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LONDON SYMPHONIA EXPLORES THE NEW SOUND OF MUSIC AT METROPOLITAN UNITED



A QUESTION OF BALANCE: FROM MOZART TO STRAVINSKY

Saturday, November 19 at 7:30 p.m.

LONDON, November 9, 2022 – London Symphonia’s upcoming concert, *A Question of Balance: From Mozart to Stravinsky* (Saturday, November 19 at Metropolitan United) is a jewel music lovers will not want to miss.

“We are very excited to continue our exploration of the new sound of music at Metropolitan United,” said Andrew Chung, Artistic Producer of London Symphonia. “The hall itself becomes an instrument. With the new renovations, the acoustics on stage have improved substantially.

“Each time we play, we have a wonderful opportunity to hear and feel how this stage enhances our performances. Every London Symphonia concert program will explore a different genre of music with a different sized ensemble, selected from across 400 years of orchestral music.”

A Question of Balance showcases the London Symphonia Winds, which includes some of Canada’s finest performers, in this more intimate chamber music program led by London Symphonia’s own Scott Harrison.

The program explores how Mozart inspired Stravinsky. The superb London Symphonia Winds will perform Mozart’s *Gran Partita*, a technically demanding work that as a result is rarely heard in live performance. Regarded by many as some of the finest music ever composed by Mozart,

the *Gran Partita* inspired Stravinsky to compose his *Octet for Wind Instruments*, 150 years later. When the *Octet* made its debut in 1923, the audience was surprised: They heard Stravinsky's unmistakable musical language, but dressed in classical forms from the time of Mozart.

The 7:30 p.m. concert can be heard in person or livestreamed online. In-person tickets are \$50 regular, \$68 premium, \$50 for livestreaming per household plus fees and HST. Tickets are available online at londonsymphonia.ca/202223-season.

LISTING INFORMATION:

A Question of Balance: From Mozart to Stravinsky

London Symphonia

Scott Harrison, guest conductor

Sat Nov 19 at 7:30pm

Doors open at 6:30pm

Pre-concert screening of *Behind The Music* at 6:45 pm

Metropolitan United, 468 Wellington St, London, ON N6A 3P8

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London Symphonia is deeply grateful for the continued support of our government partners, London Arts Council, Canada Council for the Arts, and the Ontario Arts Council.

ABOUT LONDON SYMPHONIA

London Symphonia is a professional symphony orchestra committed to performing vibrant and bold musical experiences for London and the region. With a core of 30 players, our versatile group meets the community's needs for quality programming by presenting well-known symphonies, Canadian premieres, and collaborations with some of Canada's finest singer-songwriters. We deliver a rich, artistic experience by seeking out the most accomplished performers and conductors representing a blend of locally, nationally and internationally recognized talent. A registered charitable organization, we perform a number of outreach and music education engagements each season for students and seniors in our community.

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