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VSO ANNOUNCES 35TH ANNIVERSARY
SEASON OF STARS IN 2013-2014

Maestro Salvador Brotons returns for a 23rd season on Sept 21 & 22

(Vancouver, WA) The phenomenal pianist, Orli Shaham and the return of violinist Ryu Goto highlight **The Vancouver Symphony's** 35th season, proudly announced today by VSO Executive Director Igor Shakhman.

The 2013-2014 season is comprised of twelve symphony concerts, six Chamber Series concerts, our 20th Annual Young Artist Competition and the return of The Big Horn Brass Holiday Show. The season premieres on Saturday, September 21, 2013 at Skyview Concert Hall with Maestro Salvador Brotons returning to conduct for his 23rd consecutive season.

“It’s the biggest lineup of guest stars in our history and marks a real turning point for The VSO,” said Dr. Shakhman.

Each symphony concert is performed at Skyview Concert Hall in Vancouver. Performances are Saturday at 3 pm and Sundays at 7 pm.

September 21 & 22, 2013

<i>Eugene Onegin</i>	Tchaikovsky
Anna Kazakova, soprano	
<i>Slave March</i>	Tchaikovsky
<i>1812 Overture</i>	Tchaikovsky

November 2 & 3, 2013

<i>Rienzi Overture</i>	Wagner
<i>Harmonica Concerto</i>	Jacob
Joe Powers, harmonica	
Symphony No. 6 Op. 60 in D Minor	Dvořák

January 18 & 19, 2014

Jesus Medina, guest conductor	
<i>España</i>	Chabrier
<i>Symphonie Espagnole</i>	Lalo
Ryu Goto, violin	
Symphony No. 4	Mendelssohn

February 22 & 23, 2014

<i>Euryanthe Overture</i>	Weber
Tuba Concerto in F Minor	Williams
Ja'Ttik Clark, tuba	
<i>Taras Bulba</i>	Janacek
<i>The Preludes</i>	Liszt

April 12 & 13, 2014

<i>Karelian Overture</i>	Sibelius
Symphony No. 7 in C Major	Sibelius
Young Artists Winners	TBA

May 31 & June 1, 2014

<i>Piano Concerto for Two Pianos</i>	Mozart
Orli Shaham and Igal Kesselman, piano	
Symphony No. 7 “Leningrad”	Shostakovich

Soprano Anna Kazakova will be singing the part of Tatyana in Tchaikovsky’s *Eugene Onegin*. She is currently the leading soloist at the Helicon opera theater in Moscow. A native of Russia, she divides her time between Moscow and Portland.

Harmonica virtuoso Joe Powers lives in Portland and whose musical interests include Jazz-Fusion, Classical, Blues, Pop-Rock, Brazilian, Hip-Hop, Latin, New Age and World Traditions.

Japanese-American violinist Ryu Goto last played with The VSO in 2009 to thunderous applause. The Harvard graduate has established himself as a significant voice in classical music.

Oregon Symphony Principal Tuba Ja'Ttik Clark returns to play with The VSO. Now in his eighth season with the orchestra, JáTtik has become quite active as a performer, soloist, clinician and teacher both in the Portland music scene and beyond.

Pianist Orli Shaham is a consummate musician recognized for her grace, subtlety and vitality, having established herself with an impressive international reputation as one of today's most gifted pianists, hailed by critics on four continents.

Pianist Dr. Igal Kesselman has been praised for his “kaleidoscopic” playing by the New York Times, and is one of today’s most forward-thinking performers and music educators. Originally from Israel, he is a member of the piano faculty at Lucy Moses School and Special Music School in New York.

January’s guest conductor Jesus Medina is one of Mexico’s outstanding conductors. He is currently the music director of Thin Monterrey, Mexico, and founder and Music Director of The Milenium Sinfonietta.

For 23 seasons, Maestro Salvador Brotons has inspired musicians and audiences with his passion, charisma and impeccable musical judgment. Concert tickets are \$35 for adults, \$30 for seniors (62+) and \$10 for students and are on sale now at (360) 735-7278 or www.vancouversymphony.org.

About Maestro Brotons

Born into a family of musicians, Brotons began studying flute at an early age with his father. He has written more than 100 works, mainly for orchestra and chamber ensembles and has received many commissions. Several of his pieces have been published and recorded on CDs in Europe and the USA. In addition to his 22 seasons at The VSO, he was also the conductor and music director of the Vallès Symphony Orchestra in Barcelona and is currently conductor and music director of the Balearic Islands Symphony Orchestra in Palma de Mallorca as well as the Orquestra Simfònica de Balears Ciutat de Palma. He is on the faculty of the Escola Superior de Música de Barcelona, where he teaches orchestra conducting and composition. Dr. Brotons resides in Barcelona with his wife, Dr. Melissa Brotons.

About The VSO

Entering its 35th season, 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. With a full-sized professional orchestra of over 70 core members, many of whom are teachers in our school districts and beyond, the orchestra provides our region with a multi-concert classical season every year. The VSO performs at Skyview Concert Hall, 1300 NW 139th Street, Vancouver. Season support for The VSO is provided by Sterling Bank and All Classical 89.9.

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