

# William Eddins



**William Eddins** is the Music Director of the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra and a frequent guest conductor of major orchestras throughout the world. He was Principal Guest Conductor of the RTÉ National Symphony Orchestra (Ireland) from 2001 to 2006. Early in his career he was a Resident Conductor of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Associate Conductor of the Minnesota Orchestra.

Engagements have included the New York Philharmonic, St. Louis Symphony, Philadelphia Orchestra, the symphony orchestras of San Francisco, Minnesota, Cincinnati, Atlanta, Detroit, Dallas, Baltimore, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, Houston, as well as the Los Angeles and Buffalo Philharmonics.

Internationally, Mr. Eddins has conducted the Berlin Staatskapelle, Berlin Radio Orchestra, Welsh National Opera, Royal Scottish National Orchestra, Bergen Philharmonic Adelaide Symphony Orchestra (Australia), Barcelona Symphony Orchestra, the RAI Orchestra Sinfonica Nazionale (Italy), and the Lisbon Metropolitan Orchestra. He conducted a full production of *Porgy and Bess* in May and June of 2008 with Opera de Lyon and will conduct a revival of the production during the summer of 2010.

Mr. Eddins is an accomplished pianist and chamber musician. He regularly conducts from the piano in works by Mozart, Beethoven, Gershwin and Ravel. He has released a compact disc recording on his own label that includes Beethoven's *Hammer-Klavier Sonata* and William Albright's *The Nightmare Fantasy Rag*..sonatabop.com)

Mr. Eddins has performed at the Ravinia Festival with both the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Ravinia Festival Orchestra. He has also conducted the orchestras of the Chautauqua Festival, Aspen Music Festival, the Hollywood Bowl, the Boston University Tanglewood Institute and the Civic Orchestra of Chicago.

A native of Buffalo, NY, (born in December 1964) Mr. Eddins attended the Eastman School of Music, studying with David Effron and graduating at age eighteen, making him the youngest graduate in the history of the institution. Previous positions include Resident Conductor of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Associate Conductor of the Minnesota Orchestra. He also studied conducting with Daniel Lewis at the University of Southern California and was a founding member of the New World Symphony in Miami, FL. (Updated 10-09)