## Solano Symphony Orchestra

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## Solano youth shine as they are showcased by the Solano Symphony Orchestra

January 14, 2020 – The Solano Symphony Orchestra's annual Salute to Youth concert, underwritten in part by the generous support of the Margaret Beelard Community Foundation, presents young soloists and ensemble musicians at their best. Maestro Semyon Lohss and the orchestra (SSO) accompany the three winners of the 2019 Young Artist's Competition who perform classical music of the highest order. Performing on the bassoon, Matthew Rasmussen plays the stirring Bassoon Concerto by von Weber; at the keyboard, Adrian Pu performs the brilliant Finale of Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 5; and Senzel Ahmady, winner of the vocal division, sings arias from the operas Susannah and Carmen.

The program showcases ensembles of string and wind players in pieces dedicated to these instrument families. The players of the Vacaville High School Premiere Orchestra—Music Director, Melinda Packer—join the strings of the SSO in the Suite for String Orchestra by Frank Bridge, and the players of The Wind Ensemble of Vanden High School—Music Director, Mason St. Pierre—join the SSO winds in the dramatic "El Camino Real" by Alfred Reed. The full orchestra and cast of young players then fill the stage to perform the thrilling Concert Suite from the film *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*, by Patrick Doyle. Don't miss this inspiring presentation of music by the world's finest composers brought to life by performers brimming with youthful energy as well as mature skill and insight.

## The concert takes place Sunday, Feb. 9, 2020 at 3 p.m. at the Vacaville Performing Arts Theatre (1010 Ulatis Drive, Vacaville).

Tickets available at Vacaville Performing Arts Theatre, (707) 469-4013 or www.vpat.net, or the Symphony website, www.solanosymphony.org. Box office opens one hour before performance.

<u>Ticket Pricing:</u> Adults \$30; Senior (62) \$25; Active Military and Student \$15 (with ID); Children 14 and under \$10.

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