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VSO WELCOMES GRAMMY NOMINATED CLARINET VIRTUOSO DAVID SHIFRIN TO SKYVIEW FEB 25 & 26

MAESTRO BROTONS WILL LEAD THE ORCHESTRA IN MOZART'S SYMPHONY No.40

Concert Trailer https://youtu.be/3uGMPGY0Nv0

David Shifrin at Lincoln Center https://youtu.be/sdnn0ullie8

(Vancouver, WA) Music Director Salvador Brotons returns to Skyview Concert Hall to lead the VSO in two memorable concerts with special Guest Artist - clarinet virtuoso David Shifrin, Artistic Director of Chamber Music Northwest in Portland. Mr. Shirfrin will dazzle the audience with two virtuosic masterworks for clarinet – C. M. von Weber's romantic Concertino for Clarinet and Orchestra and Rossini's Introduction, Theme and Variations, which provides a sparkling set of virtuosic variations for the clarinet.

Maestro Brotons begins this Classical/Romantic Period-inspired program with Gluck's solemn overture *Iphigenia in Aulids* and closes out the concert with Mozart's stunningly beautiful *Symphony No. 40*.

About David Shifrin

David Shifrin has served as the Artistic Director of <u>Chamber Music Northwest</u> in Portland, Oregon since 1981. Shifrin is also a member of the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, and served as its artistic director from 1992 to 2004, touring extensively throughout the US and appearing in several national television broadcasts on *Live From Lincoln Center*. He has received three Grammy nominations, and is one of only two wind players to have ever been awarded the Avery Fisher Prize. Mr. Shifrin has appeared with orchestras throughout the world, and served as principal clarinetist with the Cleveland Orchestra, American Symphony Orchestra, the Honolulu and Dallas symphonies, the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra and New York Chamber Symphony. He collaborates frequently with such distinguished ensembles and artists as the Guarneri, Tokyo, and Emerson String Quartets, Wynton Marsalis, and pianists Emanuel Ax and André Watts.

Calendar Editors, please note:

VSO Welcomes David Shifrin to Skyview, Salvador Brotons, conductor Saturday, February 25th at 3pm and Sunday, February 26th at 7pm Skyview Concert Hall, 1300 NW 139th St, Vancouver, WA

- Iphigenia in Aulis Gluck
- Concertino for Clarinet and Orchestra Weber
- Introduction, Theme and Variations (David Shifrin, clarinet) Rossini
- Symphony No. 40 Mozart

Tickets: \$50-Reserved, \$37-General Admission, \$32-Senior, \$10-Student w/ID Tickets are available for this concert and all 2016-2017 events at vancouversymphony.org or (360) 735-7278.

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 multiconcert 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 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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