



Dr. Patricio Cobos Music Director and Conductor

Music Director and Conductor Patricio Cobos began the study of violin at the age of five in his native Santiago, Chile. He attended the National Conservatory of Music, and at sixteen he made his solo debut with the Chile Philharmonic Orchestra. A fellowship from the Rockefeller Foundation brought him to the United States. He received a French Government fellowship for advanced studies in violin, conducting, and chamber music after completing graduate studies at Florida State University. As first violinist of the prestigious Rowe String Quartet, he made his New York debut in 1978 to rave reviews of the New York Times. Later that year the Rowe Quartet, in addition to the Peabody Award, won the "Gabriel" and the "Iris" awards for the television film, "The Rowe Quartet Plays in Your Imagination." Concert tours took him to the principal concert halls in North America, Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia and South America. He travels every summer to Chile to teach, perform and conduct. This work is sponsored by the Chilean Ministry of Education. In May 2007 LaGrange College awarded him a Doctor of Music Honoris Causa Degree. Maestro Cobos has served as Music Director and Conductor of the LaGrange Symphony since 2001.