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VSA Presents
A Kaleidoscope of Local Color: Collaborations and Debuts
Reception immediately following concert

Montrose, CO – The Valley Symphony Association (VSA) presents “A Kaleidoscope of Local Color: Collaborations and Debuts” on Sunday, February 23 (3pm) at the Montrose Pavilion.

The VSA is an all-volunteer regional performing arts organization in its 49th year. Orchestra musicians’ ages range from 15 to 93.

Director Mike Kern is excited to shine a spotlight within the orchestra’s ranks, on both soloists and composers who will debut their works. “It is a treat to share the considerable talents of our members,” Kern said. “They all give so much our musical community, and we’re excited to highlight their remarkable gifts.

Favorite established repertoire will include Bach's "Brandenburg Concerto No. 4," featuring Concertmaster Debra TenNapel (Montrose) and flutists Kathryn Kubinyi (Ouray, principal) and Edie Burgess (Eckert); "Adagio" from Mozart's "Concerto for Clarinet" featuring principal clarinetist Holly Burgess (Montrose); and the tenor's aria from the opera, "The Elixir of Love" by Donizetti, featuring visiting artists from Grand Junction, tenor David Silvano and harpist Elyse Anderson, along with principal cellist Barb Campbell (Cedaredge).

Exciting compositional premiers from the oboe, bass, and viola sections will also take center stage. Fifteen-year-old violist Anwen Borgo (Montrose) will premier two pieces, as will bassist Richard Hansen (Olathe). Principal oboist Nick Carozza (Grand Junction) and bassist Justin Russell (Whitewater) have co-composed a concerto for full orchestra that highlights their instruments and features them as soloists. "The piece is a musical narrative of our friendship," Carozza said.

"Our music is timeless and ageless, and our musicians are so talented," said VSA board member Priscilla Fry. "We look forward to seeing you at this exciting concert of debuts and collaborations."

A complimentary reception will immediately follow the concert. "We are grateful to Farmers Insurance – Jesse Dyer Agency for stepping up as our February concert partner to help make the music happen."

For information, upcoming concerts, tickets, and the audition process, visit the VSA on Facebook @ValleySymphonyAssociation and at ValleySymphony.net. Tickets are available online, in Delta at Clubb's, in Montrose at the Montrose Pavilion and Maggie's Books, and at the door on event days.

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PHOTOS & GRAPHICS (Dropbox links)

Photo 1: Valley Symphony Association Orchestra (Season 49 - 2019-2020)

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Event graphics

Dropbox link (all formats):

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PDF: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/8pb94sclbr1eljq/4%20-%20Poster%20Feb%20Kaleidscope.pdf?dl=0>

JPG:

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07eg9fv838117e20c2&llr=hhpjmj6gab&showPage=true>

Photo Headshots (bios are available upon request)

Photos for February featured musicians:

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COMPOSERS:

Anwen Borgo- 72

Justin Russell/Nick Carozza – “Nick Carozza & Justin Russell”

Richard Hansen- 65

SOLOISTS:

Holly Burgess- 55

Kathryn Kubinyi/Edie Burgess/Debra TenNapel - 60

Barb Campbell - 62

About the concert, “A Kaleidoscope of Local Color”

Sunday, February 23, 3pm

Featuring local talent from within our ranks, the winter concert highlights the remarkable gifts of our orchestra members and few guests. Favorite established repertoire, like Bach's "Brandenburg Concerto No. 4," "Adagio" from Mozart's "Concerto for Clarinet," and the tenor's aria from "The Elixir of Love" opera by Donizetti, will be presented alongside exciting compositional premiers from the oboe, bass, and viola sections. With thanks to our concert partner, Farmers Insurance—Jesse Dryer Agency

About the Valley Symphony Association

The power of music to bind generations.

Since 1970, the Valley Symphony Association orchestra and chorus has culturally enriched the community and its members by bringing together some of the best volunteer musicians from the North Fork and Uncompahgre Valleys to discover and present works of great composers, past and present. Performance styles range from classical orchestral to upbeat pop, from purely instrumental to a combination of orchestra and chorus.