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THE LOS ANGELES VIRTUOSI ORCHESTRA

“Orchestral Treasures”



CONDUCTED BY CARLO PONTI

MAY 20 AT 8PM

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Emerging young soloists gracing J.S. Bach's Fifth Brandenburg Concerto, a musical favorite by Ottorino Respighi, and the West Coast premiere of French composer Charles Koechlin's tone poem *Sur les flots lointains*, crown one of LAV's most exciting seasons ever!

******There will be an intermission******

CHARLES KOEHLIN – SUR LES FLOTS LOINTAINS, OP.130

(version for string orchestra)

J.S. BACH – BRANDENBURG CONCERTO NO.5 IN D MAJOR, BWV 1050

Nikka Gershman-Pepper, flute

Michael Liu, harpsichord

Chloe Yoon, violin

I. Allegro

II. Affettuoso

III. Allegro

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I. Italiana. Andantino

II. Arie di corte. Andante cantabile – Allegretto – Vivace – Lento con grande espressione – Allegro vivace – Vivacissimo – Andante cantabile

III. Siciliana. Andantino

IV. Passacaglia. Maestoso – Vivace



CARLO PONTI, CONDUCTOR

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 2011 he was co-recipient of the Lupa di Roma prize in Rome, and received the Premio Civitas 2014 award in Naples, Italy.



THE LOS ANGELES VIRTUOSI ORCHESTRA

The Los Angeles Virtuosi Orchestra (LAV) is an orchestra of professional musicians dedicated to the advocacy and support of music education, envisioning a world in which every young person has access to music education. Founded in 2013 as a 501 non-profit organization by Maestro Carlo Ponti, the ensemble was formed on the core belief that an orchestra is a unique educational resource.

LAV's mission is to serve as a catalyst in supporting music education through collaborative partnerships with the community, schools, agencies, and other arts organizations, and by allocating 100% of net income from performances to support and develop the study of music.





NIKKA GERSHMAN-PEPPER

Described as “without question one of the finest and most dedicated young flute soloists” by Mike Green, the President of the Grammy Foundation, Nikka Gershman-Pepper is a 14-year-old flutist and composer. She is honored to be the youngest ever Haynes Young Artist. Nikka is currently attending the Pre-Conservatory Program at the Colburn Music Academy under the mentorship of the legendary Jim Walker.



MICHEAL LIU

Michael Liu began playing piano at the age of four and has since been fostering an everlasting passion for music and a belief in it as a unique form of communication. Michael Liu has received numerous accolades, including the First Prize in the 2021 Honors Competition State Finals for the California Association of Professional Music Teachers (CAPMT).



CHLOE YOON

Angeles, California, attending Walter Reed Middle School, and currently studying under Mr. Chan Ho Yun at the Colburn School of Music. She started playing the violin at age seven and won First Prize in several competitions, including the Elite International Competition, which led to a performance at Weill Hall, and has recently joined the ranks of the Colburn Chamber Orchestra as a first violinist.

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