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MARCH 16 VSO FAMILY CHAMBER CONCERT
FEATURES PETER AND THE WOLF AND PIED PIPER

“Easter Parade” includes original composition and VSO woodwind quintet

(Vancouver, WA) The 2013-2014 **Vancouver Symphony Orchestra Chamber Music Series** continues to shine at the Kiggins Theatre with its “family focused” fourth concert, “Easter Parade” on Sunday, March 16 at 2 pm.

At the concert, artists will include All Classical Portland’s Edmund Stone narrating *Peter and the Wolf* by Prokofiev and *The Pied Piper of Hamelin* by Mike Curtis with a woodwind quintet comprised of VSO musicians. The program also features VSO violinist Don Power and cellist Annie Harkey-Power playing two pieces--Handel’s *Passacaglia* and Don’s original composition, *Fat Shark Tooth*.

The VSO wind quintet will include Rachel Rencher, flute; Dr. Igor Shakhman, clarinet; Fred Korman, oboe; Margaret McShea, bassoon and Allen Stromquist, horn.

The March concert provides the perfect opportunity for concert attendees to watch a fabulous staging in comfortable surroundings, while enjoying wine, soft drinks and refreshments at the newly-renovated Kiggins. Immediately following the concert, a food and drink reception will be held next door to the theatre at Niche—a wine and art bar, which is open to all concert attendees.

The Kiggins Theatre, located at 1101 Main Street in downtown Vancouver, houses the third season of The VSO’s Chamber Music Series. The collaboration with the Kiggins is part of the City’s substantial effort to revitalize downtown Vancouver.

Upcoming VSO Chamber Series Concerts

Sunday, April 27, 2014 at 2 pm *Signs of Spring*

Sunday, May 18, 2014 at 2 pm *Sunbreaks*

About the Kiggins Theater

Primarily known as a movie theatre, the Kiggins was designed in the Art Deco style by architect Day Walter Hilborn and named for former Vancouver mayor and businessman John P. Kiggins. Opened in 1936, the theatre was renovated and reopened in September 2011. It was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2012. The theatre is owned and operated by Dan Wyatt.

About The VSO Chamber Series

Now in its third season, this series was created by Dr. Michael C. Liu, VSO pianist and board member and aims to present great musicians playing in a very intimate setting. The content of each concert is unique, and most of the participating musicians are members of The Vancouver Symphony.

About The VSO

Acclaimed Maestro Salvador Brotons is now in his 23rd season of leading the professional orchestra of over 70 core members. For 35 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 the Firstenburg Family, All Classical Portland and The Columbian. 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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