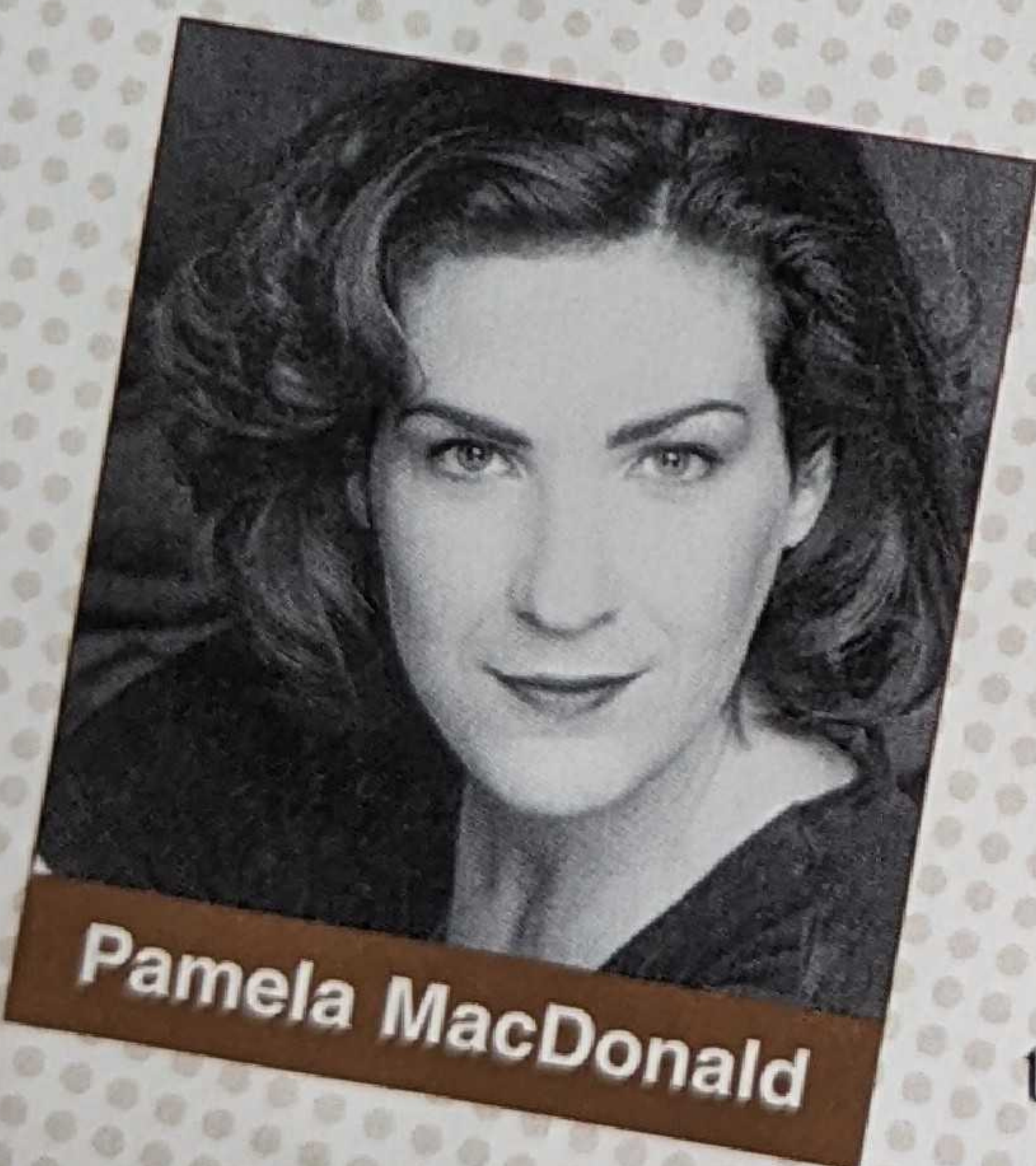
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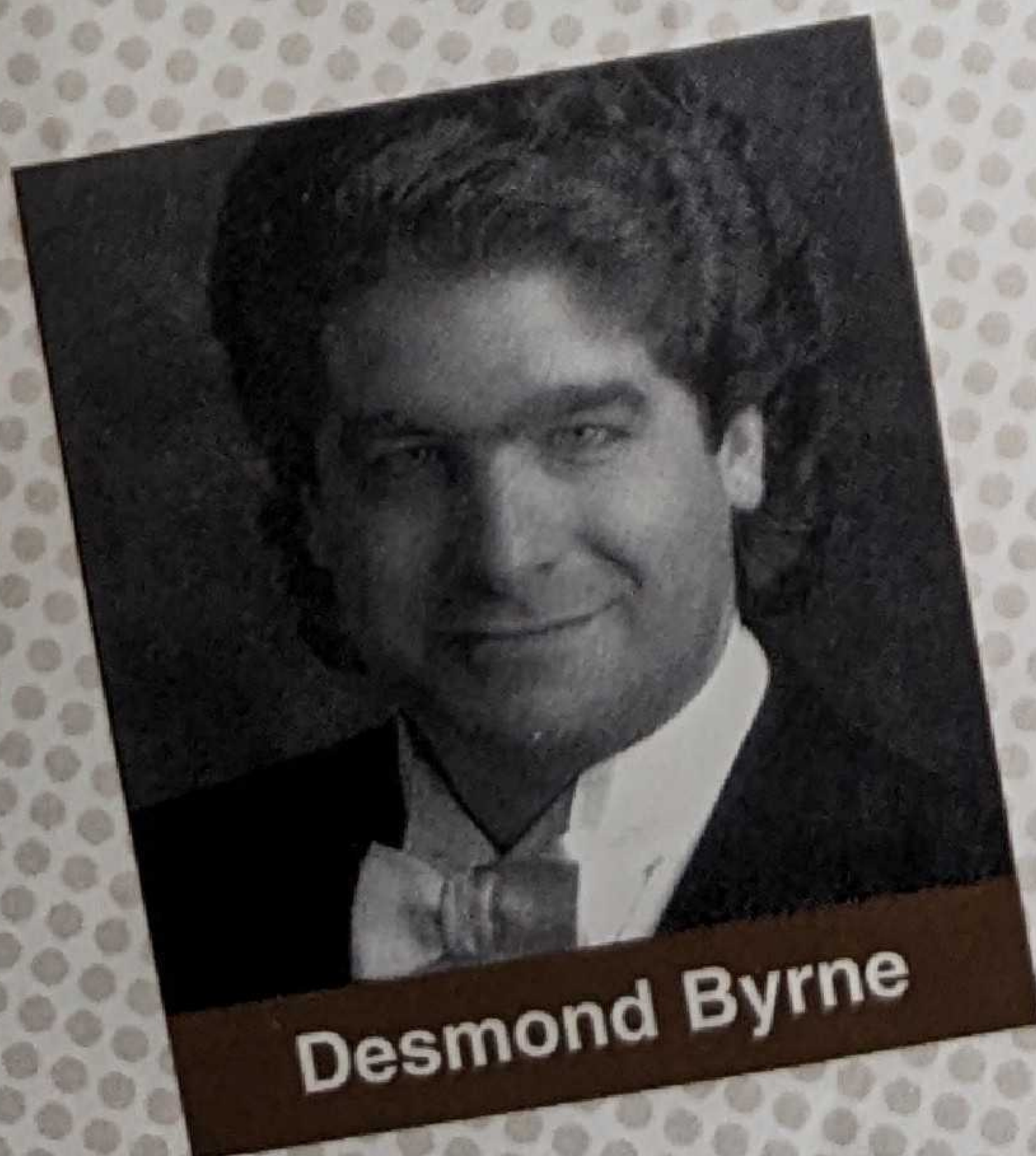
# The NSO Features a Fresh Season of Sound



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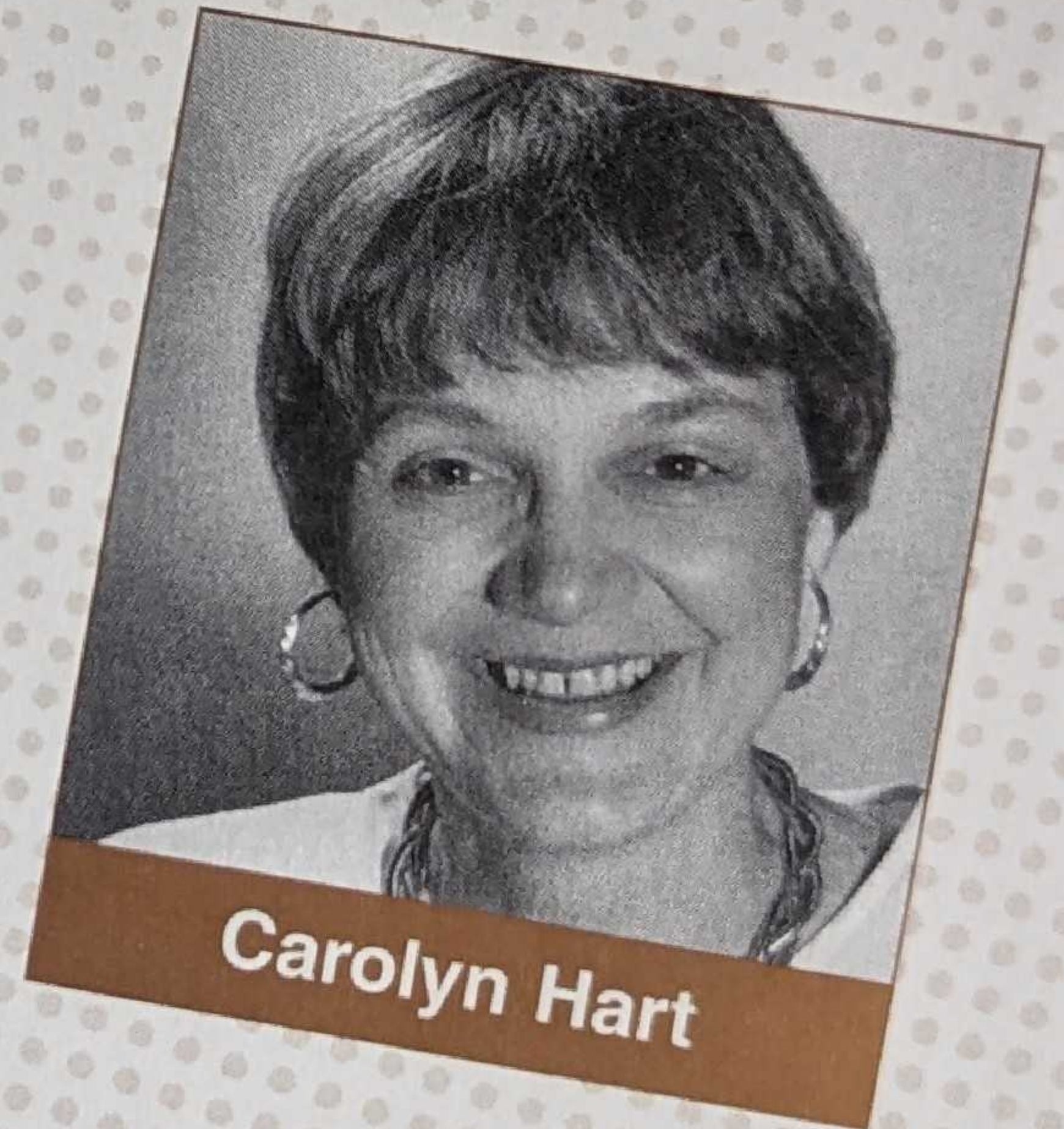
**Pamela MacDonald**



**Desmond Byrne**

The Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra is back, with a brand new season of outstanding performances for 1996-97. This year's repertoire has been carefully chosen to offer a broad range to music lovers of all tastes. From Beethoven to the big band; from Mozart to Handel's Messiah; from Haydn to the Hibernia Pops and everything else in between.

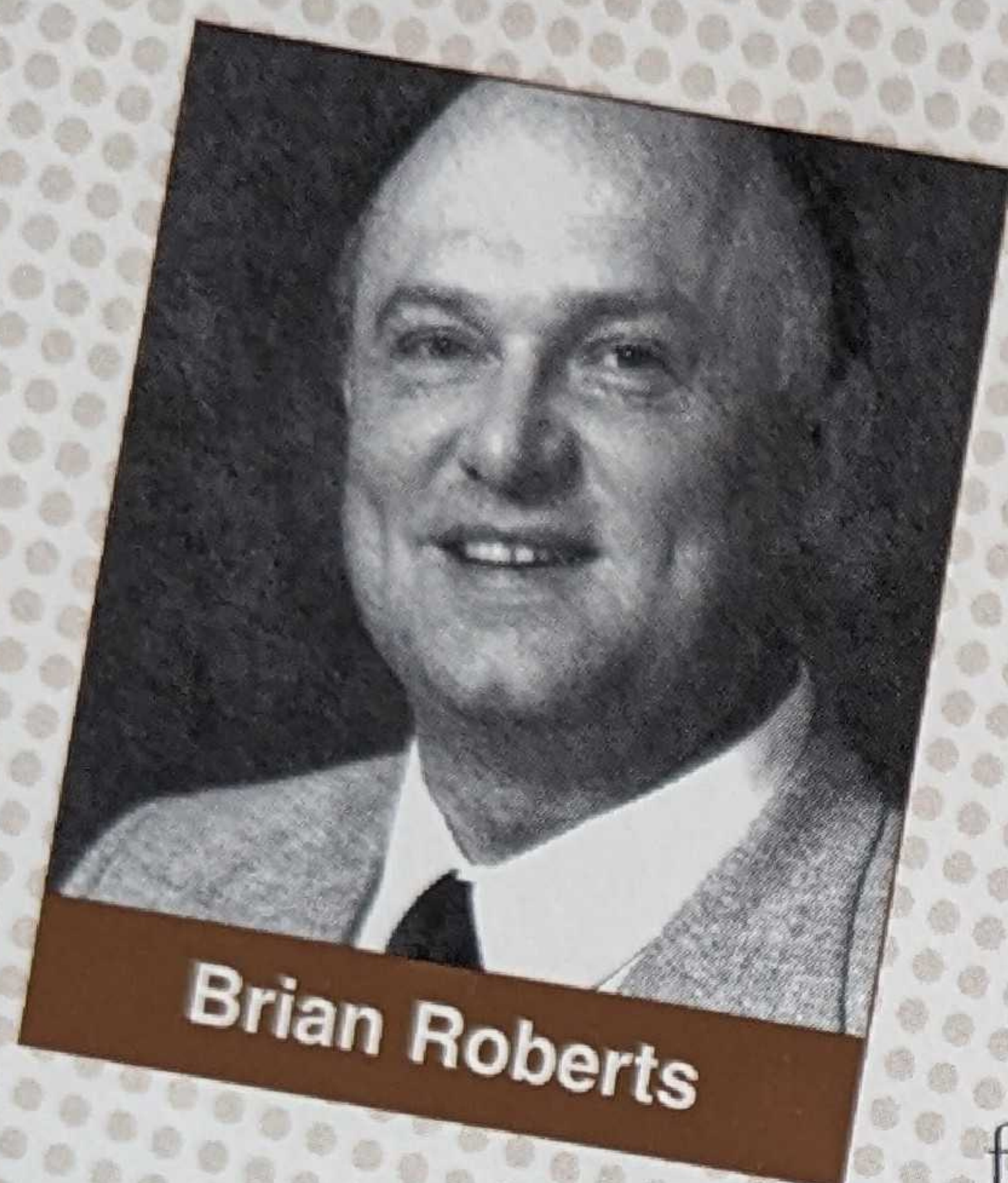
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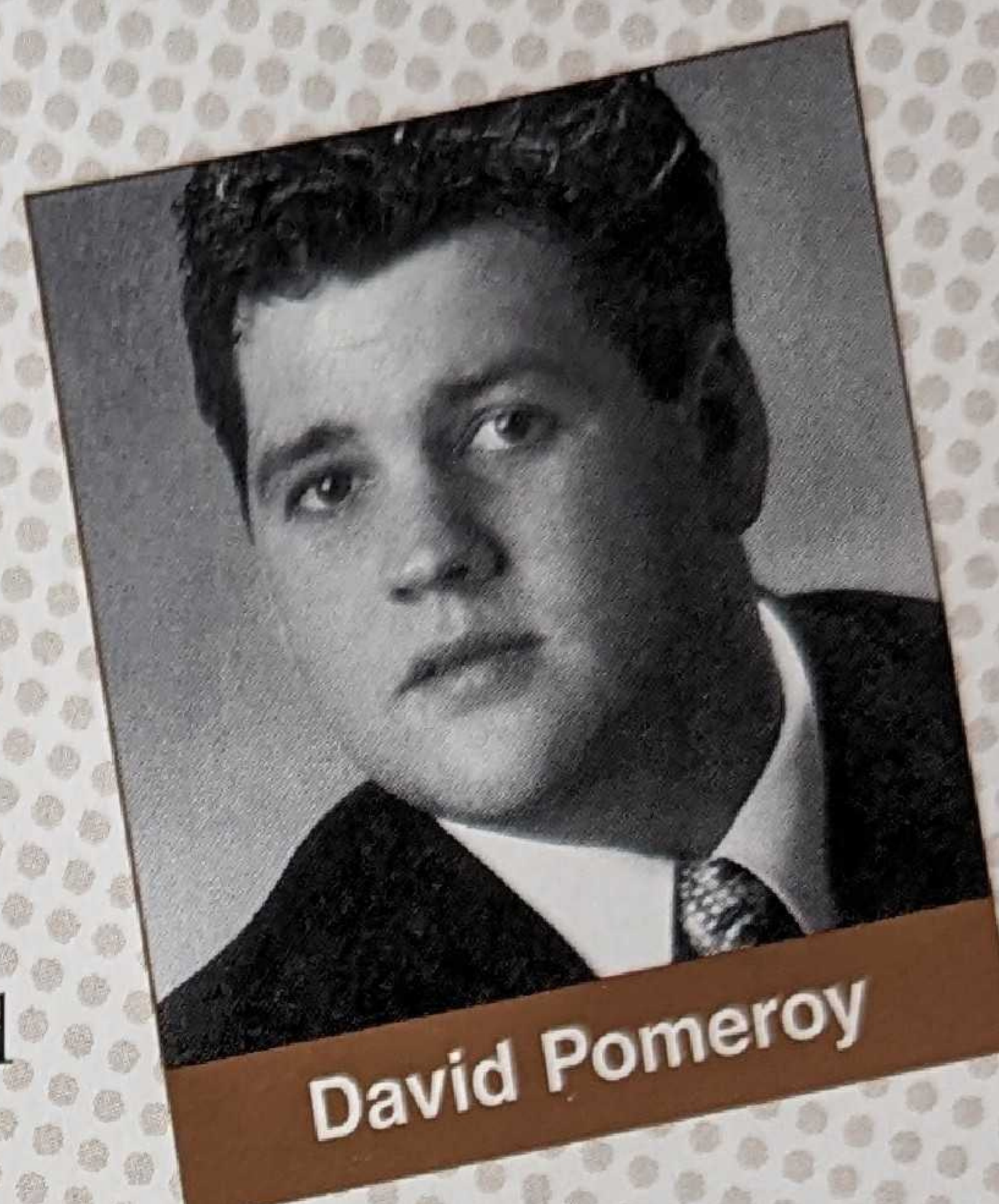
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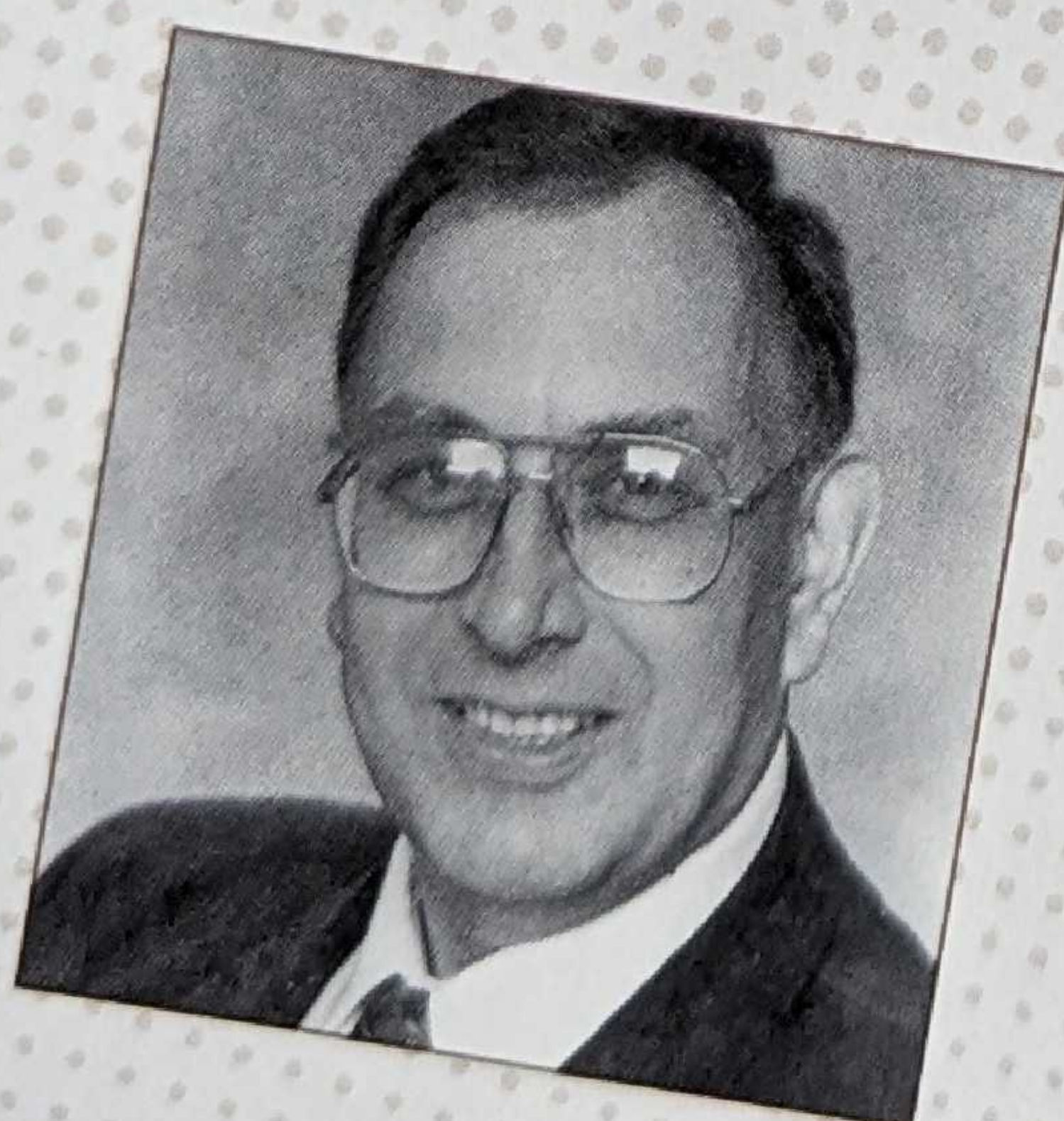
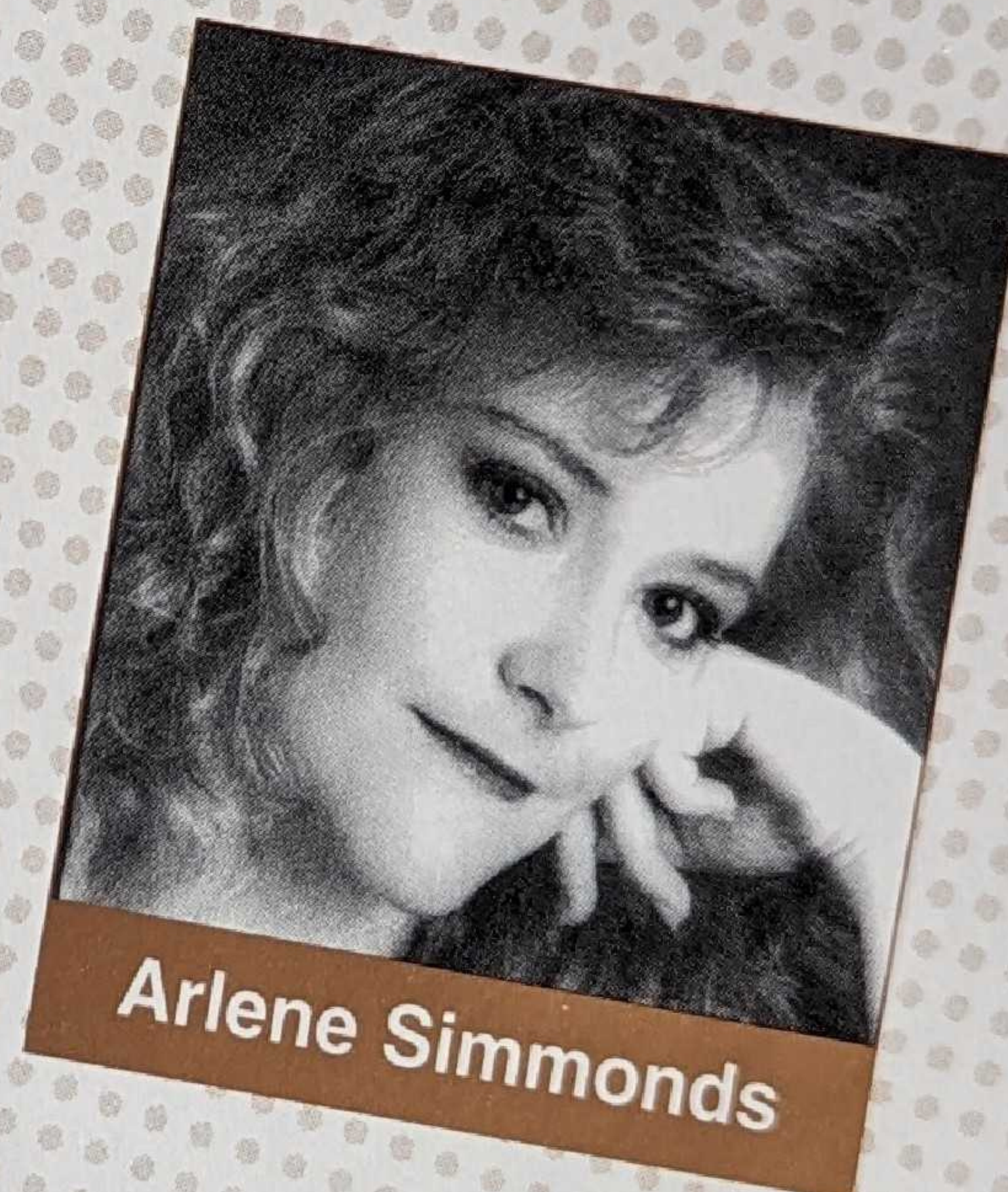


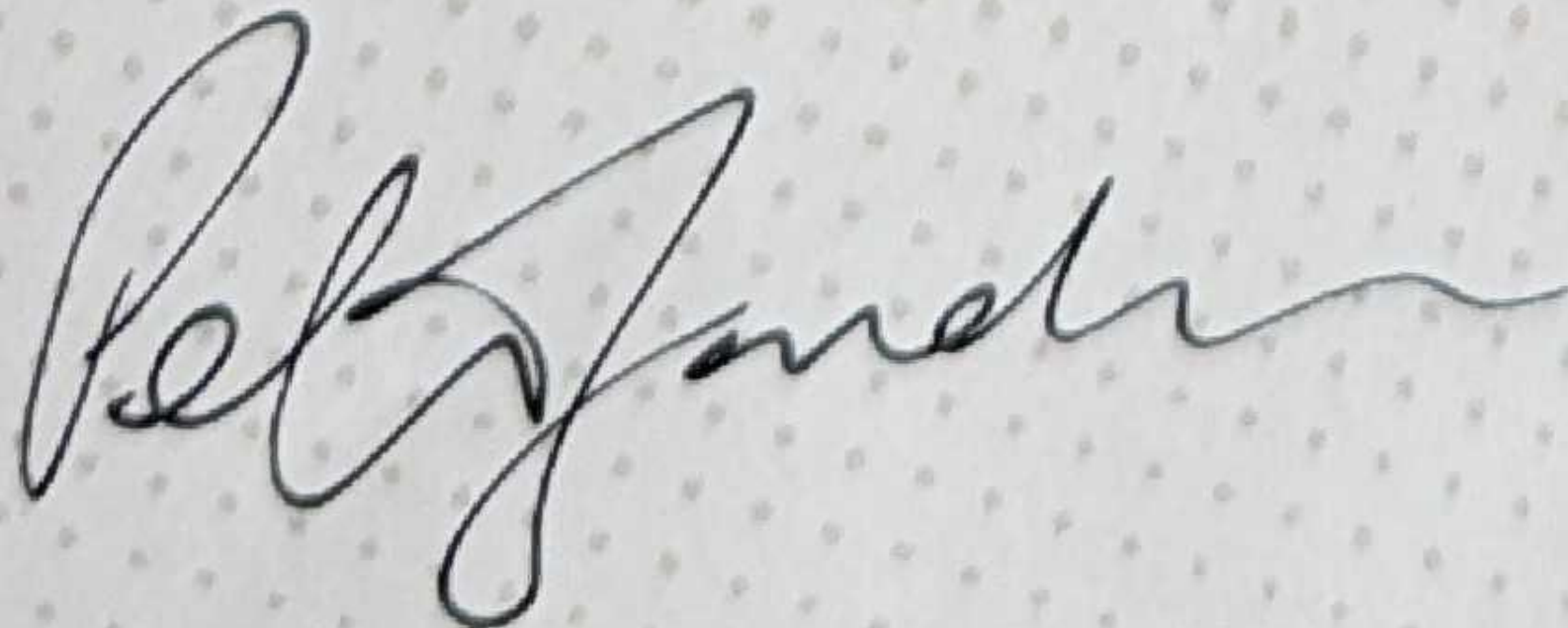
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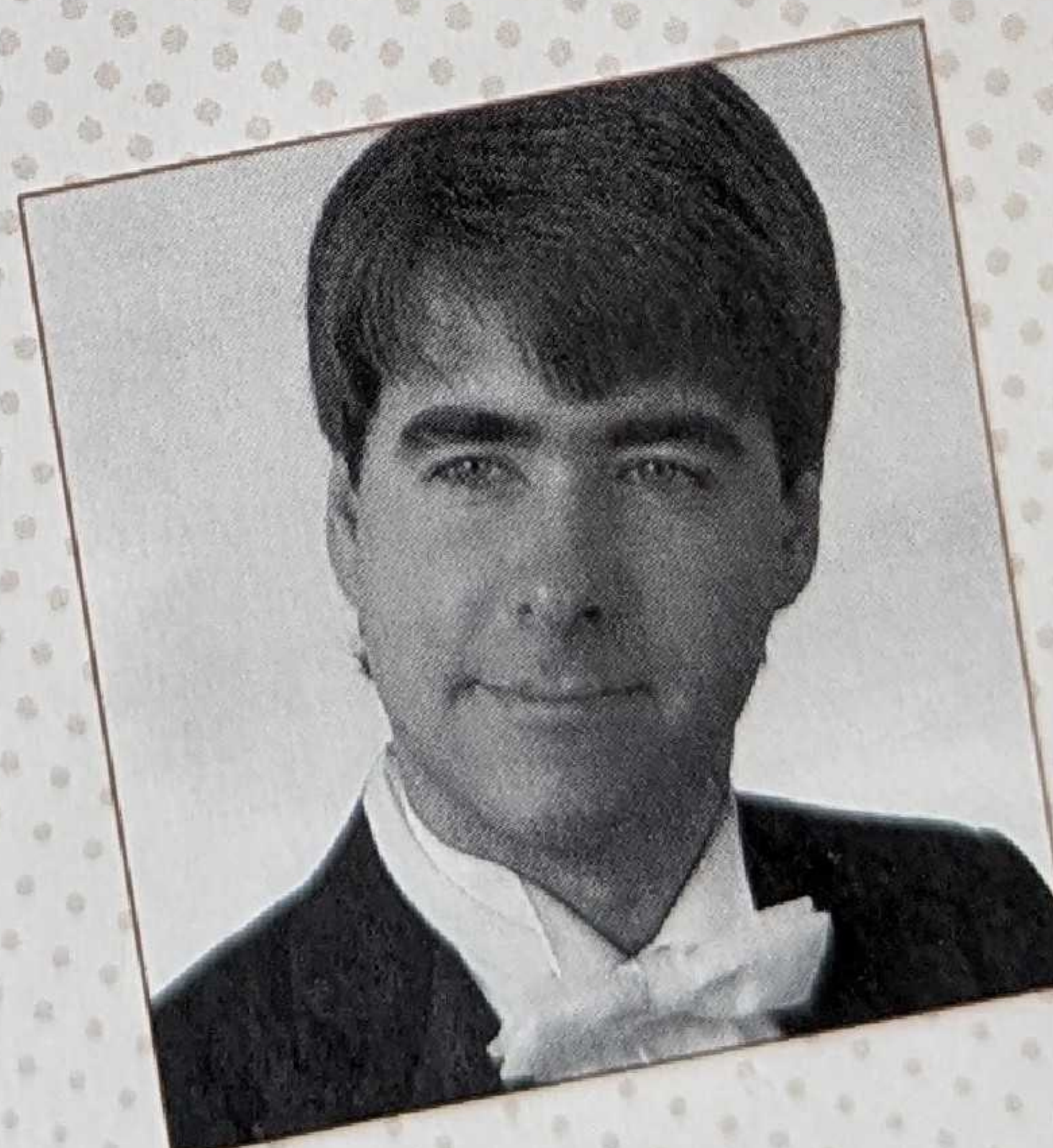



This season the NSO commemorates 1997 with special concerts and selections: "From Old World to New World" with the Irish Descendants, a newly arranged rendition of the "Ode to Newfoundland" by D.F. Cook, and a special Sinfonia concert entitled "Legends of Ireland".

On behalf of the orchestra, we welcome you to the 1996-97 season. We're ready to play when you are.



  
**Peter Gardner**  
General and Artistic Director



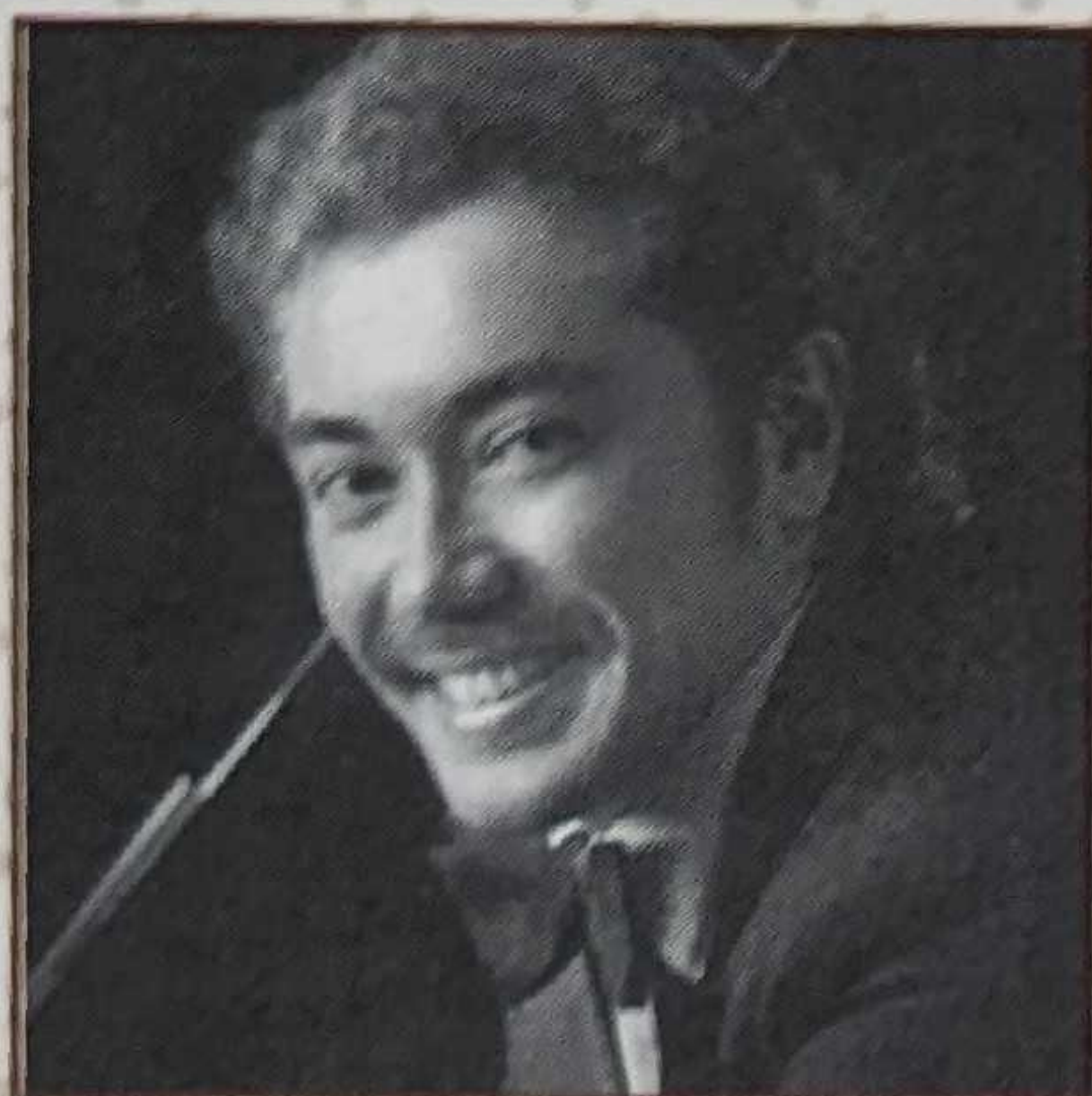
  
**Marc David**  
Principal Conductor

*Mary Ann Hart and other special  
guests perform Beethoven's magnificent  
Ninth Symphony at the Basilica of  
St. John the Baptist.*



# Masterworks Series

Principal Conductor Marc David conducts the NSO and some very special guests in this season's Masterworks Series. All performances (with the exception of "Ode to Joy") are at the St. John's Arts & Culture Centre and each Masterworks concert is preceded by a prelude concert at 7:45pm.



**FRIDAY-OCTOBER 11**

**8:30PM**

## Jamie Parker – Piano "Northern Passions"

Sit back for a night of dark, brooding and passionate music as award-winning Canadian pianist, Jamie Parker, performs with the orchestra. Enjoy Smetana's Ma Vlast "The Moldau", Grieg's Piano Concerto a minor and Sibelius' Symphony No.2 D Major. The prelude concert features music for harp with Gayle Tapper.

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**FRIDAY-NOVEMBER 15**

**8:30PM**

## Martin Beaver – Violin "25th Anniversary Concert"

Martin Beaver, an international prize-winning violinist, will tune his 1789 Nicholas Bergonzi violin and take the stage with conductor Peter Gardner to commemorate Peter's 25th season. Selections include "Sherlock Holmes" Suite, Beethoven's Violin Concerto D Major, and Elgar's Enigma Variations. The prelude concert features music by the Atlantic String Quartet and bassist Frank Fusari.

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**FRI-JANUARY 24 & SAT - JANUARY 25**

**8:30PM**

## The Irish Descendants – "From Old World to New World"

Special guest performers The Irish Descendants offer a prelude to 1997, the 500th anniversary of the landing of John Cabot. The East Coast Music Awards Entertainers of the Year and Juno Award winners will perform a number of their traditional hits. The NSO will premiere Clark Ross' 1997 Fanfare. This concert also features Dvorak's New World Symphony. The prelude concert showcases Music for Percussion with The Scrunchions.



ROYAL BANK

AIR CANADA



**FRI-MARCH 21 & SAT-MARCH 22**

**8:00PM**

## "Ode to Joy" at the Basilica of St. John the Baptist

Soprano Shelley Neville, Mezzo Soprano Mary Ann Hart, Tenor David Pomeroy, Baritone Desmond Byrne and the NSO Philharmonic Choir will perform Beethoven's monumental Ninth Symphony ("Choral") featuring the famous "Ode to Joy" theme. This concert also features Beethoven's Egmont Overture and a new arrangement of Ode to Newfoundland by D.F. Cook.

Shelley Neville

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# Sinfonia Series

Several special guests join conductor Peter Gardner for this year's Sinfonia Series. This series features a chamber orchestra with guest soloists, and all performances (with the exception of "Legends of Ireland") take place in the D.F. Cook Recital Hall at Memorial University School of Music, at 8:00pm.



## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

### Maureen Volk – Piano

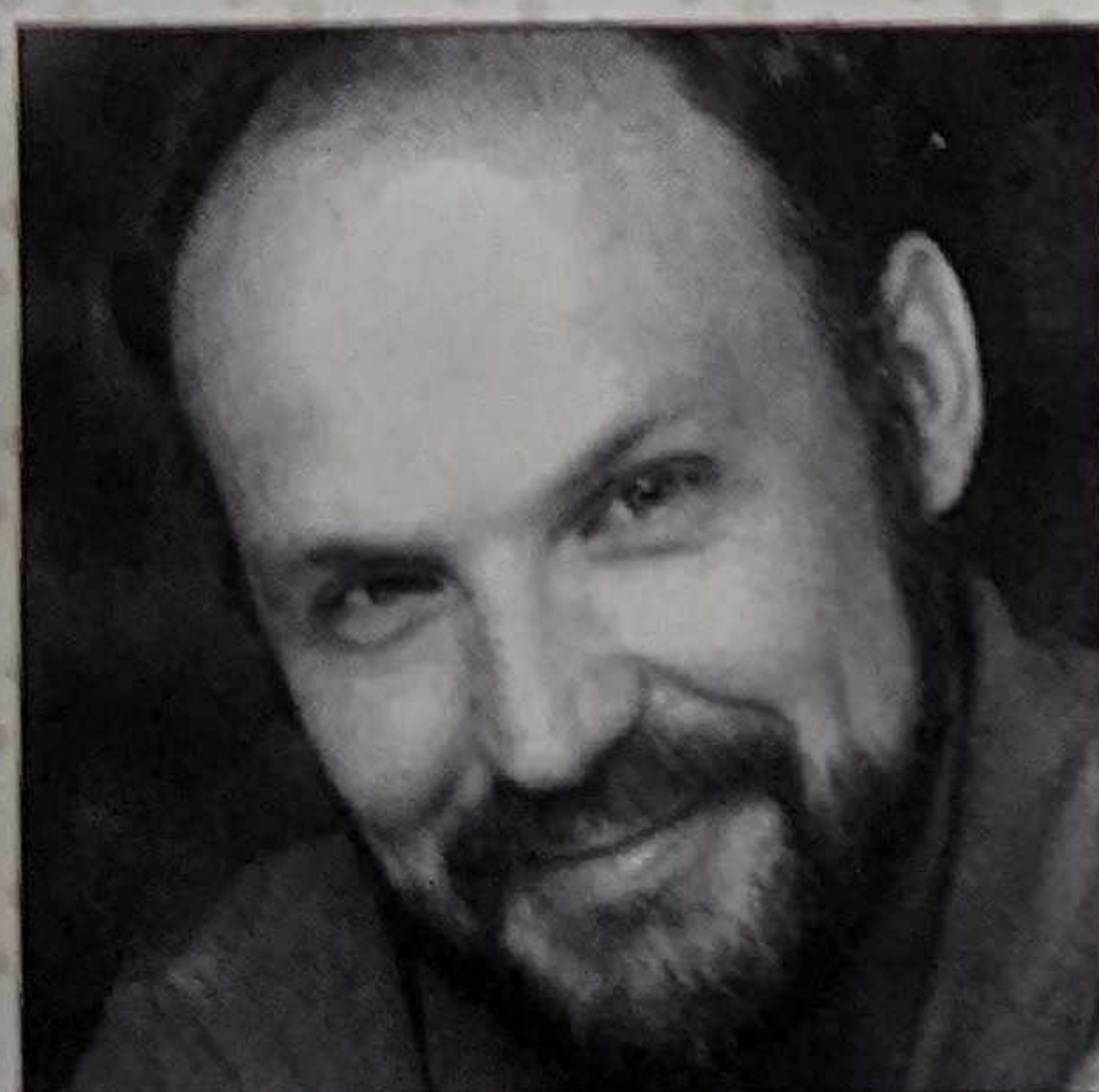
Pianist and Director of the MUN School of Music, Maureen Volk joins Sinfonia in a performance featuring Sinfonia in D, Op 3 No.1 by J.C. Bach, Piano Concerto No.23, in A, K488 by Mozart and Haydn's Symphony No.82, in C, "The Bear".



## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

### Kelly Russell – Fiddle, Alison McLellan – Violin

St. John's native, Kelly Russell brings the sounds of traditional Newfoundland fiddle playing to the Sinfonia with Alison McLellan in this evening performance. Featured pieces will include; Two Concerti from "Four Seasons" by Vivaldi, Mozart's Eine Kleine Nachtmusik, "The Fiddle Concerto" and "Handel and the Ventilator" by Gardner, and Sinfonia Concertante by Parker.



Reid Spencer

## SATURDAY, MARCH 8

### "Legends of Ireland"

This Arts & Culture Centre Concert will feature Soprano Carolyn Hart, Contralto Kathleen Manuel-Browne, Tenor Brian Roberts, Baritone Reid Spencer and John Goodman on the Uilleann Pipes, as well as the NSO Philharmonic Choir in Brendan Voyage by Shaun Davey and Cantata, "The Children of Lir" (1988) by Patrick Cassidy. This concert is brought to you by the NSO in association with The Irish Newfoundland Association and Sweetn's.

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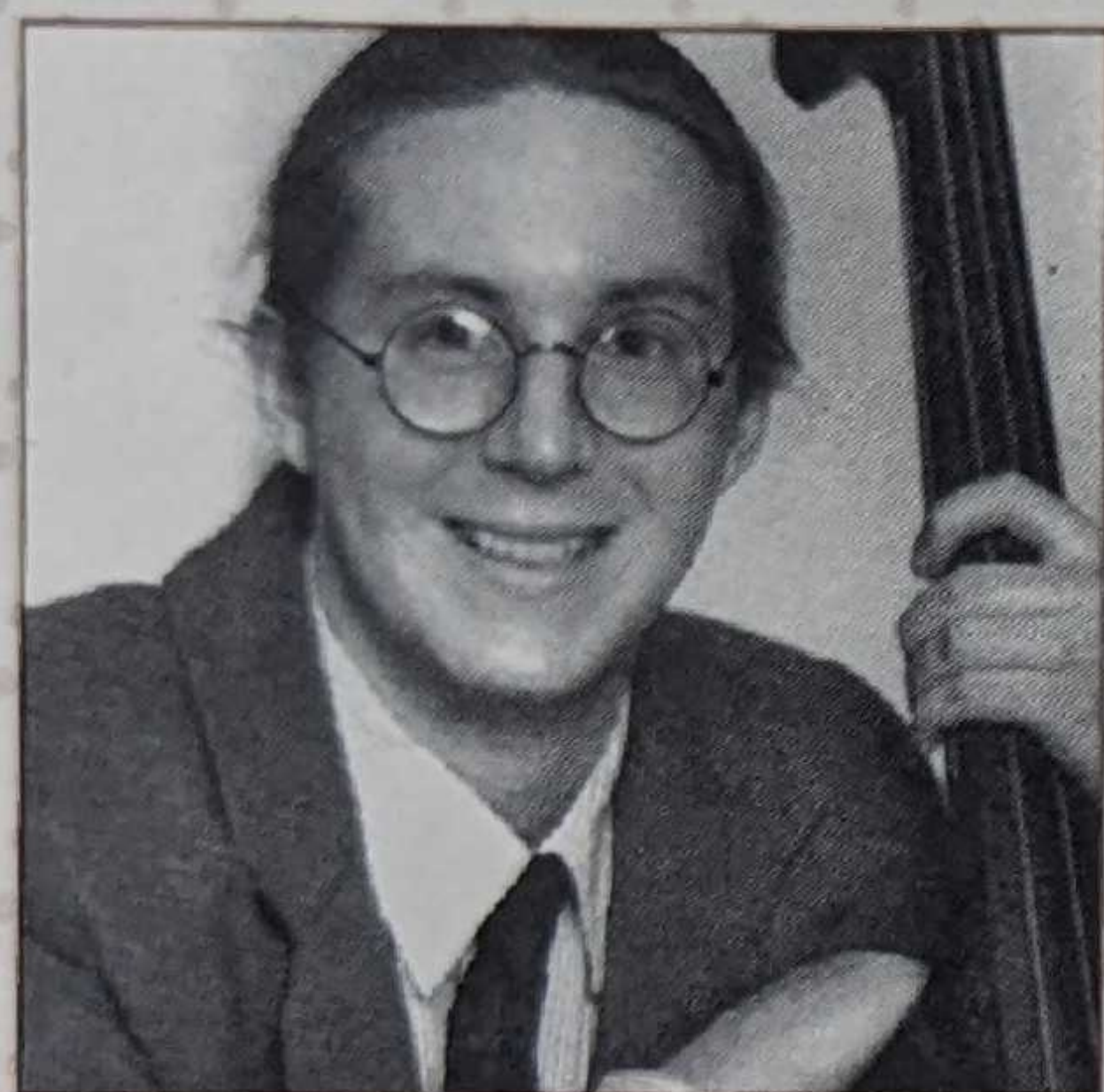
## SATURDAY, APRIL 19

### Alexandra Fekete – Viola

Atlantic String Quartet member, Alexandra Fekete joins Sinfonia as soloist for this final performance in the Sinfonia Series. Octet-Partita in E-flat for winds by Hummel, Ballade No.1 for Viola and Strings by Ridout and Dvorak's Serenade for Winds will be the featured pieces.

# Recital Series

The Atlantic String Quartet joins very special guest artists in these exciting chamber music recitals. Performances are held in the D.F. Cook Recital Hall at Memorial University School of Music, at 8:00pm.



## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

### Frank Fusari – Bass

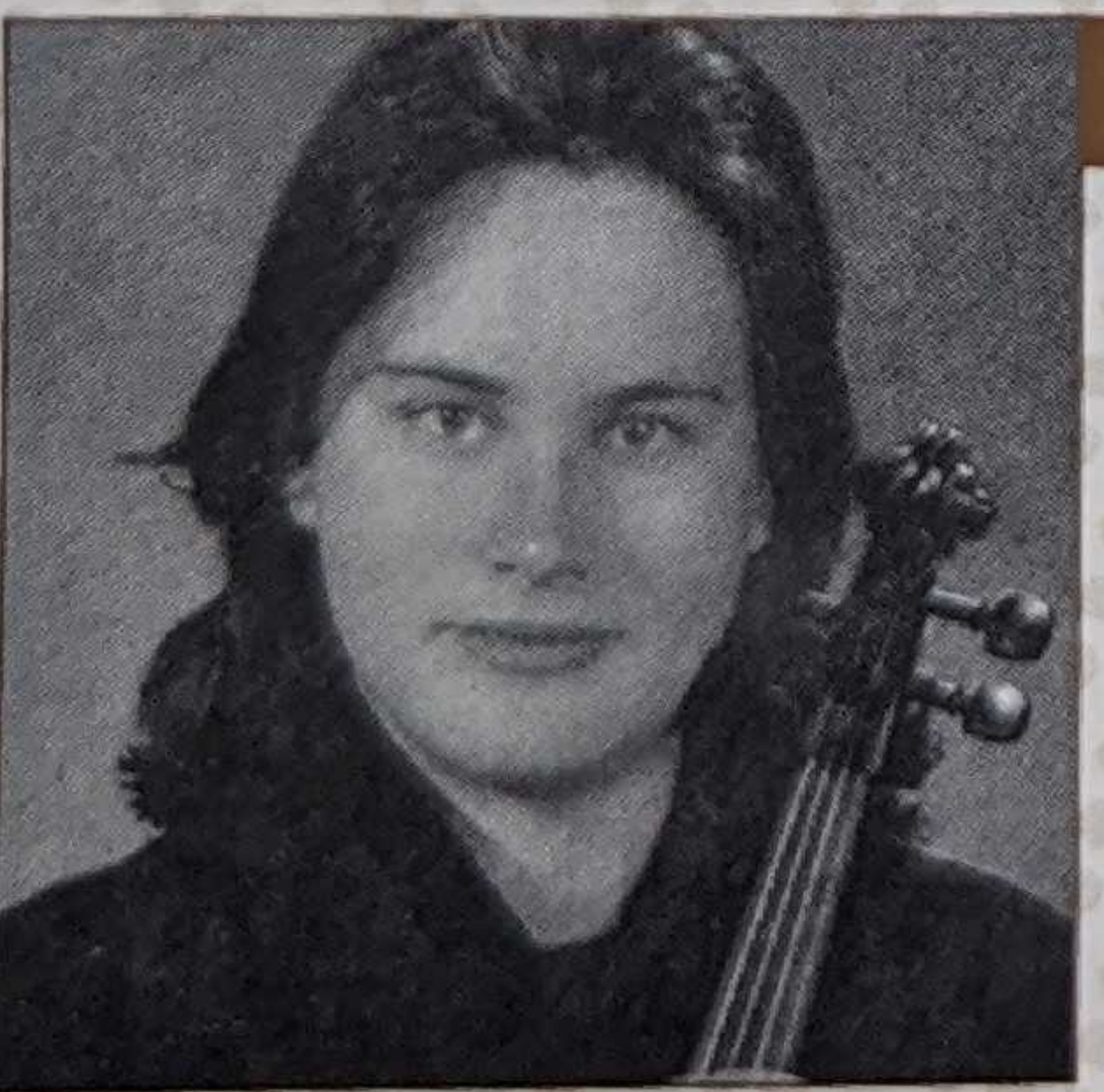
Kitchener native and NSO Principal Bassist, Frank Fusari joins the ASQ to perform Puccini's String Quartet, "The Innate" by Charles Ives, and Schubert's String Quartet d minor "Death and the Maiden".



## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### Paul Bendzsa – Clarinet

Paul Bendzsa has been a faculty member at MUN since 1976. He will be joining the Atlantic String Quartet to play Brahms' Quintet for Clarinet and String Quartet. The ASQ will also perform Beethoven's String Quartet Op. 59 No. 2.



## FRIDAY, MARCH 14

### Judith Davenport – Viola

Newfoundland native and finalist in the NSO's 1995 Young Artist's Competition, Judith Davenport, joins the ASQ in this recital featuring Brahms' Quintet for Viola and String Quartet. The ASQ will also perform Mozart's String Quartet and Parker's String Quartet.



## FRIDAY, MAY 2

### The Atlantic String Quartet

The ASQ performs Haydn's String Quartet Op. 76 No.4 "Sunrise", Mozart's String Quartet d minor K421 and Britten's String Quartet. The ASQ members are Alison McLellan – violin, Jennifer Johnson – violin, Alexandra Fekete – viola, and Theodore Weber – cello. They are also principal players in the NSO and Sinfonia.

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**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25**

Shine your shoes, press the tux and get ready for the year's most exclusive night of entertainment. Marc David and Peter Gardner will conduct you through this night to remember - highlighting performances by the Orchestra with Soprano Shelley Neville and Tenor David Pomeroy, the NSO Philharmonic Choir, The Punters, Serguei Tchepournov performing gypsy violin music and other special guests. Sit back and enjoy all your favourites and find out who will be this year's mystery conductor. All ticket proceeds go towards helping the NSO and 80% of your ticket price is tax deductible. It's a night to look good, feel good and do good. The fun begins at 8:00pm at the Arts and Culture Centre.

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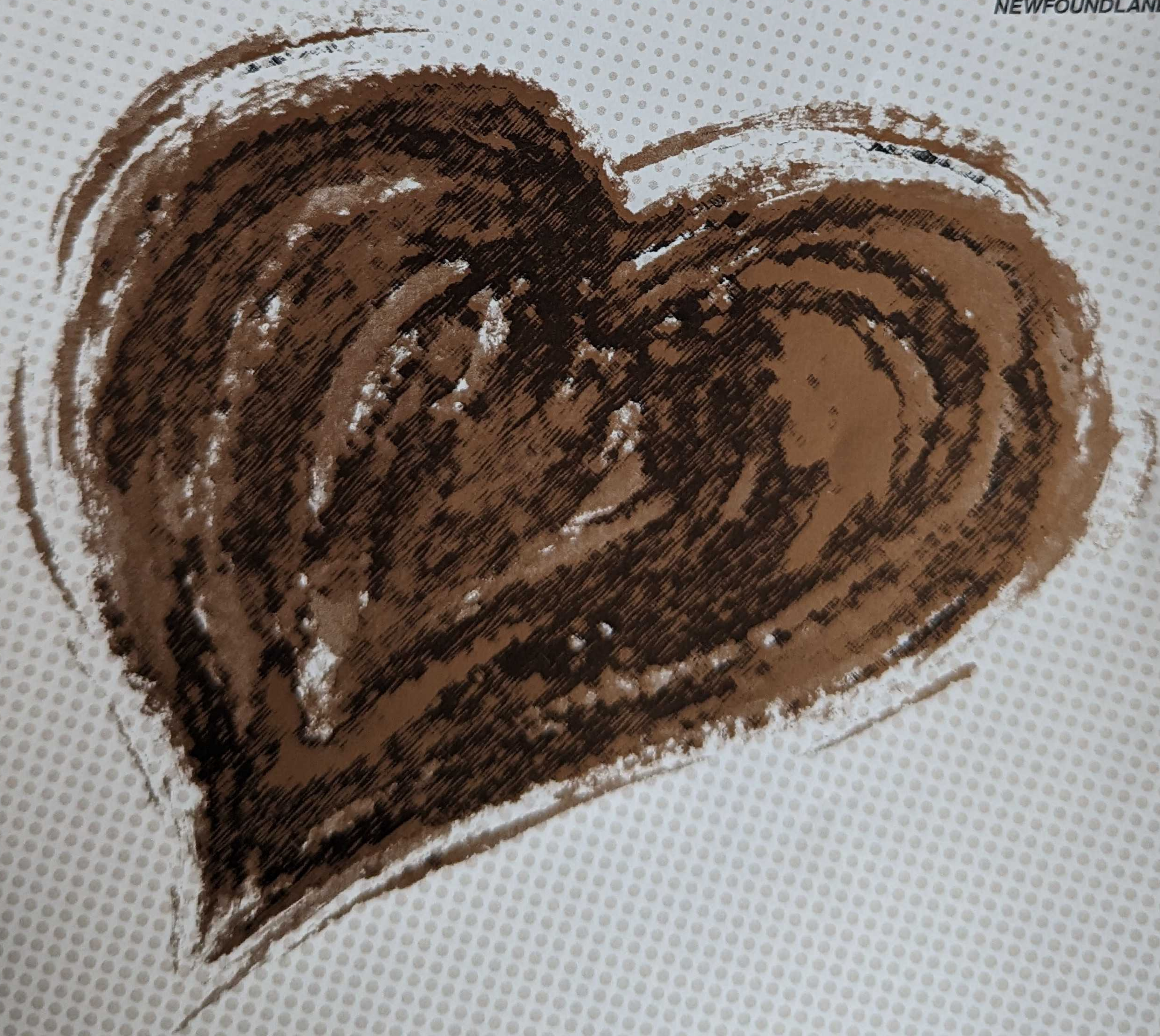


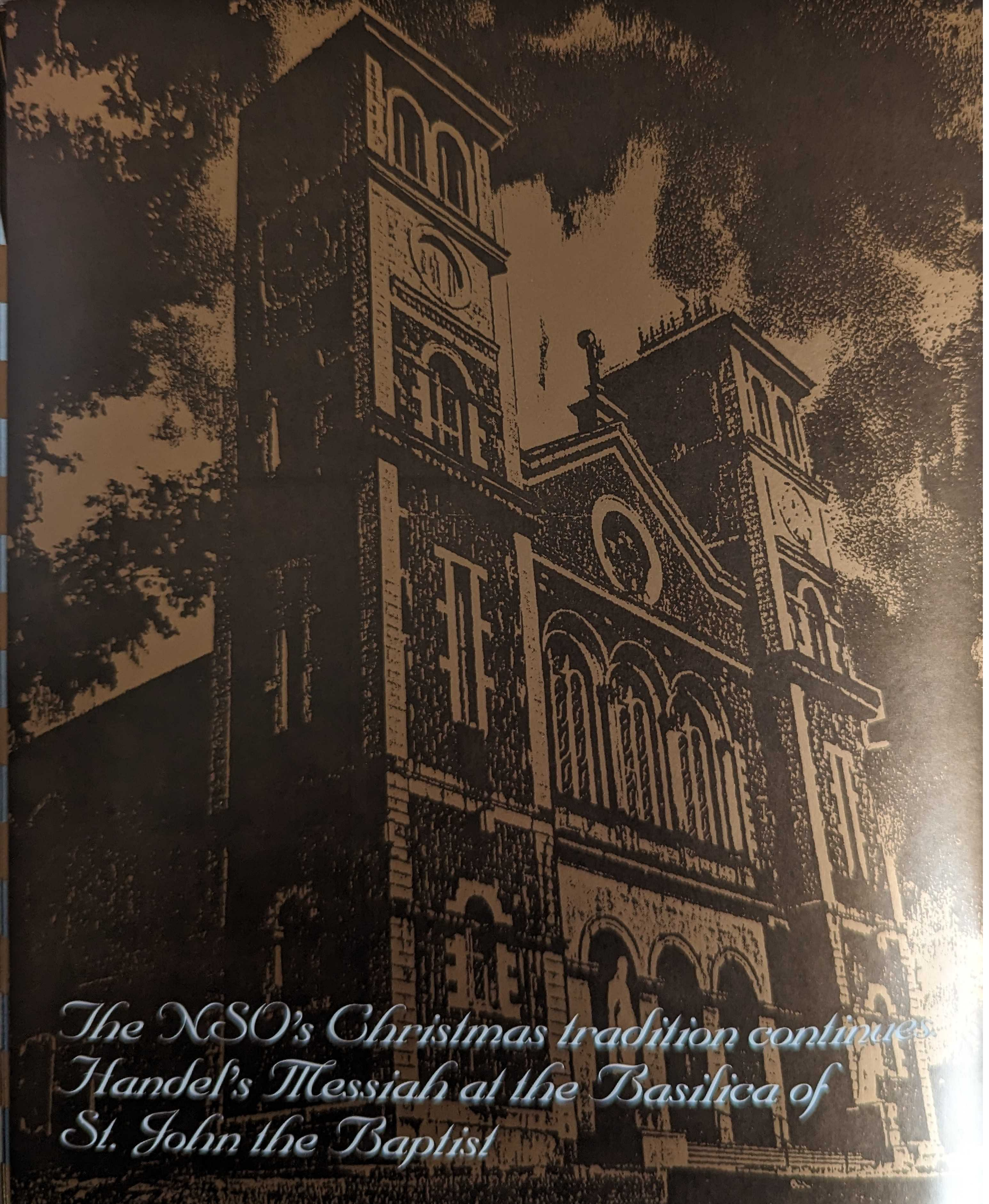
# *Love is in the Air* *A Valentines Day Special*

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14 & SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

This Valentine's Day, surprise a loved one with a night to remember. Your cupids for the evening, Marc David and Jim Duff, will conduct the orchestra setting the mood for romance. Kristina Szutor will be on piano and the Ed Goff Big Band will be creating musical magic. Selections include Prelude and Liebestod, Tristan & Isolde by Wagner and Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 21 in C Major. This concert also includes music by Henry Mancini and Glen Miller, in tribute to the late Ed Goff. This Valentine's Day, come and fall in love with the NSO. The memories begins at 8:00pm at the Arts and Culture Centre.

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*The NSO's Christmas tradition continues.  
Handel's Messiah at the Basilica of  
St. John the Baptist*

# *Handel's Messiah* *Basilica of St. John the Baptist*

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13 & SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14**

A Christmas tradition returns! Douglas Dunsmore conducts the NSO and its Philharmonic Choir for Handel's Messiah, in the intimate surroundings of the Basilica. Featured vocalists include Soprano Arlene Simmons, Mezzo Soprano Pamela MacDonald, Tenor Timothy Stalter and Baritone Neil Edwards. Beautiful music that the entire family can enjoy, for a very special time of year. The performance begins at 8:00pm.



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