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November 16, 2014 November 23, 2014 Flint Center San Mateo Performing Arts Center 2:30 pm

63rd SEASON • FIRST CONCERT • Leo Eylar, Conductor

(1898 - 1937)Schelomo Ernest Bloch

Catherine Kim, Cello

Cinderella, Suite No. 1 Sergei Prokofiev (1891 - 1953)

I. Introduction

II. Pas de châle

III. Quarrel

IV. The Fairy Godmother and Winter Fairy

V. Mazurka

VI. Cinderella Goes to the Ball

VII. Cinderella's Waltz

VIII. Midnight

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2:30 pm

(1880 - 1959)



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Helen Wu. Co-Concertmaster Andrew Chang, Co-Concertmaster Benjamin Jackson, Asst. Concertmaster Tara Iyer

Samuel Chien Morgan Wu Shannon Chiu **Justin** Lee Elvin Hsieh Emeri Zhang Justin Cheon Helen Thio Camille Chen Xinge Ren Erin Kim Alvssa Ilano Alicia Lee Joseph Chang

VIOLIN TWO

Eugene Gil

Catherine (Heeyeon) Kim, Co-Principal Hanlin Wang, Co-Principal Cuebeom Choi Asst. Principal Tiffany Chen

Jane Ahn Mark Siano Ryan Roggenkemper Caleb Tan Joseph Hsiung Kaitlyn Shih Michelle Zhang Constance Horng Melissa Wang Alyssa Yang Meredith Young-Ng Nisha Ahluwalia

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Minji Koo, Co-Principal James Lin, Co-Principal David Kim Esther Chae Elizabeth Li Emily Gosti Eileen Thio Benjamin Shih Bryan Chiang Pio Lee Emily Wong April Huang Miranda Zhou

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Hannah Choi. Co-Principal Kayla Kim, Co-principal Davis You, Asst. Principal Charlie Huang Garrett Woodford-Berry Irene Su Caitlin Lee Benjamin Wang Andrea Hwang lioo Lee Lillian Thio Yvonne Chen Iulia Hu Victor Weber

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Janice Gho, Co-Principal Cameron Kao, Co-Principal Kelly Wang Kevin Tang

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BASS CLARINET

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TUBA

Jonathan Lin, Principal Savana Wang

PERCUSSION

Kyle Jung Chester Leung Antoni Ostrowski Lauren Sheu Christina Tian

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Emeri Zhang

HARP

Lydia Yi Constance Koo

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am happy to report that the California Youth Symphony is now embarking on an exciting and rewarding new season – our 63rd! In addition we are celebrating an important milestone – this is Maestro Leo Eylar's 25th anniversary at the CYS helm. Under Leo's outstanding leadership CYS has developed a music education and performance program that ranks among the best in the nation – one that provides local young musicians, from beginning through advanced, opportunities on all symphonic instruments. And it is our great good fortune that Leo is assisted by an exceptional musical and administrative staff, including String Ensembles Director Kati Kyme, Wind Ensembles Director Rosita Amador and Percussion Director Artie Storch.

The orchestra that you see on the stage today, the California Youth Symphony Senior Orchestra, is the most advanced of our eight ensembles. One prominent journalist wrote that it is "one of the best of the world's youth symphonies". I'm confident that following today's concert you will agree.

I am sure that most of you know that CYS remains primarily a volunteer based organization. Without community support – parents, alumni, friends, businesses and foundations – CYS would not be able to provide the world class program and outstanding community concerts that are our hallmark. Our volunteers are always working behind the scenes to organize concerts, to organize rehearsals, to raise funds, and to do the other myriad tasks that need to happen to keep CYS running smoothly. My thanks to all of the volunteers.

Contributions make up a third of our budget. If you enjoy the music today, and wish to support the efforts of these amazing young people, please consider making a tax deductible contribution. You may send your contribution to: CYS, 441 California Ave, #5, Palo Alto, CA 94306 or donate via our newly designed website – www.cys.org

Now, please sit back and enjoy the concert!

Dave Morley

President, CYS Board of Directors

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LEO EYLAR

Conductor-Composer Leo
Eylar, born in Los Angeles in1958,
grew up in a musical family. He
began studying violin at the age of
nine and was accepted into the
private studios of both Jascha
Heifitz and Ruggiero Ricci. His
early teachers included Virginia
Baker, Joachim Chassman and
Eudice Shapiro. Eylar attended
Northwestern University and the
University of Southern California,
where he received his Bachelor of
Music degree Summa cum Laude.
His violin teachers included Glenn



Dicterow, currently Concertmaster of the New York Philharmonic, and Samuel Magad, Concertmaster of the Chicago Symphony. In 1980 Eylar joined the Seattle Symphony and in 1982 he was awarded an International Rotary Foundation Grant to study conducting at the Hochschule für Musik in Vienna, Austria. After studies there with Otmar Suitner, he returned to the U.S. and completed his Master's Degree in conducting at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music, simultaneously holding the position of Co-Concertmaster of the San Jose Symphony from 1984-89.

Eylar was on the faculty of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music from 1985-88, during which time he conducted a nationally televised performance of "America Sings" with Bobby McFerrin and the San Francisco Conservatory of Music Orchestra. He is currently a professor and conductor at California State University Sacramento, a position he has held since 1988. Since 1990 he has been Conductor and Music Director of the California Youth Symphony. Under his masterful and spirited direction the orchestra soon enhanced its reputation as one of the finest youth orchestras in the world and won first prize in the International Youth and Music Festival in Vienna, Austria, in July 1994. Over the course of his tenure, the orchestra has performed to great critical acclaim across four continents. He has also guest-conducted extensively throughout Europe and Asia, including prestigious music festivals in Japan, Austria, France, and Australia. Eylar has also been a frequent guest conductor of the San Jose Symphony. With a repertoire of over 300 symphonic works conducted, as well as numerous operas, Eylar brings a vast range of expertise and depth to his conducting.