

Silicon Valley Symphony

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Silicon Valley Symphony “Soli & Sorcery” Concert

WHO: Silicon Valley Symphony
WHAT: “Soli & Sorcery” Concert
WHEN: 7:30 PM, Saturday, March 8, 2008
WHERE: Presbyterian Church of Los Gatos, 16575 Shannon Rd. Los Gatos, CA 95032
TICKETS: \$20 general, \$15 Senior/Student; Children age 12 and younger FREE with adult available at the door or orchestra members; FREE Champagne Reception
WEBSITE: Concert page: www.bamusic.org/svs/html/concerts.html
PARKING: FREE; FREE Champagne Reception

The Silicon Valley Symphony is proud to present its “Soli & Sorcery” Concert in the beautiful Sanctuary of the Presbyterian Church of Los Gatos, on Saturday, March 8, 2008, at 7:30 PM. Ticket donation is \$20 general and \$15 seniors and students; children age 12 and younger are FREE with an adult. The Silicon Valley Symphony features two fantastic soloists: including the video of 7-year-old Christine Chon’s world solo debut from 1998 and her passionate performance (now at age 17) of the difficult and sublime Sibelius Violin Concerto; Christopher Bengochea, star of Opera San José’s production of “Rigoletto” currently showing at the California Theater, performs four of the most famous and loved opera arias and songs, including an audience sing-along; all mixed with music of mystery, imagery, and sorcery! This “child-friendly” performance is a concert goers’ concert! Get there early for good seats.

Michael Paul Gibson leads the Silicon Valley Symphony in “Soli & Sorcery” – Sibelius, Dukas, Mussorgsky / Rimsky - Korsakov, Verdi, Rossini, Denza, and di Capua – WOW! What a fantastic collection of fabulous music, singing, video, audience participation, and fun! The first half features music of Jean Sibelius, beginning with the thrilling “Finlandia.” Ten years after introducing Christine Chon as a child-prodigy violinist, Maestro Gibson is proud to feature her once again in the tremendously challenging and intriguing “Violin Concerto” by Sibelius – what a difference 10 years makes! Christopher Bengochea captures your heart with charm and thrills with his magnificent tenor voice! – singing “La donna è mobile” from “Rigoletto” (now performing at Opera San José); “La danza” by Rossini; “O sole mio” by Eduardo di Capua; and “Funiculì, funiculà” by Luigi Denza along with the SVS Chorus (members of the PCLG Chancel Choir and Menlo Park Chorus) ...and the audience gets to sing along with Christopher, chorus, and SVS in this popular Italian song – what fun! The mysterious and ethereal “Night on Bald Mountain” and “The Sorcerer’s Apprentice,” both made even more famous by the Walt Disney movie, “Fantasia” inspire the imagination with splashes of color and excitement!

Don’t miss this marvelous musical opportunity! Join the musicians after the concert in the Social Hall for a FREE Champagne Reception with sumptuous snacks and music furnished by San Francisco Jazz artist, Don Pender.

Check out our concert web page and past audio recordings at: <http://www.bamusic.org/svs/html/concerts.html>

We hope to see you, your children, family and friends in the audience. One performance only and seating is limited to 400. You can purchase tickets online, from orchestra members, or at the door 30 minutes prior to the performance.

The SVS is sponsored by the Bay Area Music Foundation and sponsored in part by the Presbyterian Church of Los Gatos (PCLG), and Foothill College Performing Arts Alliance.

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