

## Christopher Deacon Managing Director, National Arts Centre Orchestra

Christopher Deacon joined the National Arts Centre Orchestra as Tour Manager in 1987. He became Orchestra Manager in 1989 and Managing Director in 1996. As such, he is responsible for the executive direction of the Music Department and the Orchestra, including administration, operations, and developing opportunities for the Orchestra in Canada and internationally.

Before coming to Ottawa, Mr. Deacon was Director of Operations for the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony, and Coordinator of Grants and Artists at the National Youth Orchestra of Canada. He began his arts administration career in 1982 as the sole administrative staff member of the Toronto new music concert series Arraymusic.

Mr. Deacon received a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Toronto, after studies at the Conservatoire de Musique à Hull in Quebec.