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THE LOS ANGELES VIRTUOSI ORCHESTRA



CONDUCTED BY CARLO PONTI

“HEARTSTRINGS”

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ABOUT

The Lycée Français de Los Angeles presents the Los Angeles Virtuosi Orchestra (LAV) conducted by Carlo Ponti, and featuring acclaimed violinist YuEun Kim for a concert sure to tug on your “Heartstrings”. With a rich variety of orchestral works for strings, including one of Eric Satie’s evergreens, *Gymnopedie no. 2*, W.A. Mozart’s genial *Divertimento in B-Flat Major*, and compelling musical gems by Carl Nielsen and Franz Schubert, this LAV concert proudly marks its 9th spectacular season at TRK.

LAV is a dynamic ensemble devoted to the advocacy and support of music education and all proceeds from each concert support this endeavor in Southern California. Founded in 2013 by Maestro Carlo Ponti, the orchestra is formed with the most talented musicians in the United States and is built on the core belief that an orchestra serves as a unique educational resource.



Maestro Ponti attests that LAV concerts serve as “powerful reminders that the study and performance of music are resources that can not only help young people find their calling in life, but also teach them skills and promote qualities that can permanently shape their future, no matter what path they choose.”

The concert on October 20th features the award-winning South Korean violinist YuEun Kim, a prime example of how a virtuosi soloist can benefit from access to a professional orchestra to bring a career in music into focus. Ms. Kim moved to the United States in 2013 to attend the University of Southern California where she studied with Midori Goto; she concertizes internationally as soloist and chamber musician in a wide variety of repertoire on modern and Baroque instruments.

Carlo Ponti is the conductor and founder of the Los Angeles Virtuosi Orchestra, prior to which he was the music director and principal conductor of the San Bernardino Symphony, and Associate Conductor of the Russian National Orchestra.



TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

"HEARTSTRINGS"

E. Satie – Gymnopedie no. 2

W.A. Mozart – Divertimento in B-flat, K.137

F. Schubert – Rondo in A for Violin and String
Orchestra, D. 438

Yu Eun Kim, violin soloist:

C. Nielsen – Suite for String Orchestra, op.1

BIOGRAPHY



CARLO PONTI

Maestro Carlo Ponti is the founder of LAV, prior to which he was the music director and principal conductor of the San Bernardino Symphony, and Associate Conductor of the Russian National Orchestra. He has also worked at the Conductor's Institute in Connecticut under Harold Farberman, with Andrey Boreyko, Mehli Mehta and Zubin Mehta in Los Angeles, and furthered his musical studies in Austria at the Vienna Music Academy under Leopold Hager and Erwin Acel.

Maestro Ponti was awarded Italy's Premio Galileo award in 2006 for exceptional musical achievement. In the United States, he was the recipient of the 2008 Artistic Achievement Award from the Virginia Waring International Piano Competition and the 2009 Spirit of Hope Award from the Childhelp Foundation for his contributions to the development and advancement of young musical talent through music education. In Italy, he was co-recipient in 2011 of the Lupa di Roma prize in Rome, received the Premio Civitas 2014 award in Naples, was amongst the list of awardees of Italy's Assoutenti 40th Anniversary Awards in 2022 for his dedication to the development of orchestral music as a cross-cultural tool for the promotion of peace, unity and communication between nations, and in 2023 received the Ordine della Stella D'Italia distinction conferred by the President of the Italian Republic on the proposal of the Minister of Foreign Affairs for contributing to the worldwide development of classical music education and performance.

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YUEUN KIM

Yu Eun has been performing in the U.S., Asia, and Europe with ensembles including Delirium Musicum, American Bach Soloists, Boulder Bach Festival, Voices of Music, Noree Chamber Soloists and Kumho Chamber Music Society, amongst others. Yu Eun is also a founding member of Yu and I, a duo with guitarist Ines Thomé which won the Beverly Hills National Auditions and recently recorded its' debut album, *A Journey with Yu and I* featuring folk-inspired music from around the world.

She was a top prizewinner at the Boulder International Chamber Music Competition Art of Duo, a semi-finalist at the Qingdao International Violin Competition in China and at the Michael Hill International Violin Competition in New Zealand, and recently received the Jeffrey Thomas Award from the American Bach Soloists.

THE ORCHESTRA

Violin I

Samuel Fischer, concertmaster
Kathleen Sloan, associate concertmaster
Lisa Dondlinger, assistant concertmaster

Shelly Ren

Dimitry Olevsky

Ksenia Rozhdestvenskaya

Violin 2

Yihuan Zhao, principal

Ina Veli, asst. principal

Erlinda Romero

Amy Tang

HuiPing Lee

Michelina Wright

Viola

Matt Nabours, principal

Laura Jesson

Alison Perrine

Tess Scott-Suhrstedt

Cello

David Mergen, principal

Pierre Derycz

Garik Terzian

Pola Benke

Bass

Thomas Harte, principal

Nick Leonard

Soloist

YuEun Kim

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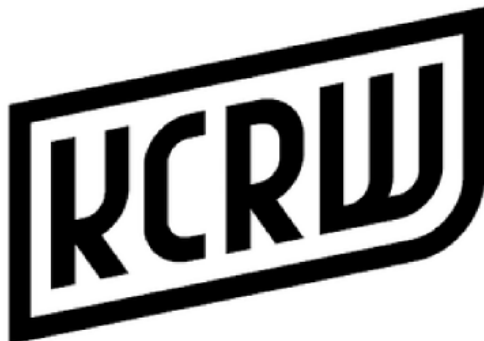


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