

## **SIMON WOODS**

## Chief Executive Officer, David C. Bohnett Chief Executive Officer Chair Los Angeles Philharmonic Association

Simon Woods currently serves as Chief Executive Officer of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association. Prior to joining the Philharmonic in January 2018, Woods was President & CEO of the Seattle Symphony, a post he held for seven years.

Born in London, England, Woods previously held positions with the Royal Scottish National Orchestra (RSNO), one of the United Kingdom's leading symphony orchestras, as Chief Executive; as President & CEO of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra; and Vice President of Artistic Planning and Operations at The Philadelphia Orchestra. For almost a decade, from the late 1980s to the late 1990s, he worked as a record producer with EMI Classics in London, where he initiated and produced recordings with many of the world's foremost classical artists and ensembles.

Simon Woods earned a degree in music from Cambridge University, and a post-graduate diploma in conducting from the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. He has been a Board Member of Cultural Access Washington and the Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and was a Board Member of the League of American Orchestras and American Composers' Forums. He is a long-standing contributor to the League's professional development programs, including being a core faculty member for the League's signature training program, Essentials of Orchestra Management, in 2016 and 2017.

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