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## Frost School of Music partners with Miami Symphony Orchestra for new program

The Frost School of Music and the Miami Symphony Orchestra have partnered for a new Assistant Conductor Program that will offer an apprenticeship with the Miami Symphony Orchestra for a period of two years. Maestro Eduardo Marturet, music director and conductor of the Miami Symphony Orchestra, will select the assistant conductor—who will have the opportunity to conduct the orchestra in rehearsals and concerts—from a group of Frost School graduate students.

“We are very excited about the partnership between the Miami Symphony and the Frost School,” said Dean Shelton Berg of the Frost School. “This relationship allows a brilliant Frost doctoral student to collaborate and ‘share the podium’ with the MSO’s esteemed conductor, Eduardo Marturet.”

The first UM candidate selected to enter the program is Cristian Grasses, who is completing his last year of a doctoral degree in musical arts study. Grasses will conduct the Miami Symphony Orchestra’s Florida premiere of Dean Berg’s *Blackbird Pavanne, Incandescent, Iridescent, Effervescent* during the symphony’s “Made in America” concert series on February 7 and 8 at the Gusman Concert Hall at UM and the Lincoln Theatre, respectively.

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