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## **VSO PLAYS HONEGGER SYMPHONY NO. 5 AND WELCOMES THREE YOUNG ARTIST WINNERS** **APRIL 18 & 19**

*Maestro Brotons also conducts Ravel's La Valse*

(Vancouver, WA) **The Vancouver Symphony** continues its big 36th season with a concert that combines the talents of its three gold medal winners of the 21st Annual Young Artists Competition, framed two French works: Henry Honegger's Symphony No. 5 and Maurice Ravel's *La Valse*. Maestro Salvador Brotons conducts Saturday, April 18 at 3 pm and Sunday, April 19 at 7 pm at Skyview Concert Hall.

Guest artists will be our three Young Artists winners: Matthieu Galizia, piano, playing the Piano Concerto in A minor, Op. 16 (1<sup>st</sup> mvt.) by Grieg; Nathan Kim, piano, playing the Piano Concerto No. 1 in D-flat major, Op. 10 by Prokofiev and Yun Teng, violin, playing the Violin Concerto in D minor, Op. 47 (1<sup>st</sup> mvt.) by Sibelius.

All three young artists won the right to perform with extraordinary performances at the competition on February 8 at Trinity Lutheran Church. The home of The VSO, Skyview Concert Hall, is located at 1300 NW 139th Street in Vancouver. Tickets are available now at [vancouversymphony.org](http://vancouversymphony.org) or (360) 735-7278.

### **About Matthieu Galizia**

Matthieu is 16 and currently studies with Shirley Brendlinger. He was a winner at the OMTA Classical, Ensemble, Contemporary and Romantic Festivals, the Trula Whelan Concerto Competition and the OMTA Scholarship Competitions. He has studied with Paul Roberts, Mark Wescott, Arnaldo Cohen and Anderson and Roe. Matthieu is also a featured performer of the "Ten Grands for Kids" concerts at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. He recently released his first classical album, "Love and War." A homeschooled student, he is a junior and an avid skier and surfer.

### **About Nathan Kim**

Nathan Kim, 15, has performed in Carnegie Hall, Mondavi Center, Soren Theatre and Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. He won First Prize in the 2015 Coeur d'Alene Symphony National Young Artist Competition and will perform with the symphony in March along with competing in the national finals of the MTNA Junior Piano Competition in Las Vegas. Other awards include First Prizes in the AADGT and American Protege International Competitions, Grand Prize in the 2014 American Fine Arts Festival International Concerto Competition and First Prize in the Mondavi Center National

Young Artist Competition. He is a freshman at Newberg High School and currently studies with Dr. Renato Fabbro.

### **About Yun Teng**

Violinist Yun Teng is a senior at Camas High School and currently studies with Kathryn Gray, having also studied with Clarisse Atcherson. In 2011, he won the OMTA Junior Strings Competition and in 2012, he won the MTNA Northwest Junior Strings Division and became a National finalist. In 2013, he placed second in the American Protégé International Concerto Competition and performed in the Weill Hall of Carnegie Hall. Yun has also performed as soloist with the Willamette Falls Symphony and Clark College Orchestra. Aside from his passion in music, Yun is a two-time National Science Olympiad medalist, National AP Scholar, and National Merit Finalist.

### **About Maestro Brotons**

What more can be written about the remarkable career of Dr. Salvador Brotons? In his 24th season as music director and conductor of The Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, musicians and classical music enthusiasts still delight in having Dr. Brotons lead them. Born into a family of musicians, he began studying flute at an early age with his father, and continued his studies at the Barcelona Conservatory of Music, where he excelled in flute, composition and orchestra conducting. From 1977 to 1985 he was principal flute in the Orchestra of the Liceu in Barcelona, and a member of the Orquestra Citutat de Barcelona. In 1985, he was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship, and moved to the United States to earn a Doctorate in Music from Florida State University. In 2002, he received the Florida State University Alumni Award for his professional achievements. Dr. Brotons resides in Barcelona with his wife, Dr. Melissa Brotons, renowned music therapist and director of the Interuniversity Master Program in Music Therapy in Barcelona. Their daughter, Clara, is a college student in New York.

### **About The VSO**

For 36 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 NW Equity Holdings LLC, 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](http://www.vancouversymphony.org).

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