# PROF BRIAN FOSTER

Getting Sidetracked!

# My first physics encounter.

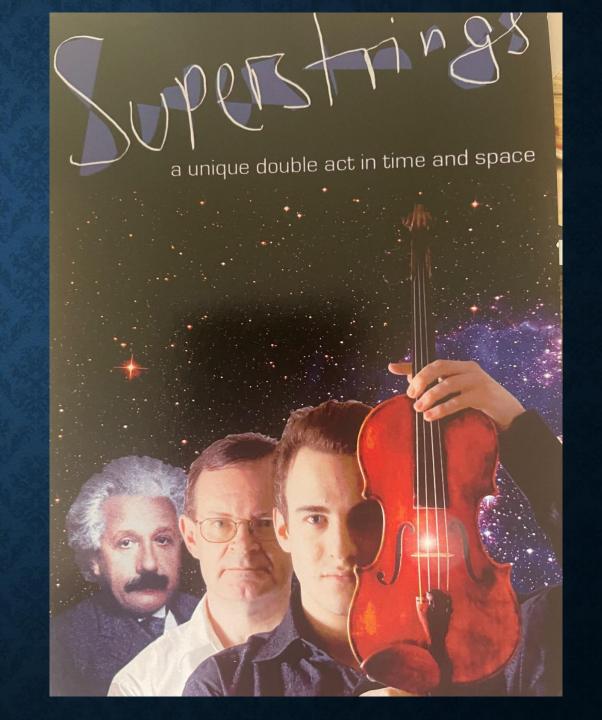








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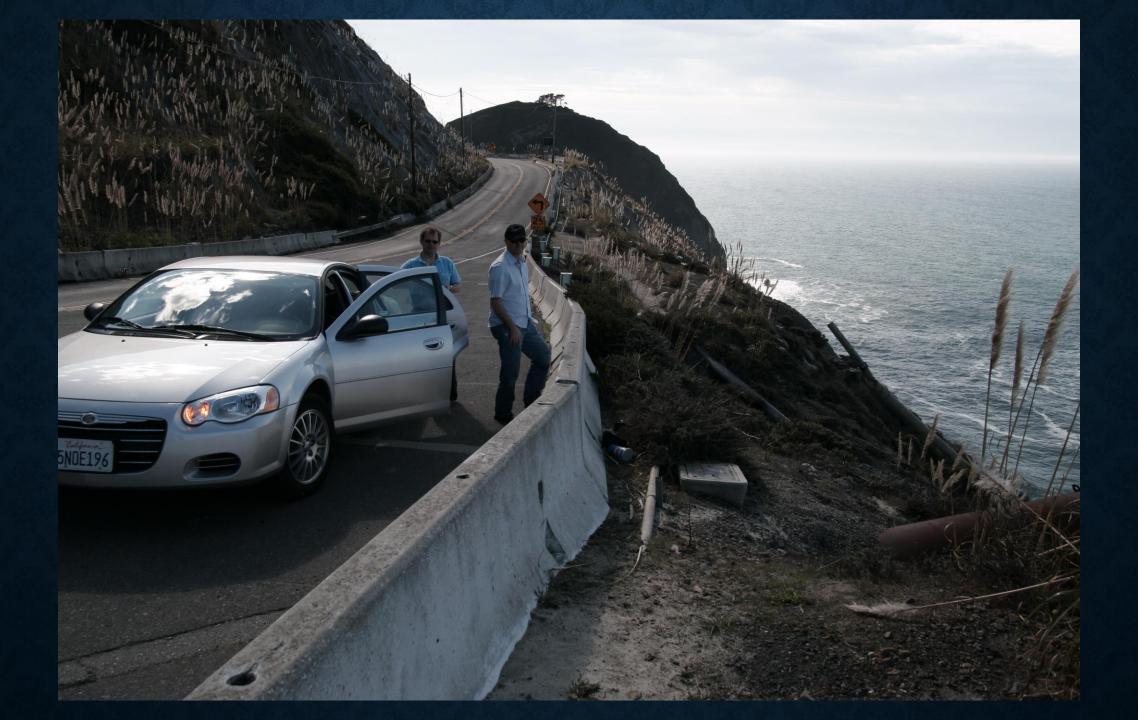






#### Natural Habitat...

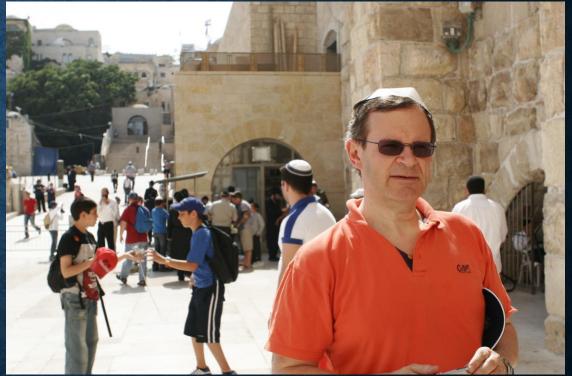




# With Ian Shipsey









#### Los Alamos Newsline



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#### Lab faces challenges and change

"This past year was another outstanding year for the Laboratory," Director Michael Anastasio told Michael Anastrato told employees Wechesdry in his semi-annal Lab update. "We had many challenges and we met them. There are more chal-lenges about and it will require all of us to pull together to face them. It will mean some change — but I think it will be for the better."

ered five major topics: safety; accomplishments during the past year, the budget, contract the Laboratory for the future.

Safety
Anastasis begon by highhighting safety and making special note that we are entiring
the holiday assure. He stressed the
importance of recogning those special, if infinquant, hazards have part of the holidays, "whether
it is cutting the turkey with a newly sharpened lastife



or climbing the ladder to clean gutters or put up holi-day lights. Spend an extra moment to think about

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#### Lab's FY06 budget takes shape as appropriations bill makes its way through Congress

By Bob Hirschfeld NEWSLINE SPAT WRITER

Many Lab programs moved a step closer to Many Lab programs moved a step closer to receiving their FY06 budget this week, after the House of Representatives approved the Energy and Water Development Appropriations confer-ence agreement on Wednesday. It will be considered next week in the Senate.

Contingent upon approval by the Senate and the President, the Department of Energy will develop allocations for its sites, including LLNL, based

upon the figures recommended in this bill.

The bill provides funding for all DOE programs including the majority of the efforts at the Laboratory that are managed by DOE's Office of Science and the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA).

The NNSA funding includes \$1.63 billion in defense nuclear nonproliferation and \$6.43 billion in weapons activities that are close to the budgets requested by President Bush.

The weapons activities include funding for the Lab's programs in directed stockpile work, the Advanced Simulation and Computing Campaign, the Inertial Confinement Fusion and High Yield

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#### Aurora project teams bring forth initiatives for Lab's 2025 vision



Predictive knowledge systems to extract insight from massive data sets to assist in global security, a new external user laser facility, research and development to understand what happens at the membrane of proteins, and transformational materials research and development that supports nuclear weapons and the

These are a few of the initiatives brought forth by team members as part of Aurora, the Lab's 2025 strategic vision process.

At his all hands meeting on Wednesday, as

well as a special meeting for the more than 100 Aurora participants on Tuesday, Director tives and ways the Lab will fund and address

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work

#### Modern physics in concert with **Einstein theories**

By Charles Osolin NEWSONE STATY WRITER

Two very different types of strings — the kind that produce sublime music, and the kind that spring from elegant theories - were the focus of Monday's Director's Distinguished Lecturer Series presentation.
Particle physicist Brian

Foster of Oxford University and British violinist Jack Liebeck entertained and stimulated an overflow audience in the Blds 123 auditorium with a review of the last 100 years of physics the ory, punctuated by musical inter-

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Violinist Jack Liebeck (left) was joined by Brian Foster, for a duet by the viorinis jack Lieneck (jett) was joined ny strain risite; for a duet ny the 18th century composer Luigi Bocchenin, at the conclusion of Monday's DDIS. Foster, a professor of experimental physics at Oxford University, punchated this topic, "Efficient to Superstrings," with Liebeds's violin virtuosity. The backdrup shows Einstein playing the violin as well.

New year.

officers

new LLLWA







Prosnitz strikes balance in Science

### Korean Food





#### Royal Society of New Zealand and Chamber Music NZ Tour



# Only time Brian lost his focus...



















Around 30,000 have been to see our lectures...!

Countless children being put off both Particle Physics and the music of Bach and Mozart.

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### Never meet your heroes...





### The Birth of Oxford May Music





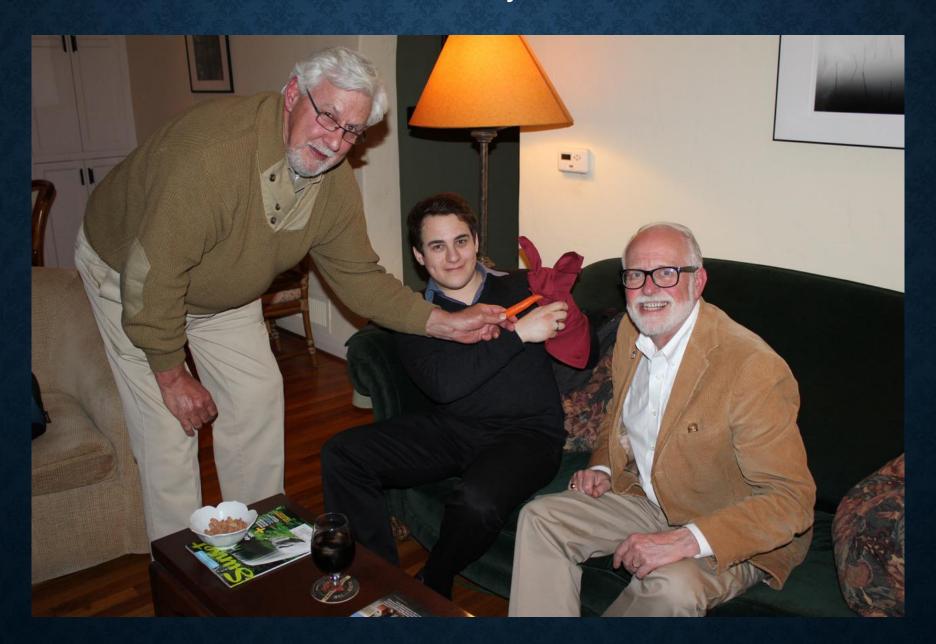








#### Made fabulous friends – Bill and John – our LA connection





# DESY Retirement concert at Hamburg Elbphilharmonie





#### Most recent lecture in Lisbon





#### A Natural Born Performer...

"M.C. Foster - rapper extraordinaire, his long awaited Gangsta-Physics Rap Album, "Guns Don't Kill People, High Energy Gamma Rays Do", will be out very soon..."

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