

Bainbridge Performing Arts 2010-2011 Season

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**Bainbridge Symphony Orchestra presents “Northern Lights meet Southern Spirit”
Featuring Guest Conductor Wesley Schulz and Guest Pianist Dan Sabo
Saturday, November 13 @ 7:30 p.m. & Sunday, November 14 @ 3:00 p.m.
At Bainbridge Performing Arts (BPA)**

The Bainbridge Symphony Orchestra celebrates the hemispheres in its’ 2010-2011 Season opener, **Northern Lights meet Southern Spirit**. The program highlights music from “Northern” composers Jean Sibelius and Edvard Grieg and showcases the “Southern” spirit of Arturo Márquez and Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov. Music Director candidate **Wesley Schulz** conducts, and guest pianist **Dan Sabo** joins the symphony for Grieg’s *Piano Concerto in A minor*.

Several works on the program are likely familiar to classical music fans such as Sibelius’ rousing *Finlandia* and Korsakov’s brilliant *Capriccio espagnol*. The work by Márquez, however, is likely to be new. Regardless of one’s familiarity, audience members are in for a treat!

In honor of the bicentennial of Mexico’s independence and centennial of the Revolution the symphony will perform Arturo Márquez’s Danzón No. 2. This ten minute romp, Márquez’s homage to the dance style of the same name, is filled with foot-tapping rhythms, sultry melodies, and unbridled energy as the piece races toward a “dance ‘til you drop” end.

Joining the symphony for Grieg’s *Piano Concerto in A minor* is Guest Pianist **Dan Sabo**. The Bellingham pianist and former student of the legendary pianist Yvonne Loriod-Messiaen has had a long career as a soloist and duo-pianist, and he performed the Grieg concerto last season with the Whatcom Symphony. The beauty and ease in which this work unfolds provides a nice contrast to the energy of the other works on the program.

Guest Conductor **Wesley Schulz** has been lauded by musicians for his “intensity and emotion” in performances and for his “approachable and inspiring” leadership. Excited and honored to partner with the Bainbridge Symphony Orchestra in their 2010-2011 opening concert, Schulz says, “This orchestra is a vibrant part of the Island’s cultural fabric, and the members offer great contributions to the community with their music making.”

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Bainbridge Symphony Orchestra presents **Northern Lights meet Southern Spirit** on Saturday, November 13 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, November 14 at 3:00 p.m. The concerts will be held at Bainbridge Performing Arts, 200 Madison Avenue North, Bainbridge Island. A pre-concert chat precedes each performance, on Saturday at 6:45 p.m. and Sunday at 2:15 p.m. Tickets, \$19 for adults, and \$16 for seniors, students, youth, military, and teachers, may be purchased online at www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org, by phone at 206.842.8569 or in person at BPA. BPA Box Office hours are 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, and one hour prior to each performance. Suitable for music-lovers of all ages, the symphony's 2010-2011 opening concerts are not to be missed!

Join Artistic Advisor **David Waltman** and the Bainbridge Symphony Orchestra for a musically invigorating season as three finalists vie for selection as the symphony's new Music Director. Be a part of the selection process by letting the symphony know what you think about each conductor. The February concerts will be led by Guest Conductor **Julia Tai** and will feature Guest Violinist **Sophia Stoyanovich**. An Island resident, Stoyanovich, has been hailed by the Seattle Times critic Bernard Jacobson as "...a spectacular young violinist."

Music acquisition for the BSO's 2010-2011 Season was generously funded by the **Fletcher Bay Foundation**. BPA is supported, in part, by the **Bainbridge Island Arts & Humanities Council**, the **City of Bainbridge Island**, and **One Call for All**.

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