Diane Wittry, Conductor

Diane Wittry, named nationally as one of the "*Top 30 Professional Musicians*" by Musical America Worldwide for her work leading orchestras, is a highly respected conductor in the United States today. Currently the Music Director of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra, PA, under Diane Wittry's artistic leadership, the orchestra has risen to increasing standards of excellence, performing exciting music with passion and dedication, and expanding its concert season.

Frequently engaged as a guest conductor, Diane Wittry has led symphonic performances in more than 11 countries and throughout the U.S. Orchestras she has guest conducted include New Jersey Symphony, The Houston Symphony, The Los Angeles Philharmonic, The Milwaukee Symphony, The San Diego Symphony, The Buffalo Philharmonic, among others, and she was one of the first woman to guest conduct at the renown Ojai Music Festival, CA.

In addition to her work with the ASO, Diane Wittry has been the Music Director and Conductor of the Garden State Philharmonic, NJ; she has served as the Associate Conductor of the renowned Ojai Music Festival (CA); the Artistic Director of the International Music Program with the Sarajevo Philharmonic, Bosnia; and Music Director and Conductor of the Symphony of Southeast Texas, the Norwalk Symphony (CT), and the Ridgewood Symphony (NJ).

Wittry is an award-winning author, composer, and teacher. Her two books, *Beyond the Baton*, and *Baton Basics-Communicating Music through Gestures*, have become standards in the field, and she has given presentations at the Juilliard School of Music, the Curtis Institute, the Manhattan School of Music, and for the League of American Orchestras and the Conductors Guild National Conferences. Sought after as a conducting teacher, Wittry regularly teaches seminars and conducting master classes throughout the world.

More information on her work is available at her website: https://dianewittry.com/ Or Visit: Miller Symphony Hall – Home of the Allentown Symphony https://www.millersymphonyhall.org/

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