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OPENING NIGHT MASTERWORKS!

Our 78th Season of Masterworks concerts opens at the Strand-Capitol on Saturday evening, October 9th at 8PM. Join Dr. Robert Hart Baker and the York Symphony as we welcome two of the most dynamic, "in demand" string players touring today. And, even more exciting is that our guests Natasha Korsakova (violin) and Allison Eldredge (cello) tour separately but have always wanted to perform together. York made it possible! Join our "Duo Divas" and experience what they have wanted to do - a joint performance of a great work. You will be captivated with Brahms' magnificent "Concerto for Violin, Cello and Orchestra."



It is not only pleasing to the eye and ear, but these two soloists will perform the piece with a beauty that will resonate. After that, Rimsky-Korsakov's showpiece "Sheherazade" will be performed by the YSO and its soaring violin solos will be played by our very own Concertmaster John Eaken. Did you know that Natasha Korsakova is a direct descendant of Rimsky-Korsakov? What a great evening.



Mark your calendars now for our second Masterworks concert on November 6th. Sir Angel Romero will be in York appearing in the dual roles of guest conductor and guitar soloist. Rodrigo, Bach, Mendelssohn and Beethoven - all in one concert - is sure to satisfy everyone in the house. Don't miss this opportunity to see one of the legendary Romeros right here in York! Check your season brochure or our website www.yorksymphony.org for the musical details for this program and all of our season offerings.



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ENCORE! SOCIETY MEMBERS

Recently, Chuck and Evie Long became members of the York Symphony Orchestra legacy society, *The Encore! Society*. The Longs had included the YSO previously but in a different fashion. Their concerns were for providing for their children and grandchildren. Their decision to leave a percentage of their estate to the symphony was a good way to insure that their wishes would be executed regardless of market conditions.

Chuck states their love for the York Symphony and delight in including it in their wills. Chuck's comments speak for themselves.



"Evie and I have been supporters of the YSO for a long time, she since we were married in 1961 and I since I began playing in the YSO trumpet section in 1959. We believe that the orchestra, and chorus as well, contribute in a very important way to the desirability of living in the York area,

and we want to see both groups continue for a long time. Since we obviously won't be around forever to make contributions to the YSO, when Henry Nixon suggested the option of providing for a gift to the orchestra in our wills we thought that was a great idea and agreed to do it. We soon amended our wills accordingly. We're pleased to be able in a small way to provide for the orchestra's continued existence and quality music making in the future."

The entire York Symphony Orchestra family is grateful to Chuck and Evie for their thoughtful testamentary gift. We appreciate their service to the orchestra over these many years and applaud their foresight. "Chuck and Evie's gift is a testament to their love of our orchestra and their desire to assure its strength into the future," said Henry Nixon, executive director. If you would like more information about the Encore! Society please contact Henry Nixon at 812-0717.

A YEAR OF MUSICALES 2010-2011

The musicale committee is busy planning all sorts of exciting events for the new season. These musicales are a favorite activity year-in, year-out and prove to be a very successful and enjoyable fundraising opportunity for the YSO. The Annual Musicales Booklet will be mailed out in September, but we want to give you some early notice about the events through January. The first of these events will be held on Saturday, October 30, 2010. John and Cappy Bush will host "An Evening of Musical Magic and Mystery." A multi-course dinner accompanied by champagne and wine will be offered. Guests will be entertained by Cathy and Dale Elkiss featuring keyboard and violin selections with a mysterious bend.

Other musicale dates for the first half of the season are:

November 19th - "Lullaby of Broadway"

Out Door Country Club

November 20th - Lucy and Bryan Stevens

December 5th - Valencia Musicale

December 12th - Yorktowne Musicale

December 19th - Evelyn and Dino Pritsios

January 8th- Box Hill Musicale

Save these dates and look for more details in your musicale invitation booklet or on the YSO web site around the middle of September.

YORK SYMPHONY AND HABITAT "RAISING THE ROOF"

The YSO and York's Habitat for Humanity have joined forces this season to raise awareness of both organizations among our constituencies. We are pleased to share information about Habitat in our publications. Habitat is currently working on gutting four homes in the city of York. Volunteers can help tear down, build, paint, etc., on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays 8:00am- 2:30pm. Volunteers must attend an orientation to be eligible to work. Dates for orientations are on Saturdays: 9/11, 10/2 and 11/6 from 9:00am - 10:30am at the Habitat office, 33 S. Seward St. York. Call the office to schedule your orientation or for more information, 717-854-6168. To visit the web site to see the happenings of York Habitat and to visit their Google calendar of events, go to: www.yorkhabitat.org

CHORUS NEWS

The York Symphony Chorus, under the direction of Dr. Robert Hart Baker, announces its 51st season of concerts, opening with the annual Holiday Concert, "A Magnificent Holiday" on Sunday, December 12, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of The First Presbyterian Church of York, 225 East Market St. The program includes "Stand Up, Be Joyful" from Bach's "Christmas Oratorio," "Magnificats" by Antonio Vivaldi and Giacomo Puccini, Sr., Schubert's "Stabat Mater in G," "O Holy Jesus" by David McCullough and many more selections. The program will conclude with "Christmas Sing-Along" arranged by John Finnegan. For repertoire details, go to www.yorksymphony.org. Tickets for the Christmas concert, priced at \$15 (\$10 for students), are available by sending an e-mail request to ysctickets@aol.com, by phone at (717) 779-6260, or from Chorus Members.

The Chorus joins Dr. Robert Hart Baker, the Harrisburg Choral Society, soloists and orchestra in presenting a "Messiah" Community Sing-Along concert. The program will be presented on Friday December 17th at 7:30 p.m. at the Strand-Capitol Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$18, available directly from the Strand Box Office in person or online at www.strandcapitol.org.

The annual Choral Concert with the Chorus and YSO takes place on Saturday, March 19, 2011 at 8PM.. This fourth Masterworks concert, "Czech It Out", includes a performance of "Mass in D major," Opus 86 by Antonin Dvorak. The concert features guest artists Laura Heydt-Adams, soprano, Gwendolyn Bowers, alto, Christopher Waite, tenor, and Michael Anderson, bass.

The Chorus and Chamber Singers' annual Spring Choral Concert is scheduled for Sunday, May 1st at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of Union Lutheran Church. Tickets for the May concert are available by sending an e-mail request to ysctickets@aol.com, by phone at (717) 779-6260, or from Chorus Members. Information for this and other York Symphony Chorus concerts is available under the Music and Musicians, Chorus/Chamber Singers section of the York Symphony Orchestra website at www.yorksymphony.org.

TO YOU FROM THE YSO!! EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN

TCHAIKOVSKY DISCOVERS AMERICA (Note: Date and Venue Change)

The Young Persons' Concert presented by YSO at the Strand-Capitol takes place at 10:00AM on both Tuesday, **November 2, 2010** and Wednesday, **November 3, 2010**. This concert features the nationally renowned Classical Kids presentation of Tchaikovsky Discovers America. Mark your calendars and plan to attend one of these fantastic performances. Reserve early as these concerts sell out. Tickets are \$6.00 per person. For additional information please call the YSO Office at 812-0717.

YSO SONG WRITING CONTEST - The 33rd Year! (Note: Deadline Date Change)

Students from grades 3-12 are invited to participate. Songs will be judged in three age-appropriate categories (elementary, middle and senior high). Winning songs will be orchestrated and played at the Young Person's Concert, *Tchaikovsky Discovers America*. Contest deadline is **September 30th**. Call the YSO Office (717)812-0717 for information.

ATTEND A DRESS REHEARSAL

You are invited to bring your children and/or students to a York Symphony Orchestra dress rehearsal again this season. Check the season dates at www.yorksymphony.org. Please call the York Symphony Office at (717) 812-0717 for reservations and **free** tickets at least one week prior to a rehearsal, no exceptions. **No one will be admitted without a ticket.** Subject to change without notice.

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