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A book-signing and reception follow tonight’s event.  

_A Lincoln Portrait_  
Aaron Copland, _composer_  
Boosey & Hawkes (NY), _publisher_  

_Please silence cell phones, digital watches and paging devices before the concert.  
The use of any recording device (audio or video) and  
the taking of photographs (with or without a flash) are strictly prohibited._
As a political ethics scholar, William Lee Miller explores how American leaders have legitimized politics using moral terms. Miller, Scholar in Ethics and Institutions at the Miller Center of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia, has been a staff writer for a national magazine, a speechwriter for a presidential campaign and an alderman in an Eastern city. He has also taught at Yale, Smith College and Indiana University. Until his retirement in 1999, Dr. Miller was the Thomas C. Sorensen Professor of Political and Social Thought at the University of Virginia. Among his many books are Arguing About Slavery: The Great Debate in the United States; Of Thee, Nevertheless I Sing: An Essay on American Political Values; and The First Liberty: Religion and the American Republic. He is a member of the board of the Abraham Lincoln Institute, of the Lincoln Studies Group and of the Lincoln Bicentennial Commission's advisory committee.
Leland Melvin, University of Richmond alumnus and NASA astronaut is leader-in-residence for 2008-09 at the Jepson School of Leadership Studies. Melvin served as the University of Richmond’s commencement speaker in 2008. He is also the recipient of the 2008 University of Richmond Alumni Association Award for Distinguished Service. Melvin has worked at NASA for 19 years. Co-manager of the organization’s Educator Astronaut Program, he travels the country encouraging student interest in science and technology. In 2008, Melvin and a crew of seven others flew on a 13-day, 5.3 million-mile mission to the International Space Station aboard space shuttle Atlantis. He is scheduled for a second mission in the fall of 2009.

Melvin was drafted by the Detroit Lions in the 1986 NFL college draft. While on the Dallas Cowboys’ roster, he suffered an injury that ended his playing career and he decided to pursue his interest in science. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Richmond and a master’s degree in materials science engineering from the University of Virginia.
UNIVERSITY ORCHESTRA ROSTER

1ST VIOLIN
Natalia Sanders, concertmaster
Jessica Clough
Susanna Klein
Treesa Gold
Kosh Kempter
Jordan Cates
Megan Abbott
Merry Gleeson
Joseph Denney
Francoise Moquin
Randy Allen
Emma Greenspon

2ND VIOLIN
Rebecca Stanley, principal
Meredith Tierney, asst. to the director
Sarah Wallace
Radhika Parekh
Caitlin Smith
Patricia Laverty
Linda Anderson
Eileen Downey

VIOLA
Nicholas Trevino, principal
Hannah Goodman, asst. principal
Ashley Andem
Jordan Stewart
Alisha Owner
David Ray

CELLO
Heather Stebbins, principal
Azariah Baggott, asst. principal
Dionne Kimani
Douglas Kellner
Daniel Schauder
Dana McComb
Francis Church

BASS
Samantha Lindsey, principal
Daniel Smither
Andrew Wilhite
Kelly Ali

FLUTE
Keith Hanlon
Katherine Toussaint
Amanda Sellew

OBOE
Audrey Dignan, principal
Mary Baumann, asst. principal

CLARINET
Michael Goldberg, principal
Nancy Angelica, asst. principal

BASSOON
Arnold Wexler, principal
Shary Adams

FRENCH HORN
Brian Fairtile, principal
Amy Roberts
Claire Ligon
Dale Dean
Roxanne O’Brien

TRUMPET
Mike Davidson*
Matt Jordan
Patrick King
Brian Henderson

TROMBONE
Samuel Goldman, principal
Lauren Taylor, asst. principal
Thad Williamson*

TUBA
Russell Wolz

TIMPANI
Ray Breakall*

PERCUSSION
Mike Coleman
John Hubbard*
Ari Corson

HARP
Elizabeth Khoury

*UR faculty/staff
Alexander Kordzaia accepted the position of Music Director of the University of Richmond Orchestra in 2007. A conductor and pianist, he is a native of Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia. At the time he graduated from the Tbilisi Conservatory of Music, Kordzaia was the Music Director and Conductor of the Georgia State Cappella and assistant conductor at the Tbilisi Opera House—the two most prestigious musical organizations in the nation. Kordzaia led both of these groups on triumphant tours of the former U.S.S.R.

Kordzaia came to the United States in 1991 to further his studies at the Mannes College of Music and The Juilliard School of Music in New York City. Since his arrival in the U.S., Kordzaia has performed with and conducted orchestras to overwhelming critical acclaim. His recent engagements include conducting the Cincinnati Symphony musicians for the American Harp Society National Conference; the Cincinnati Symphonietta; the Okanogan Symphony (Spokane, Washington); a European tour with the American Youth Harp Ensemble; the Charlotte Civic Orchestra (Charlotte, North Carolina) and, most recently, the University of Richmond Orchestra.
The Jepson Leadership Forum 2008-2009

Abraham Lincoln’s Legacy of Leadership

In 1861, a little-known, one-term congressman from Illinois became the 16th president of the United States. Abraham Lincoln is now recognized as one of the country’s greatest leaders. The Jepson Leadership Forum observes the bicentennial of Lincoln’s birth and examines his moral leadership and political genius.

Feb. 26, 2009 • 4 p.m. • Jepson Alumni Center
Conversation on Race, Reconciliation and Richmond

Through slavery, Reconstruction, the Jim Crow and the Civil Rights eras, Richmond remains defined by its complex past. The community is invited to discuss race and social justice with Christy S. Coleman, CEO of the Center for the America Civil War at Historic Tredegar, and Linda Powell Pruitt, President and CEO of Leadership Metro Richmond.

March 12, 2009 • 7:30 p.m. • Jepson Alumni Center
Tried by War: Lincoln as Commander in Chief

Abraham Lincoln confronted greater challenges as commander-in-chief than any other American president. Historian James M. McPherson explores military strategy, power and the leadership of Lincoln during the Civil War. This talk opens a two-day Lincoln and the South conference, presented by the American Civil War Center at Historic Tredegar.

March 12-14, 2009 • Jepson Alumni Center
Lincoln and the South

Internationally recognized scholars from across the country will convene in Richmond to discuss the genesis of the region’s antipathy for the “rail splitter,” the evolution of his policy of Emancipation, his characterization by the South over the course of the war, and, perhaps most importantly, how Southerners have wrestled with Lincoln’s legacy since his assassination.

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