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***VSO HOSTS LUNCHEON, DVD/CD SIGNING WITH GRAMMY &
EMMY WINNING MUSIC DIRECTOR GERARD SCHWARZ FEB 13***

***LEGENDARY CONDUCTOR LAUREATE OF THE SEATTLE SYMPHONY
HEADLINES VANCOUVER SYMPHONY LUNCHEON***

<https://youtu.be/tEnL1nj0D1k>

(Vancouver, WA) The Vancouver Symphony Orchestra announces luncheon featuring special guest, Maestro Gerard Schwarz – Grammy and Emmy winning Music Director of The All-Star Orchestra and Eastern Music Festival, Conductor Laureate of the famed Seattle Symphony.

Maestro Schwarz will share his experience and offer insights into the creation and success of the award winning television series *All Star Orchestra*, building of the acoustically superb Benaroya Hall – home of the Seattle Symphony – the importance of a vibrant arts community, music education and much more. Be a part of this unique opportunity to interact with the legendary musician, conductor, educator, and outstanding communicator.

About [Gerard Schwarz](#)

Internationally recognized for his moving performances and innovative programming, American conductor Gerard Schwarz serves as Music Director of [The All-Star Orchestra](#), an ensemble of top musicians from America's leading orchestras airing on television throughout the United States. He is currently Chairman of the Board of *Young Musicians Excelling*, an organization in Washington State, which supports music education in the Pacific Northwest.

- **14 Grammy nominations**
- **4 Emmy Awards**
- **6 ASCAP Awards**
- **Music Director, All-Star Orchestra**
- **More than 300 world premieres**
- **350 recordings on over 10 labels**
- **41 weeks on Billboard's best-selling list, including 6 weeks at #3**

Calendar Editors, please note:

Gerard Schwarz Luncheon and DVD/CD Signing

Maestro Gerard Schwarz, Conductor Laureate, Seattle Symphony

Monday, February 13th at 11:30am

Warehouse 23 Restaurant, 100 Columbia St. #102, Vancouver WA

Tickets: \$50 at vancouverSymphony.org or (360) 735-7278.

Lunch is included at this event.

Proceeds benefit the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra

About The VSO

World-renowned Maestro Salvador Brotons is in his 26th season leading the professional orchestra of over 70 core members. For 38 seasons The VSO has been a cornerstone of Southwest Washington's arts community, providing world-renowned classical music, promoting young musicians, and opening doors to classical music for young audiences through events such as the annual In-School concerts, Young Artists Competition and various family-styled special events and performances. Many of our musicians are teachers in our school districts and beyond. The VSO provides our region with a multi-concert classical season every year and performs at Skyview Concert Hall, 1300 NW 139th Street, Vancouver. Season support for The VSO is provided by All Classical Portland, The Firstenburg Foundation, The Community Foundation of SW Washington and The Columbian. Additional support for the orchestra is provided by Oregon Public Broadcasting. Tickets for the VSO Chamber Series and all VSO symphony concerts are on sale now at (360) 735-7278 or www.vancouverSymphony.org.

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