

2016–2017 SEASON CHRONOLOGICAL LISTING OF CONCERTS

As of July 28, 2016

SPECIAL PERFORMANCES THE LEGEND OF ZELDA: SYMPHONY OF THE GODDESSES – MASTER QUEST

Wednesday, September 14, at 7:30 p.m.

Amy Andersson, conductor Seattle Pro Musica, chorus Seattle Symphony

Journey back to the land of Hyrule with Master Quest, the next chapter in the acclaimed world tour, The Legend of Zelda: Symphony of the Goddesses. Master Quest is a never before seen or heard multimedia concert experience that celebrates the beloved 29-year-old The Legend of Zelda franchise.

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SPECIAL PERFORMANCES OPENING NIGHT CONCERT & GALA

Saturday, September 17, at 5 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Joyce DiDonato, mezzo-soprano Seattle Symphony

JOHN STAFFORD SMITH	The Star-Spangled Banner
HANDEL	Overture from Music for the Royal Fireworks
HANDEL	Entrance of the Queen of Sheba from Solomon
PACINI	"Ove t'aggiri, o barbaro" ("Where are you, O cruel man?") from
	Stella di Napoli ("Star of Naples")
HANDEL	"Ombra mai fu," Aria from Xerxes
ROSSINI	"Tanti affetti" ("So many emotions") from La donna del lago
Trad./FREDERICK WEATHERLY	"Danny Boy"
RODGERS/HAMMERSTEIN	"You'll Never Walk Alone" from Carousel
BERNSTEIN	Overture to West Side Story
BERNSTEIN/SONDHEIM	"I Feel Pretty" from West Side Story

GEORGE GERSHWIN/IRA GERSHWIN WILLIAM BOLCOM RICHARD RODGERS HAROLD ARLEN

"Embraceable You" from *Girl Crazy Ragomania* A Classic Festival-Overture "Kansas City" from *Oklahoma!* "Over The Rainbow"

Music Director Ludovic Morlot and the Symphony open the new season with a spectacular evening of music that brings you the best of two worlds: the soaring beauty of the world of opera and the familiar favorites from the great American songbook performed by the incredible mezzo-soprano Joyce DiDonato who has become one of the most in-demand singers in the world today. Don't miss this season opening program of old world elegance and new world vivacity that will leave you charmed and excited for the season ahead.

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DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON MORLOT CONDUCTS BEETHOVEN & PROKOFIEV

Thursday, September 22, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, September 24, at 8 p.m. Sunday, September 25, at 2 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Seattle Symphony

PROKOFIEVThe Love for Three Oranges Symphonic SuiteBEETHOVENSymphony No. 1 in C majorGABRIEL PROKOFIEVWhen the City Rules (World Premiere)BEETHOVENSymphony No. 8 in F major

Our monumental Beethoven cycle enters its second season with the innovative Symphony No. 1 and the elegant Symphony No. 8. Two other trendsetters reflect Beethoven's daring legacy: Sergey Prokofiev, unabashed in his wit and whimsy, and grandson Gabriel Prokofiev, an electrified, genre-bending composer/producer.

The commission by Gabriel Prokofiev is generously supported by Norman Sandler and Dale Chihuly.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON ELGAR CELLO CONCERTO

Thursday, September 29, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, September 30, at 12 noon Saturday, October 1, at 8 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Xavier Phillips, cello Seattle Symphony

R. STRAUSS Waltz Sequence No. 1 from *Der Rosenkavalier* ELGAR Cello Concerto in E minor

DVOŘÁK Symphony No. 5 in F major

The poetic Xavier Phillips brings us Elgar's brooding Cello Concerto, a keystone of the cello repertoire, that speaks in tones of quiet anguish and exultant beauty. In the Fifth Symphony of Dvořák, experience the determination and passion of a young Czech composer embracing his Slavic roots.

Xavier Phillips' performances are generously underwritten by Sheila B. Noonan and Peter M. Hartley.

TINY TOTS SERIES GOLDYHANDS AND THE THREE BOWS

Friday, October 7, at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, October 8, at 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Illsley Ball Nordstrom Recital Hall

Let Your Music Shine with Lisa & Linda[™]

It is a very musical life for Goldyhands! This treasured fairy tale shimmers with musical enchantment when "*Four Seasons*" of musical play engage audiences young and old. Accompanied by the music of Antonio Vivaldi and a string trio.

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SEATTLE POPS SERIES Title Sponsor: MCM CIRQUE GOES TO THE CINEMA

Friday, October 7, at 8 p.m. Saturday, October 8, at 8 p.m. Sunday, October 9, at 2 p.m.

<u>Stuart Chafetz</u>, conductor <u>Cirque de la Symphonie</u> Seattle Symphony

Cirque de la Symphonie returns to the Benaroya Hall stage with an all-new program of awe-inspiring physical feats of power and beauty! Paired with the music from blockbuster movie classics, including *Titanic, Harry Potter, Back to the Future, Raiders of the Lost Ark* and *Star Wars: Episode II, Attack of the Clones*, this thrill ride includes the spectacle of acrobats, jugglers and aerial flyers soaring high above the heads of the orchestra.

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SPECIAL PERFORMANCES YO-YO MA PLAYS HAYDN Friday, October 14, at 8 p.m.

Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor <u>Yo-Yo Ma</u>, cello Seattle Symphony

BARTÓK	Romanian Folk Dances
MOZART	Symphony No. 29 in A major
MOZART	Symphony in D Major
HAYDN	Cello Concerto No. 1 in C major

Classical music icon Yo-Yo Ma joins the Seattle Symphony for one incredible evening. This concert is sold out.

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DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON AND SPECIAL PERFORMANCES PERLMAN CONDUCTS MOZART REQUIEM

Saturday, October 15, at 8 p.m. Sunday, October 16, at 2 p.m.

Itzhak Perlman, conductor & violin Mary Lynch, oboe Hélène Guilmette, soprano Rowan Hellier, mezzo-soprano Eric Neuville, tenor Stephen Hegedus, baritone Seattle Symphony Chorale Seattle Symphony

J.S. BACH Violin and Oboe Concerto MOZART Requiem

Legendary violinist Itzhak Perlman graces a concerto by Bach — and then he trades his bow for a conductor's baton to lead Mozart's swan song, the Requiem. The Seattle Symphony Chorale breathes new life into this haunting masterpiece.

Saturday night's performance sponsored by Encore Media Group

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BAROQUE & WINE SERIES HANDEL WATER MUSIC

Friday, October 21, at 8 p.m. Saturday, October 22, at 8 p.m.

Richard Egarr, organ and conductor

Seattle Symphony

PURCELL	Suite from The Fairy Queen
LAWES	Fantasy from Consort Set in Six Parts in C major
HANDEL	Organ Concerto in F major, "The Cuckoo and the Nightingale"
HANDEL	Organ Concerto in B flat major
BIBER	Battalia
HANDEL	Water Music Suite

These Baroque masters brought the outside world into their colorful scores, from Handel's birdcalls to Biber's rousing battle scenes. Soak up the luxurious *Water Music* Suite and picture yourself floating on the River Thames, serenaded by Handel himself.

Pre-concert wine tastings begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Grand Lobby. Just \$10 for four pours.

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CLASSICAL KING FM FAMILY CONCERTS LEMONY SNICKET THE COMPOSER IS DEAD

Saturday, October 22, at 11 a.m.

Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor Nathan Lee, piano Seattle Symphony

SAINT-SAËNS RACHMANINOV BERLIOZ NATHANIEL STOOKEY/SNICKET Danse macabre Piano Concerto No. 2 in C minor A Witches' Sabbath from Symphonie fantastique The Composer is Dead

There's dreadful news from the concert hall — the composer is dead! In this wacky murder mystery, everyone seems to have a motive, everyone has an alibi and nearly everyone is a musical instrument. Discover the instruments of the orchestra as the Inspector interrogates all of the usual suspects. Wear your costumes to this symphonic whodunit! Music by Nathaniel Stookey.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON MORLOT CONDUCTS BEETHOVEN

Thursday, October 27, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, October 29, at 8 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Inon Barnatan, piano Seattle Symphony

AGATA ZUBEL	In the Shade of an Unshed Tear (World Premiere)
BEETHOVEN	Piano Concerto No. 3 in C minor
BEETHOVEN	Symphony No. 2 in D major

Prepare to be dazzled by the Third Piano Concerto and the Second Symphony, two pivotal works that blazed a path to glory for young Beethoven. The fascinating Polish-born composer and soprano Agata Zubel, recently hailed by *The New York Times*, brings a brand new orchestral work.

[UNTITLED] SERIES [UNTITLED] 1

Friday, October 28, at 10 p.m.

Samuel & Althea Stroum Grand Lobby

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor <u>Agata Zubel</u>, soprano Seattle Symphony

LUTOSŁAWSKI	Łańcuch 1 ("Chain 1")
LUTOSŁAWSKI	Chantefleurs et Chantefables ("Songflowers and Songfables")
AGATA ZUBEL	Chapter 13

Two landmark works, one ferocious and the other fanciful, speak volumes about Lutosławski, arguably Poland's most innovative and alluring composer since Chopin. Hailed by *The New York Times* as an important new voice, Polish composer and singer Agata Zubel's works are captivating and remarkable worlds of sound for the 21st century.

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DISTINGUISHED ARTISTS SERIES HILARY HAHN IN RECITAL

Sunday, October 30, at 2 p.m.

<u>Hilary Hahn</u>, violin Robert Levin, piano

J. S. BACH ANTÓN GARCÍA ABRIL WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART HANS PETER TÜRK FRANZ SCHUBERT Violin Sonata No. 6 in G Major Solo Partita for Violin Violin Sonata No. 33 in E-flat Major *Träume* ("Dreams") for Piano Solo (written for Robert Levin) Rondo in B Minor for Violin and Piano

Hilary Hahn approaches the violin recital with the same clarity and refinement that sets her apart as a concerto soloist. From the bedrock of Bach to brand-new commissions, Hahn's compelling programs and brilliant interpretations reinvigorate the violin repertoire.

Hilary Hahn's 2016-17 residency is generously supported by the Judith Fong Music Director's Fund.

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DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON MORLOT CONDUCTS TCHAIKOVSKY

Thursday, November 3, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, November 5, at 8 p.m. Sunday, November 6, at 2 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Sergey Khachatryan, violin Seattle Symphony

BERLIOZ	Overture to Les francs-juges ("Judges of the Secret Court")
SIBELIUS	Violin Concerto in D minor
TCHAIKOVSKY	Symphony No. 5 in E minor

Follow Tchaikovsky through the trials of the Fifth Symphony as he confronts doubt and destiny and navigates a hard-earned triumph. In Sibelius' Violin Concerto, skate from an icy chill toward a romping finale once dubbed a "polonaise for polar bears."

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SPECIAL PERFORMANCES DUDAMEL & THE LA PHIL

Friday, November 4, at 8 p.m.

<u>Gustavo Dudamel</u>, conductor Los Angeles Philharmonic

MAHLER Symphony No. 9 in D major

The Los Angeles Philharmonic, under the leadership of Music & Artistic Director Gustavo Dudamel, comes to Benaroya Hall for a one-night-only concert event featuring Mahler's deeply personal Ninth Symphony, his final completed masterpiece.

Gustavo Dudamel and the Los Angeles Philharmonic's performance is underwritten by Martin Selig and Catherine Mayer.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON / WOLFGANG SERIES PICTURES AT AN EXHIBITION

Thursday, November 10, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, November 12, at 8 p.m.

Alan Buribayev, conductor Sol Gabetta, cello Seattle Symphony RIMSKY-KORSAKOVSuite from The Tale of Tsar SaltanSAINT-SAËNSCello Concerto No. 1 in A minorMUSSORGSKYPictures at an Exhibition

Stroll with Mussorgsky through the sonic delights of *Pictures at an Exhibition*, each scene rendered in vivid strokes by Ravel's arrangement. The Cello Concerto No. 1 of Saint-Saëns makes its own ever-expanding journey into a bewitching array of orchestral color.

Thursday night's performance sponsored by Russell Investments

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SPECIAL PERFORMANCES / EARSHOT JAZZ FESTIVAL SONIC EVOLUTION CO-PRESENTED WITH EARSHOT JAZZ Friday, November 11, at 8 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Grace Love, vocals Danny Quintero, vocals Benjamin Lulich, clarinet The Cuong Vu Group Garfield High School Jazz Band Seattle Symphony

KENJI BUNCHMegalopolis (World Premiere)SCOTT MCALLISTERBlack DogCUONG VUOne, dedicated to Quincy JonesSelections from Ernestine AndersonSelections from Quincy Jones

Our annual Sonic Evolution concert is defined by its exuberance, its genre blending, its Seattle orientation and its wonderful unpredictability. This year we celebrate two extraordinary Seattle musicians, the incomparable composer, record producer, conductor and humanitarian Quincy Jones, who we honor with a new work by noted composer Kenji Bunch. And we celebrate Mr. Jones' classmate at Garfield High School, the legendary jazz and blues singer Ernestine Anderson. To bring the music to life Music Director Ludovic Morlot has invited the famed Garfield High School Jazz Band and singer Grace Love to join in the fun.

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CHAMBER SERIES RAVEL & MOZART

Tuesday, November 15, at 7:30 p.m.

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Laura DeLuca, clarinet Natasha Bazhanov, violin Artur Girsky, violin Mae Lin, violin Cordula Merks, violin Allison Farkas, viola Mara Gearman, viola Julie Whitton, viola Meeka Quan DiLorenzo, cello Rowena Hammill, cello Eric Han, cello Jessica Choe, piano Oksana Ezhokina, piano

RAVEL	Sonata for Violin & Cello
SOFIA GUBAIDULINA	Piano Quintet
SCHNITTKE	String Quartet No. 3
MOZART	Trio in E-flat major, "Kegelstatt"

Such beautiful friendships! Mozart's charming trio captures his affection for a close friend who inspired groundbreaking new works for clarinet. Ravel's Sonata memorializes his frenemy, Debussy, and works by two Soviet composers show deep regard for their role model, Shostakovich.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON RACHMANINOV PIANO CONCERTO NO. 4

Thursday, November 17, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, November 18, at 12 noon Saturday, November 19, at 8 p.m.

<u>Mikhail Agrest</u>, conductor <u>Lucas Debargue</u>, piano Seattle Symphony

TCHAIKOVSKY	Mazeppa Overture
RACHMANINOV	Piano Concerto No. 4 in G minor
SHOSTAKOVICH	Symphony No. 11 in G minor

How to make sense of a changing world? Grapple with the past. Shostakovich's monumental Symphony No. 11 reaches back from Soviet Russia to the explosive Revolution of 1905, while Rachmaninov's final piano concerto revives Old World grandeur.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON THE DREAM OF GERONTIUS

Thursday, December 1, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, December 3, at 8 p.m. Edward Gardner, conductor Sasha Cooke, mezzo-soprano Robert Murray, tenor David Soar, baritone Seattle Symphony Chorale Seattle Symphony

ELGAR The Dream of Gerontius

Arguably the British composer's greatest work, which unites deep spiritual faith and soaring music to trace the voyage of a soul toward death and beyond. From searing agony to quiet exultation, this humbling oratorio is a sonic wonder speaking to all those who seek to understand humanity and life's meaning, regardless of background.

CLASSICAL KING FM FAMILY CONCERTS ROB KAPILOW THE POLAR EXPRESS

Saturday, December 3, at 11 a.m.

Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor Northwest Boychoir, Apprentices Seattle Symphony

LÉO DELIBES	Prelude and Mazurka from Coppélia
GEORGES BIZET	"La garde montante" from Carmen
LEROY ANDERSON	Sleigh Ride
MYKOLA LEONTOVYC	CH "Carol Of The Bells"
FRANZ XAVER GRUBE	ER "Silent Night"
J. PIERPONT	"Jingle Bells"
ROBERT KAPILOW	The Polar Express

Make your musical holiday memories this season with the Seattle Symphony. The blockbuster Alan Silvestri and Glen Ballard film score has been masterfully scored for full orchestra. *The Polar Express* medley includes "Believe," "The Polar Express," "When Christmas Comes to Town" and "Spirit of the Season." Bring the entire family together to enjoy the beautiful music and holiday spirit.

SPECIAL EVENT HOLIDAY MUSICAL SALUTE

Tuesday, December 6, at 10:30 a.m.

Westin Seattle Hotel

Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor Marie Leou, violin Stephen Leou, cello <u>Seattle Girls' Choir</u> Seattle Symphony Kick off the holidays at the Seattle Symphony's annual Holiday Musical Salute, featuring pop-up gift shops and a concert of seasonal favorites by the Seattle Symphony. This popular holiday tradition includes a hot cider reception and luncheon, all to benefit the Seattle Symphony Players' Pension Plan. It's the perfect way to start the holiday season!

RSVP to 206.215.4868

TINY TOTS SERIES HOLIDAY HOORAY!

Friday, December 9, at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, December 10, at 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Illsley Ball Nordstrom Recital Hall

Let Your Music Shine with Lisa & Linda[™]

Hooray, hooray, we'll have fun in the snow today! Sing along to frosty favorites while you move along with miniatures from "The Nutcracker," "Babes in Toyland" and other sparkly holiday classics. Accompanied by a brass trio.

SEATTLE POPS SERIES Title Sponsor: MCM HOLIDAY POPS

Friday, December 9, at 8 p.m. Saturday, December 10, at 2 & 8 p.m. Sunday, December 11, at 2 p.m.

<u>Stuart Chafetz</u>, conductor Nicole Parker, vocals <u>Hugh Panaro</u>, vocals <u>University of Washington Chorale</u> Seattle Symphony

Conductor Stuart Chafetz and the University of Washington Chorale return after this past year's sensational debut of the new Holiday Pops program. Joining in will be singer and comedienne Nicole Parker, star of *Wicked* and *Mad TV*. This year's program promises to delight you with holiday classics and surprise you with humor, joy and the heartfelt warmth of the season.

HOLIDAY SPECIALS HANDEL MESSIAH

Friday, December 16, at 8 p.m. Saturday, December 17, at 1 & 8 p.m. Sunday, December 18, at 2 p.m. Stephen Layton, conductor Eleanor Dennis, soprano Helen Charlston, alto Gwilym Bowen, tenor Robert Davies, baritone Seattle Symphony Chorale Seattle Symphony

HANDEL: Messiah

A triumph of music and text, Handel's *Messiah* is a matchless December tradition. The Symphony, Chorale and a strong cast of soloists honor Handel's greatest work.

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HOLIDAY SPECIALS A FESTIVAL OF LESSONS & CAROLS

Friday, December 23, at 7:30 p.m.

Joseph Crnko, conductor <u>Northwest Boychoir</u> <u>Vocalpoint! Seattle</u> Members of the <u>Northwest Sinfonia</u>

The remarkably talented and endearing Northwest Boychoir along with Vocalpoint! Seattle present the story of the Nativity told through reading, choral setting and audience carols. A heart-warming evening of music perfect for the whole family.

HOLIDAY SPECIALS THE FOUR SEASONS

Wednesday, December 28, at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, December 29, at 7:30 p.m.

Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor <u>Elisa Barston</u>, violin <u>Patricio Touceda and Eva Lucero</u>, tango dancers Seattle Symphony

PIAZZOLLA The Four Seasons of Buenos Aires VIVALDI The Four Seasons

Back by popular demand, Vivaldi's lyrical masterpiece sings with color and beauty. Paired with the tangoinspired work by famed Argentinian composer Astor Piazzolla's *The Four Seasons of Buenos Aires*, featuring renowned tango dancers Touceda and Lucero. A dazzling evening that will take you from the most celebrated of Italian Baroque composers to the passionate rhythms of Argentina.

UNTUXED SERIES VIVALDI UNTUXED

Friday, December 30, at 7 p.m.

Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor <u>Elisa Barston</u>, violin Jonathan Green, host Seattle Symphony

VIVALDI The Four Seasons

One of the most popular classical works ever written, *The Four Seasons* — four violin concertos — each capturing the mood and story of specific seasons of the year, continues to thrill and seduce audiences even after 300 years.

HOLIDAY SPECIALS NEW YEAR'S EVE CLASSICAL SOUL OF MOTOWN

Saturday, December 31, at 9 p.m.

<u>Michael Krajewski</u>, conductor <u>Capathia Jenkins</u>, vocals <u>Darius de Haas</u>, vocals Calla Graver, vocals Nick Trawick, vocals DeShana Wooden, vocals Seattle Symphony

What better way to celebrate the New Year than with the Seattle Symphony performing the timeless grooves of classic soul. The astounding voices of Capathia Jenkins and her Broadway co-star Darius de Haas will revisit the kings and queens of that iconic era, including Aretha Franklin, Marvin Gaye, Tina Turner, Stevie Wonder and many more. Conductor Michael Krajewski leads the Symphony in this return to the music you know and love. Follow the performance with a post-concert party that includes a glass of champagne, a live performance and dancing all the way to the midnight countdown and beyond!

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON BEETHOVEN SYMPHONY NO. 9

Thursday, January 5, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, January 7, at 8 p.m. Sunday, January 8, at 2 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor <u>Mary Elizabeth Williams</u>, soprano <u>Rinat Shaham</u>, mezzo-soprano Kenneth Tarver, tenor Jonathan Lemalu, bass Cynthia Millar, ondes martenot Michael Brown, piano Northwest Boychoir Seattle Symphony

MESSIAEN Trois Petites Liturgies de la Présence Divine BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 9 in D minor

Start your year on the right note with Beethoven's awe-inspiring *Ode to Joy*, the crowning jewel atop his transformative Ninth Symphony. Music from Messiaen, France's colorful mystic, sets a scene of wonder and lightness.

Support for Messiaen's *Trois Petites Liturgies de la Présence Divine* is generously provided by the Judith Fong Music Director's Fund.

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SEATTLE POPS SERIES Title Sponsor: MCM LUCK BE A LADY MEGAN HILTY SINGS SINATRA & MORE

Friday, January 13, at 8 p.m. Saturday, January 14, at 8 p.m. Saturday, January 15, at 2 p.m.

<u>Steven Reineke</u>, conductor <u>Megan Hilty</u>, vocals Seattle Symphony

Best known for her role in the hit TV series *Smash*, Bellevue-born Hilty rose to fame in the Broadway hit *Wicked*. Now Hilty, with conductor Steven Reineke, brings us the music made popular by Sinatra and others, including "The Best Is Yet to Come," "New York, New York," "Autumn Leaves," "Mack the Knife" and many more. Join us for a fabulous evening of song from our very own Megan Hilty and the Seattle Symphony.

SPECIAL PERFORMANCES SHOSTAKOVICH CONCERTO FESTIVAL I

Thursday, January 19, at 7:30 p.m.

Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor <u>Kevin Ahfat</u>, piano <u>Aleksey Semenenko</u>, violin <u>Edgar Moreau</u>, cello Seattle Symphony

SHOSTAKOVICHPiano Concerto No. 1 in C minorSHOSTAKOVICHViolin Concerto No. 2 in C-sharp minor

SHOSTAKOVICH Cello Concerto No. 1 in E-flat major

From the First Piano Concerto's bawdy humor to the Second Violin Concerto's noble austerity, these landmark scores peer into Shostakovich's veiled inner life. The highly personal and much loved First Cello Concerto obsesses over four notes that stand in for Shostakovich's own name.

SPECIAL PERFORMANCES / WOLFGANG SERIES SHOSTAKOVICH CONCERTO FESTIVAL II

Friday, January 20 at 8 p.m.

Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor <u>Kevin Ahfat</u>, piano <u>Aleksey Semenenko</u>, violin <u>Edgar Moreau</u>, cello Seattle Symphony

SHOSTAKOVICH	Cello Concerto No. 2 in G major
SHOSTAKOVICH	Piano Concerto No. 2 in F minor
SHOSTAKOVICH	Violin Concerto No. 1 in A minor

The First Violin Concerto and Second Cello Concerto are two of Shostakovich's most profound and innovative constructions, lifting the concerto form to new heights of expression. The playful Second Piano Concerto was a proud papa's gift to his collegiate son.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON MENDELSSOHN & SCHUBERT

Thursday, January 26, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, January 28, at 8 p.m.

<u>James Feddeck</u>, conductor <u>Alexei Lubimov</u>, piano Seattle Symphony

MENDELSSOHN	The Hebrides ("Fingal's Cave")
HAYDN	Piano Concerto in D major
RAVEL	Le tombeau de Couperin
SCHUBERT	Symphony No. 5 in B-flat major

How sublime it is to behold the presence of genius, still so fresh, in music crafted by the 21-year-old Mendelssohn and the 19-year-old Schubert! Ravel's bittersweet tribute, *Le tombeau de Couperin*, honors others who burned bright and died young.

UNTUXED SERIES SCHUBERT UNTUXED Friday, January 27, at 7 p.m.

James Feddeck, conductor Jonathan Green, host Seattle Symphony

MENDELSSOHN	The Hebrides ("Fingal's Cave")
SCHUBERT	Symphony No. 5 in B-flat major

Mendelssohn transports you to the craggy coastlines of Scotland's Hebrides Islands with music so evocative you can taste the salt in the air. The Fifth Symphony of Schubert, a songwriter extraordinaire, floats effortlessly on endless currents of melody.

[UNTITLED] SERIES [UNTITLED] 2

Friday, January 27, at 10 p.m.

Samuel & Althea Stroum Grand Lobby

<u>Alexei Lubimov</u>, piano Artur Girsky, violin Natasha Bazhanov, violin Mikhail Shmidt, violin

ALEXANDRE RABINOVITCH-BARAKOVSKY USTVOLSKAYA PAVEL KARMANOV *Récit de Voyage* Octet for 4 violins, 2 oboes, timpani and piano *The City I Love and Hate*

These three Russian composers chart opposing paths during and after the Cold War. A classic score by Rabinovitch-Barakovsky embraces mystical minimalism, while the Octet of Galina Ustvolskaya, "The Lady with the Hammer," is alternately fascinating and alarming.

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DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON EMANUEL AX BEETHOVEN EMPEROR

Thursday, February 2, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, February 4, at 8 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Emanuel Ax, piano Seattle Symphony

IVES New England Holidays: Washington's Birthday Decoration Day

The Fourth of July Thanksgiving and Forefathers' Day BEETHOVEN Piano Concerto No. 5 in E-flat major, "Emperor"

From Charles Ives and his celebration of Washington's Birthday and the Fourth of July to Beethoven and the epic "Emperor" Concerto, this is one explosive collision of two powerhouse composers. Superstar Emanuel Ax unfurls Beethoven's Fifth Piano Concerto in all its glory.

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DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON HILARY HAHN BRUCH VIOLIN CONCERTO NO. 1

Thursday, February 9, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, February 11, at 8 p.m. Sunday, February 12, at 2 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor <u>Hilary Hahn</u>, violin Seattle Symphony

DEBUSSYPrélude à L'après-midi d'un Faune ("Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun")BRUCHViolin Concerto No. 1 in G minorPROKOFIEVSymphony No. 5 in B-flat major

Relish the freedom and courage of Prokofiev's wartime Fifth Symphony, which dared to be honest and even humorous during a perilous time. Bruch's popular and technically difficult Violin Concerto No. 1 is in good hands with violinist Hilary Hahn.

Hilary Hahn's 2016-17 residency is generously supported by the Judith Fong Music Director's Fund.

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DISTINGUISHED ARTISTS SERIES LEONIDAS KAVAKOS & YUJA WANG IN RECITAL

Friday, February 10, at 8 p.m.

<u>Leonidas Kavakos</u>, violin <u>Yuja Wang</u>, piano

LEOS JANACEK	Violin Sonata
SCHUBERT	Fantasie in C major
DEBUSSY	Violin Sonata in G minor
BARTÓK	Violin Sonata No. 1 in C-sharp minor

Two extraordinary stars unite for a scintillating evening of duets, including Schubert's variations on a moving love song. Enjoy the sensitive interplay of violin and piano in alluring sonatas from Debussy and Bartók, one ephemeral and the other earthy.

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FLUKE/GABELEIN ORGAN RECITALS JOSEPH ADAM

Monday, February 13, at 7:30 p.m.

Joseph Adam, organ

Seattle's own Joseph Adam has won numerous performance honors and has been hailed for his virtuosity and sterling technique.

TINY TOTS SERIES MOTHER GOOSE GOES TO THE SYMPHONY

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DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON / WOLFGANG SERIES JOSHUA BELL TCHAIKOVSKY VIOLIN CONCERTO

Friday, February 17, at 8 p.m. Saturday, February 18, at 2 & 8 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Joshua Bell, violin Seattle Symphony

SMETANA	Dance of the Comedians from The Bartered Bride
TCHAIKOVSKY	Violin Concerto in D major
DVOŘÁK	Symphony No. 8 in G minor

Beloved violinist Joshua Bell shines on the heroic Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto. Dvořák's uplifting Eighth Symphony evokes the simple, peaceful atmosphere of his Bohemian homeland.

CHAMBER SERIES SCHUBERT OCTET

Tuesday, February 21, at 7:30 p.m.

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Mary Lynch, oboe Eric Jacobs, clarinet Paul Rafanelli, bassoon Mark Robbins, horn Timothy Garland, violin Mae Lin, violin Cordula Merks, violin Susan Gulkis Assadi, viola Arie Schachter, viola Eric Han, cello Travis Gore, contrabass

WILLIAM BOLCOMSerenata Notturna for Oboe and String QuartetSCHUBERTOctet in F major

Schubert's inviting Octet and Bolcom's shimmering *Serenata Notturna* paint two shades of night music, renewing the spirit of Mozart and his gregarious serenades. Stravinsky's haunting *Elegy* leads the viola into a different realm of darkness.

BAROQUE & WINE SERIES BACH & HANDEL

Friday, February 24, at 8 p.m. Saturday, February 25, at 8 p.m.

Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor <u>Reginald Mobley</u>, countertenor Seattle Symphony Chorale Seattle Symphony

RAMEAU	Suite from Naïs
HANDEL	Aria: "Fammi combattere mostri e tifei" from Orlando
J.S BACH	Aria: "Widerstehe doch der Sunde" from Cantata No. 54
J.S BACH	Agnus Dei from Mass in B minor
LULLY	Selections from Le bourgeois gentilhomme
HANDEL	Ode for the Birthday of Queen Anne

Revisit a time when high male voices were worshipped like rock stars and the chorus was the foundation of devotional life. Works from the church, the theater and the Royal court celebrate the incomparable gifts of Bach and Handel.

Pre-concert wine tastings begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Grand Lobby. Just \$10 for four pours.

SEATTLE POPS SERIES Title Sponsor: MCM BUGS BUNNY AT THE SYMPHONY II

Friday, March 3, at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 4, at 8 p.m. Sunday, March 5, at 2 p.m.

<u>George Daugherty</u>, conductor Seattle Symphony

This side-splitting tribute features Warner Bros.' greatest classic Looney Tunes — including *What's Opera, Doc?, Rabbit of Seville, Corny Concerto* and *Rhapsody Rabbit* — all projected on a huge screen with the Symphony playing the original scores — live! Created by George Daugherty and David Ka Lik Wong.

CLASSICAL KING FM FAMILY CONCERTS DR. SEUSS GREEN EGGS & HAM

Saturday, March 4, at 11 a.m.

Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor <u>Really Inventive Stuff</u> Seattle Symphony

JOHN ADAMSShort Ride in a Fast MachineLEOPOLD MOZARTCassatio Ex G ("Children's Symphony")GUSTAV HOLSTThe PlanetsROBERT KAPILOWDr. Seuss's Green Eggs and Ham

"Do you like Green Eggs and Ham?" Spend your Saturday with Sam-I-Am and a Seussical Diva in this orchestral celebration of Dr. Seuss' classic culinary curiosity. The Seattle Symphony, partnering with the vaudeville-inspired troupe Really Inventive Stuff, presents Robert Kapilow's delightful composition — a musical feast for the whole family.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON MORLOT CONDUCTS BEETHOVEN & KERNIS

Thursday, March 16, at 8 p.m. Friday, March 17, at 12 noon Saturday, March 18, at 8 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor

James Ehnes, violin Seattle Symphony

DEBUSSYPrintempsAARON JAY KERNISViolin Concerto (U.S. premiere)BEETHOVENSymphony No. 6 in F major, "Pastoral"

Get an early jump on spring with sweetly blossoming music from Debussy and the great "Pastoral" Symphony of Beethoven, an ode to nature. Composer Aaron Jay Kernis, known for his effervescent *Air* for violin, offers a new Violin Concerto, commissioned by the Seattle Symphony for James Ehnes.

Commission by Aaron Jay Kernis is generously supported by Patricia Tall-Takacs and Gary Takacs.

James Ehnes's performances are generously underwritten by Dana and Ned Laird.

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DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON BEETHOVEN SYMPHONY NO. 5

Thursday, March 23, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 25, at 8 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Bertrand Chamayou, piano Seattle Symphony

BEETHOVENPrometheus OvertureBARTÓKPiano Concerto No. 2 in G majorMARTINŮMemorial to LidiceBEETHOVENSymphony No. 5 in C minor

The culmination of a two-year exploration of Beethoven's symphonies and concertos, Ludovic Morlot puts his unique stamp on Beethoven's fateful Fifth Symphony. Bartók's Piano Concerto No. 2 is a brilliant work of rhythmic complexity and musical muscle.

Bertrand Chamayou's performances are generously underwritten by James and Sherry Raisbeck

UNTUXED SERIES BEETHOVEN UNTUXED

Friday, March 24, at 7 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Jonathan Green, host Seattle Symphony

BEETHOVEN *Prometheus* Overture BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 5 in C minor Whether it is your first time hearing it live or your 50th, there is no limit to the power of Beethoven's Fifth. This singular symphony distills human experience down to its universal truths: Fate. Humility. Struggle. Triumph.

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SPECIAL PERFORMANCES CELEBRATE ASIA

Sunday, March 26, at 4 p.m.

Shizuo Z. Kuwahara, conductor Ricardo Averbach, conductor Seattle Symphony Chorale Seattle Symphony

YUZO TOYAMA	Rhapsody for Orchestra
KOJUN SAITO	Tokyo Story
AKIRA IFUKUBE	Symphonic Fantasia No. 1
TORU TAKEMITSU	Nami no bon ("Lanterns on Blue Waters")
A.R. RAHMAN	New Work (World Premiere)
	Bombay Theme from Bombay
	Lothlorien from Lord of the Rings, The Musical
	Cry of the Rose from Roja
	Raga's Dance from "Choreography"
	Hassan Learns French Cooking from The Hundred-Foot Journey
	The Sea Miracle from Muhammad: The Messenger of God

The Seattle Symphony's ninth annual *Celebrate Asia* concert features movie music by famous Japanese, Chinese and Indian composers, including Grammy and Academy Award winners Tan Dun and A.R. Rahman. Highlighted by pre- and post-concert entertainment, this spectacular event is a rare opportunity to revel in the rich musical traditions of Seattle's vibrant Asian communities.

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SPECIAL PERFORMANCES KING'S COLLEGE CHOIR

Monday, March 27, at 7:30 p.m.

Stephen Cleobury, conductor King's College Choir

The King's College Choir is one of today's most accomplished and renowned representatives of the great British choral tradition. Directed by Stephen Cleobury, it derives much of its fame from the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols, broadcast worldwide to millions on Christmas Eve every year.

King's College Choir's performance is generously underwritten by Dr. Pierre and Mrs. Felice Loebel.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON DAUSGAARD CONDUCTS RACHMANINOV

Thursday, March 30, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 31, at 12 noon Saturday, April 1, at 8 p.m.

Thomas Dausgaard, conductor Alexander Melnikov, piano Cappella Romana, vocal ensemble Seattle Symphony

Russian Orthodox ChantsRACHMANINOVPiano Concerto No. 1 in F-sharp minorRACHMANINOVSymphony No. 2 in E minor

No one steals your heart like Rachmaninov! From the dazzling brilliance of the First Piano Concerto to the seductive beauty of the Second Symphony. A night devoted to the ultimate Russian Romantic.

Alexander Melnikov's performances are generously underwritten by Elwood and Ilene Hertzog.

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TINY TOTS SERIES A GARDEN FULL OF SONGS

Friday, April 7, at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 8, at 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.

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Hop with Bela Bunny, sing with Kitty Kitty and enjoy other garden friends in this enchanting story featuring folk music and the music of Béla Bartók. Accompanied by a string quartet.

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Whether seen on HBO's *Treme* or at their legendary Tuesday night gig at The Maple Leaf, Grammywinning Rebirth Brass Band is a true New Orleans institution. While committed to upholding the tradition of brass bands, they've also extended themselves into the realms of funk and hip-hop to create their signature sound. "Rebirth can be precise whenever it wants to," says *The New York Times*, "but it's more like a party than a machine..."

FLUKE/GABELEIN ORGAN RECITALS CHRISTIAN WILSON

Monday, April 10, at 7:30 p.m.

Christian Wilson, organ

An innovator amongst musicians, Christian Wilson has forged a unique path in the organ world, showcasing trailblazing virtuosity and profound musicianship through inspired and unorthodox programming.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON RACHMANINOV RHAPSODY ON A THEME OF PAGANINI

Thursday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 15, at 8 p.m.

<u>Olari Elts</u>, conductor <u>Stephen Hough</u>, piano Seattle Symphony

ERKKI-SVEN TÜÜRDe ProfundisRACHMANINOVRhapsody on a Theme of PaganiniRACHMANINOVSymphonic Dances

It's hard not to be a little awestruck by the breadth of Stephen Hough's passions, to say nothing of his talents. [He] is simply one of the most interesting musicians around." – Boston Globe. Stephen Hough joins the Seattle Symphony for Rachmaninov's fiendish old melody, *Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini*.

Stephen Hough's performances are generously underwritten by Paul Leach and Susan Winokur.

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UNTUXED SERIES RACHMANINOV UNTUXED

Friday, April 14, at 7 p.m.

<u>Olari Elts</u>, conductor <u>Stephen Hough</u>, piano Seattle Symphony

RACHMANINOV Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini RACHMANINOV Symphonic Dances

In *Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini*, Rachmaninov brews a fiendish old melody into one devil of a piano concerto. This shorter, no-intermission concert presents a low-stress way to begin your weekend.

Stephen Hough's performances are generously underwritten by Paul Leach & Susan Winokur.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON MORLOT CONDUCTS BRUCKNER

Thursday, April 20, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 22, at 8 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Seattle Symphony

BRUCKNER Symphony No. 5 in B-flat major

Majestic and shimmering like the hulking form of Mount Rainier, Bruckner's Fifth Symphony ascends to an otherworldly atmosphere of power and mystery. Bruckner's Fifth is a stunning celebration of faith, awe and wonder at all of creation.

DISTINGUISHED ARTISTS SERIES LEIF OVE ANDSNES & MARC-ANDRÉ HAMELIN IN RECITAL

Monday, April 24, 7:30 p.m.

Leif Ove Andsnes and Marc-André Hamelin, piano

MOZARTLarghetto and Allegro in E-flat majorSTRAVINSKYConcerto for Two PianosDEBUSSYEn blanc et noirSTRAVINSKYThe Rite of Spring for Two Pianos

These titans of the piano reawaken *The Rite of Spring*, its pounding rhythms and riotous harmonies all the more striking in Stravinsky's own four-hand scoring. Mozart, Debussy and Stravinsky's neoclassical Concerto for Two Pianos provide fascinating counterpoint.

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DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON / WOLFGANG SERIES TCHAIKOVSKY PIANO CONCERTO NO. 1

Thursday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 29, at 8 p.m.

Emmanuel Krivine, conductor George Li, piano Seattle Symphony

ZEMLINSKYThe MermaidTCHAIKOVSKYPiano Concerto No. 1 in B-flat minor

Tchaikovsky's iconic Piano Concerto is one of the best-known concertos of all time, filled with irresistible melodies and stunning virtuoso demands.

[UNTITLED] SERIES [UNTITLED] 3

Friday, April 28, at 10 p.m.

Samuel & Althea Stroum Grand Lobby

Pablo Rus Broseta, conductor Seth Krimsky, bassoon Cristina Valdés, piano Jeffrey Barker, flute Laura DeLuca, clarinet Ko-ichiro Yamamoto, trombone Matt Decker, percussion Seth Krimsky, electric guitar Mikhail Shmidt, violin David Sabee, cello Joseph Kaufman, double bass The Bearded Ladies

PAUL MORAVEC YANNIS KYRIAKIDES HEATH ALLEN AND DAN VISCONTI Andy Warhol Sez tinkling (killing time in an airport lounge and being arrested) Selections from ANDY: A Popera (staged performance)

Enter the twisted worlds of two of America's most confounding cultural icons. Contrasting views on Andy Warhol tap into the ironic wisdom of the pop artist, while *tinkling* channels the wild, whirling personality of Thelonius Monk and his groundbreaking jazz.

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BAROQUE & WINE SERIES / DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON

ITALIAN MASTERS

Friday, May 5, at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at 8 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at 2 p.m.

Alessandro De Marchi, conductor Artur Girsky, violin Mae Lin, violin Natasha Bazhanov, violin Mikhail Shmidt, violin Efe Baltacıgil, cello Seattle Symphony

VIVALDISinfonia in C major from L'OlimpiadeGALUPPIConcerto a quattro, No. 2 in G majorVIVALDIConcerto in B minor for Four Violins, Cello, and OrchestraGEMINIANIConcerto grosso No. 12 in D minor, "La Follia"ALBINONISinfonia in G majorARCANGELO CORELLIConcerto Grosso in D major

Viva l'Italia! If you enjoy the bright sparkle of Vivaldi, come marvel at other hidden gems from the sundrenched boot of southern Europe, a land of sensuous operas, fiery violinists and limitless jubilation in its crowd-pleasing music.

Pre-concert wine tastings begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Grand Lobby. Just \$10 for four pours. / Please Note that there is no wine tasting for the Sunday matinee performance.

CLASSICAL KING FM FAMILY CONCERTS MAGIC CIRCLE MIME THE LISTENER

Saturday, May 6, at 11 a.m.

Ruth Reinhardt, conductor Magic Circle Mime Co. Seattle Symphony

BRITTEN BERNSTEIN SHOSTAKOVICH BIZET TCHAIKOVSKY MOZART The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra Overture to Candide Polka from The Golden Age Les Toréadors from Carmen Dance of the Swans from Swan Lake Symphony No. 39 in E-flat major

In this dramatic storyline, the conductor has prepared a program of music from the various artistic disciplines but finds his efforts complicated by the unexpected participation of two audience members. Musical challenges between bugle and trumpet and tap dancing to ballet music are just part of the action as these two characters and the audience learn about the orchestra, its music and the art of listening.

SPECIAL EVENT TEN GRANDS GIVING THE GIFT OF MUSIC TO CHILDREN Saturday, May 13, at 7 p.m.

For the last nine years, Ten Grands Seattle has raised over \$1 million for music education. Be part of the thrill! Join us for an unforgettable evening with award-winning pianists as they play classical, boogie woogie, pop, jazz, blues and more. Ten grand pianos. Ten amazing pianists. One sensational stage. Concert proceeds benefit the Seattle Symphony's educational programs and other select organizations. Performance does not include the Seattle Symphony.

SEATTLE POPS SERIES Title Sponsor MCM BROADWAY ROCKS WITH THE SEATTLE MEN'S CHORUS

Friday, May 19, at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at 8 p.m. Sunday, May 21, at 2 p.m.

<u>Steven Reineke</u>, conductor <u>Capathia Jenkins</u>, vocals <u>Christiane Noll</u>, vocals <u>Rob Evan</u>, vocals <u>Seattle Men's Chorus</u> Seattle Symphony

For the first time ever the Seattle Symphony and the Men's Chorus team up to perform the great rock and contemporary Broadway hits. Conductor Steven Reineke along with a trio of Broadway singers will take you on a musical romp including hit songs from *The Lion King*, *Wicked*, *Hairspray*, *Mamma Mia*, *Phantom of the Opera* and many others.

FLUKE/GABELEIN ORGAN RECITALS DAVID BRIGGS

Monday, May 22, at 7:30 p.m.

David Briggs, organ

One of the foremost concert organists of his generation, David Briggs enjoys a busy touring schedule that takes him all over the world. He has built a reputation as an exciting performer with particular emphases on orchestral transcriptions and the art of improvisation.

During intermission, the audience will be invited to help Mr. Briggs create an all-new improvisational work by submitting ideas for themes to the suggestion box in the Samuel & Althea Stroum Grand Lobby.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON

RAVEL'S MAGICAL OPERA

Thursday, June 1, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at 8 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Jan Lisiecki, piano Karine Deshayes, mezzo-soprano Michèle Losier, mezzo-soprano Yvonne Naef, contralto Jean-Paul Fouchécourt, tenor Pierrick Boisseau, baritone Anne Patterson, stage design Jeff Lincoln, lighting design Seattle Symphony Chorale Seattle Symphony

BIZET	Jeux d'enfants ("Children's Games"): Petite Suite Op. 22
MOZART	Piano Concerto No. 9 in E-flat major, "Jeunehomme"
RAVEL	L'enfant et les sortilèges ("The Chilld and the Spells")

A rare performance of Ravel's one-act opera. With charming text by the famed French novelist Colette and Ravel's masterpiece score, *L'Enfant et les sortileges* ("The Child and the Spells") is a rich fantasy of fairy tale characters, plants and little animals brought to life. Ravel is the original sampler combining elements of ragtime, jazz, 18th-century dance and lushness. A musical high point of the season not to be missed.

Support for Ravel's *L'enfant et les sortilèges* is generously provided by the Judith Fong Music Director's Fund.

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TINY TOTS SERIES A PLAYDATE WITH BRAHMS

Friday, June 2, at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 3, at 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.

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Explore fast and slow music in three playdates: at a friend's house, at the park and at a concert. Play hide and seek, bounce the ball and other favorite games set to the music of Johannes Brahms. Accompanied by a woodwind quartet.

UNTUXED SERIES MOZART UNTUXED

Friday, June 2, at 7:00 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor Evan Anderson, violin Natasha Bazhanov, violin <u>Brittany Boulding Breeden</u>, violin Mae Lin, violin Artur Girsky, viola Julie Whitton, viola <u>Efe Baltacığil</u>, cello Eric Han, cello <u>Jan Lisiecki</u>, piano Jonathan Green, host Seattle Symphony

MENDELSSOHN Octet in E-flat major MOZART Piano Concerto No. 9 in E-flat major, "*Jeunehomme*"

He was the greatest musical prodigy ever, writing flat-out perfect compositions at an age when most of us were happy just to finish our homework. Such exuberance! Such sincerity! But was this young man Mozart or Mendelssohn? You decide. This shorter, no-intermission concert presents a low-stress way to begin your weekend.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON PEKKA KUUSISTO MENDELSSOHN VIOLIN CONCERTO

Thursday, June 8, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 9, at 12 noon Saturday, June 10, at 8 p.m.

<u>Thomas Dausgaard</u>, conductor <u>Pekka Kuusisto</u>, violin <u>Estelí Gomez</u>, soprano Taylor Ward, baritone Seattle Symphony

HELEN GRIME	New Work (U.S. Premiere)
MENDELSSOHN	Violin Concerto in E minor
NIELSEN	Symphony No. 3, "Sinfonia espansiva"

Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto is a marvel of German precision that is sure to raise your pulse. Principal Guest Conductor Dausgaard brings us Nielsen, the renowned symphonist from Denmark, who creates ever-expanding horizons and soaring voices in his Third Symphony.

Pekka Kuusisto's performances are generously underwritten by the Hot Chocolate Fund.

CHAMBER SERIES BACH & JANÁČEK Tuesday, June 13, at 7:30 p.m.

Illsley Ball Nordstrom Recital Hall

Elisa Barston, violin Emma McGrath, violin Cordula Merks, violin Mikhail Shmidt, violin Arthur Zadinsky, violin Mara Gearman, viola Efe Baltacıgil, cello Roberta Hansen Downey, cello Walter Gray, cello Jessica Choe, piano Oana Rusu Tomai, piano

SMETANA	Piano Trio
BACH	Sonata for Viola da Gamba No. 1 in G major
SZYMANOWSKI	Three Myths for piano and violin
JANÁČEK	String Quartet No. 2, "Intimate Letters"

Janáček's musical love letter to a young paramour sizzles with romantic fervor and soul-baring intimacy. Obsession of another sort surfaces in Szymanowski's impressionistic take on Greek myths, including selfabsorbed Narcissus. Smetana's hard-charging Piano Trio channels his fierce Czech patriotism.

DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON THE GENIUS OF STRAUSS

Thursday, June 15, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 17, at 8 p.m.

Thomas Dausgaard, conductor Erin Wall, soprano Seattle Symphony

R. STRAUSS Four Last Songs Morgen An Alpine Symphony

An Alpine Symphony, Richard Strauss' last and largest tone poem, uses every vibrant color in the orchestral palette to depict 24 glorious hours atop the Austrian Alps. His *Four Last Songs* approaches his own mortality with wisdom, beauty and grace.

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DELTA AIR LINES MASTERWORKS SEASON MAHLER SYMPHONY NO. 5

Thursday, June 22, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 23 at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at 8 p.m.

Ludovic Morlot, conductor <u>Audrey Luna</u>, soprano <u>Allyson McHardy</u>, mezzo-soprano Seattle Symphony Chorale Seattle Symphony

LIGETI Requiem MAHLER Symphony No. 5 in C-sharp minor

Mahler's colossal Fifth Symphony embraces an entire world of sound, from the heartrending funeral march to the serene and loving *Adagietto*. Ligeti's monolithic Requiem goes beyond this world, as proven by its iconic appearance in the film *2001: A Space Odyssey*.

Support for Ligeti's Requiem is generously provided by the Judith Fong Music Director's Fund.

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