



## **Motoaki Kashino**

*Playing for the Sheer Love of Making Music*

### **City/Town of Residence:**

I live in Waukesha now, but am a native of Hiroshima, Japan. I came to the United States to attend Indiana University in music, and in 2005 got my bachelor's degree in music and theater there. I came to Milwaukee and in 2008 earned a Master's Degree in conducting at UWM.

**Instrument:** Bass trombone

### **How long have you been with Concord?**

I believe this is my second full season with the CCO. I did not play with Concord last season.

### **What is your earliest musical memory?**

Singing at a funeral when I was one or two years old to try to make the sad people happier. I didn't know any better, and people told me it was well received.

### **What is your musical background?**

I enjoyed it when music ensembles came to my school to play for us, so I got involved in the school band.

### **Why do you perform with Concord?**

I got involved because I knew some people in the group and they told me they needed a bass trombone. I find it refreshing to play with volunteers because they play for the sheer love of making music.

### **What has been the high point of your involvement with Concord?**

Two things come to mind. One is conducting the CCO on Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 3. The other is playing the Viennese Ball [Ed. note: on Viennese waltzes, the bass trombone has the best of the three trombone parts.]

### **What do you do for a living?**

I am an adjunct faculty member at Carroll University in Waukesha (teaching music appreciation this semester) and its Director of Orchestras.

### **Tell us about your family.**

I am an only child, and the only one in my family with an interest and aptitude in music.

### **What is your favorite recording?**

Faure's *Requiem* by the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Charles Dutoit.

### **Who is your favorite composer?**

Brahms right now.

**What is one thing most people don't know about you?**

When I was in second grade I was such a good painter that my paintings were exhibited internationally.

**What is your advice for kids who are interested in music?**

Learn what you like. Do what it takes to keep music exciting for you.