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SANTA ROSA SYMPHONY FAMILY SERIES HAS RETURNED

WITH "Symphony Spooktacular!"
Sunday, October 23, 2022, at the Green Music Center

(Santa Rosa, Calif.) —Santa Rosa Symphony (SRS) begins the 2022-2023 Family Series season with "Symphony Spooktacular!" at 3:00 PM on Sunday, October 23, 2022, at Weill Hall, Green Music Center. The first in this three-concert Family Series. Enjoy the familiar music from Harry Potter & the Sorcerer's Stone, Pirates of the Caribbean, and more, that conjure up images of fantastical creatures and magic, alongside ominous masterworks. Conducted by Bobby Rogers. Come early and enjoy the complimentary Instrument Petting Zoo at 2:00 pm. Children can play with a plethora of instruments including violins, cellos and trombones. Costumes are encouraged for this performance.

Bobby Rogers, the SRS Youth Orchestra conductor, conducts this performance, plus the second Family Series concert on January 15, 2023, "*Beethoven Lives Upstairs*." Rogers is a graduate of Sonoma State University (B.A. in Music Education and Jazz Performance), Sacramento State University (M.A. in Wind Conducting), and Boston University (M.M.Ed. in Music Education). He was the Region Three finalist for California Teacher of the Year in 2009, Claus Noble Educator of Distinction in 2010 and Program of Excellence for the top program in Yolo County in 2015.

Rogers studied conducting with Craig Kirchhoff of the University of Minnesota, John Whitwell of Michigan State University, H. Robert Reynolds of the University of Michigan and USC Thornton School of Music, Mallory Thompson of Northwestern University, Jack Stamp of Indiana State, and Dr. Robert Halseth of Sacramento State University.

SPONSORS:

The 2022-2023 Santa Rosa Symphony Family Series is sponsored by **The Alan and Susan Seidenfeld Charitable Trust**, and **Victor and Karen Trione**.

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AT A GLANCE / CALENDAR LISTING:

WHAT: Santa Rosa Symphony Family Series

WHO: <u>Santa Rosa Symphony</u> <u>Bobby Rogers</u>, conductor

WHEN:

Sunday, October 23, 2022 at 3:00 pm (Complimentary Instrument Petting Zoo at 2:00 pm)

WHERE: Weill Hall, Green Music Center, Sonoma State University

TICKET PRICES:

\$20 adult, \$10 child (12 and under)

3-concert subscription package: \$54/adult; \$27/child (age 12 and under).

Family packs start at \$144 (minimum of 4 subscriptions, 2 of which are for children)

TICKETS: srsymphony.org or (707) 546-8742 (Weekdays 9:00 am – 5:00 pm, opening at 10:30 am Wednesdays)

ABOUT SANTA ROSA SYMPHONY

Santa Rosa Symphony, the Resident Orchestra of the Green Music Center, is the third-oldest professional orchestra in California, and the largest regional symphony north of Los Angeles. Francesco Lecce-Chong, the Symphony's fifth music director in its 94 years, began his tenure in 2018. Alan Silow, President & CEO, began his tenure in 2002. The Symphony is committed to core values of artistic excellence, innovative programming, comprehensive music education and community service.

The Symphony's performance schedule includes 21 Classical Series concerts (seven sets), seven Discovery Dress Rehearsal concerts, a three-concert Family Series and a four-concert Pops Series, as well as special concerts.

Awards include an American Symphony Orchestra League MetLife Award for Community Engagement and a first-place award for adventurous programming in the 2012-2013 season from the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP).

The Symphony is recognized as having one of the most comprehensive music education programs in California, serving nearly 30,000 youths annually. Collaborations with schools and organizations across Sonoma County have gained the Santa Rosa Symphony national attention and support.