

### Education and Community Programs 2010-2011

### NURTURING CREATIVITY, CURIOSITY and VIRTUOSITY

During the 2010/11 season, the Los Angeles Philharmonic's Education Programs will reach over 100,000 schoolchildren, teachers, families, young musicians, and concert-goers through concerts, participatory music programs in schools, workshops, and events at the Walt Disney Concert Hall, the Hollywood Bowl, and various locations in Los Angeles.

During the 2010/11 season, the Los Angeles Philharmonic's Community Programs will reach more than **30,000** people through complimentary ticket distribution through social service agencies and the offices of the County Supervisors, and, through free and low cost concerts in various Los Angeles communities.



# **INCITING CURIOSITY**

The Los Angeles Philharmonic believes in the profound and transforming experience of living music. We are committed to creating innovative music education programs which provide teachers and students throughout the greater Los Angeles are access to the world's finest musicians and creative programming.



### Toyota Symphonies for Youth:

Eight concerts created especially for children age five to eleven and their families. These concerts are a perennial favorite of old and young alike. Pre-concert activities such as art-making, singing, dancing, and story-telling open this fun-filled and thrilling event. Approximately 16,000 children and families served.

#### Symphonies for Schools-Elementary Students:

Four free concerts, held at Walt Disney Concert Hall, introduce elementary schoolchildren to the Los Angeles Philharmonic. Each teacher who applies to participate in this program is required to attend a preparatory workshop focusing on curricular integration of the music. The program culminates in unforgettable concerts developed especially for elementary students at Walt Disney Concert Hall. Approximately 9,000 students and teachers served.

#### School Partners Program-Elementary Students:

This program connects students and teachers with orchestral music through engaging residencies. The School Partners Program for elementary schools is a 6 or 20-week residency program providing historical and cultural context of LA Philharmonic repertoire and opportunities for student music-making. The Program for secondary schools is a partnership in which the Los Angeles Philharmonic works closely with selected school orchestras to provide supplemental music instruction. All programs include concert experiences at Walt Disney Concert Hall. Approximately 70 teachers and 1,900 students served.

#### Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts Youth Concerts:

The Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts sponsors two Los Angeles Philharmonic concerts designed and presented especially for elementary school children. The Los Angeles Philharmonic's Education Department provides students and teachers with preparatory study materials and musical recordings. **4500 students served.** 

### SummerSounds: Music and Art for Kids at the Hollywood Bowl:

Six weeks of morning concerts and fine arts activities engage children and their families in learning about the world of music. Approximately 30,000 children served.

# NURTURING CREATIVITY

"An orchestra means joy, motivation, teamwork, the aspiration to success. It is a big family dedicated to harmony." — *José Antonio Abreu, Founder of El Sistema* 



#### Symphonies for Schools-Secondary Students:

The Secondary School Partners Program focuses on developing the performance skills of middle and high school orchestras. Los Angeles Philharmonic musicians and teaching artists work collaboratively with partner school orchestra teachers in coaching and rehearsing students as they learn to perform selected musical repertoire. Students are also provided with access to Los Angeles Philharmonic rehearsals, concerts, and guest artist masterclasses. Each teacher who applies to participate in this program is required to attend a preparatory workshop focusing on musical concepts and repertoire as part of the concert experience and receives study materials and a compact disc of the music. The program culminates in unforgettable concerts developed especially for secondary music students at Walt Disney Concert Hall. Approximately 4500 students and teachers served.

#### Youth Orchestra Los Angeles:

Youth Orchestra LA (YOLA) is the Los Angeles Philharmonic's initiative, supported by a network of stakeholders, to provide access to exceptional instrumental and orchestral education in order to promote youth development. The program and musical instruments are free to all participating students. Central to YOLA is the LA Phil's plan to build, with community partners, youth orchestras in underserved communities throughout Los Angeles.

YOLA is inspired by *El Sistema*, the Venezuelan music education system that nurtured Music Director Gustavo Dudamel. El Sistema annually provides a quarter million children with free musical instruments and music instruction so that they may play in youth orchestras throughout their country.

The EXPO Center Youth Orchestra, the first project of YOLA, is a partnership among the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association, The Harmony Project, and the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks. The EXPO Center Youth Orchestra is comprised of children ages 7 – 16 who come mainly from within a 5-mile radius of the EXPO Center and represent more than 60 public, charter, and private schools in South LA. Serves 250 students.

In fall 2010, the LA Phil will establish the second YOLA site at HOLA: Heart of Los Angeles, an after-school community center in Lafayette Park. The program will begin with 100 first graders in a free, intensive music program, leading to the development of children and youth orchestras in the future.

# SUPPORTING VIRTUOSITY

LA Phil follows in a deep tradition of enlisting accomplished musicians as mentors. Our Young Musicians programs aim to help youth reach their potential and to inspire virtuosity – more often than not, students and teachers learn important lessons along the way.



#### Youth Orchestra Partners Program:

Students in Los Angeles based youth orchestras join with LA Phil musicians in a deep-rooted tradition of mentorship. These vital relationships are cultivated through access to coaching sessions, master classes, and concert tickets which prepare students for the unforgettable opportunity to perform on the stage of Walt Disney Concert Hall. This season we serve the Santa Clarita Valley Youth Orchestra, Los Angeles Music and Art School, Santa Monica High School Orchestra, Renaissance Arts Academy, Korean American Music Foundation Youth Orchestra and the Young Musicians Foundation. **Over 400 students served.** 

#### Composer Fellowship Program:

This innovative two year program gives passionate young composers the tools and the freedom to shape the future of music. Private and group composition lessons, seminars presented by LA Phil musicians, and encounters with professionals in the field, propel Fellows to excellence. Students experience the creative process from start to finish with the help of accomplished composers. At the end of the process, these young composers have the remarkable opportunity to hear their works performed by the Los Angeles Philharmonic. Four to eight students served every 2 years.

#### Masterclasses:

Our Masterclasses give music students and educators the exceptional opportunity to attend a masterclass with world-renowned Los Angeles Philharmonic musicians and guest artists. Masterclasses are open to young musicians and present helpful instruction on topics ranging from practice and performance skills to instrumental technique and artistic interpretation. **Over 300 students and teachers served.** 

### The Bronislaw Kaper Awards:

This competition is held annually by the Los Angeles Philharmonic for the piano and strings instrumental categories, which alternate each year. Named in honor of the late Bronislaw Kaper, a renowned film composer who served for more than 15 years as a member of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association's Board of Directors, the Awards encourage the development of young and gifted musicians. Approximately 20 students compete each year.

#### **Dudamel Fellowship Program:**

The Dudamel Fellows Program is the Los Angeles Philharmonic's initiative to identify emerging young talent in the field of conducting. Four promising young conductors are selected by Maestro Gustavo Dudamel and LA Phil Artistic staff to participate in a 6 week intensive residency at the Los Angeles Philharmonic each season which includes opportunities to hone skills as conductor and educator. Dudamel Fellows act as cover and guest conductor for the LA Philharmonic in education and community concerts, and working with students in key education programs of the LA Phil. Four fellows annually.

# **ACCESS FOR ALL**

The LA Phil is expert in designing engaging concert experiences for specific audiences. Not only do we want to serve audiences who are tried and true, but new audiences with young faces and in unusual settings – in churches and school auditoriums – for people less familiar with music of the LA Phil.



#### **Open Rehearsals:**

Open Rehearsals provide students and teachers with a rare opportunity to watch the Los Angeles Philharmonic in action as it prepares for concert performance. In order to enhance the learning experience, the education department provides participants with information on the repertoire and composers, and information about the rehearsal process. Our partner middle and high schools attend open rehearsals, as well as select partners from youth orchestras and universities. **Over 200 students and teachers served per year.** 

#### Upbeat Live:

Pre-concert lectures and post-concert discussions are an informative and engaging way to learn about the music before the performance begins. There will be **over 110 talks** by renowned musicologists, panel discussions, and special events held one hour before most concerts in BP Hall in the Walt Disney Concert Hall. Upbeat Live events are free with the purchase of a concert ticket.

#### Neighborhood and Community Concerts:

The Philharmonic's concerts in the community include free orchestra, chamber music and jazz concerts in churches, community centers and other local venues around Southern California. Free chamber music concerts will have been performed in Culver City: Music in the chambers; First Lutheran Church in Venice; the Central Library and at St. Thomas the Apostle in Pico-Union, the Pomona First Baptist Church. Orchestra Neighborhood Concerts are performed annually in different locations around the County, a highlight of which was the Philharmonic's free *Bienvenido Gustavo!* concert at the Hollywood Bowl provided unprecedented access to the orchestra. *These programs serve approximately 4000 annually.* 

#### **Community Concert Connections:**

Through Community Concert Connections, the Philharmonic distributes complimentary concert tickets to organizations that work with individuals in need, families, youths and seniors who could not otherwise attend concerts. 501 (c) 3 organizations submit a brief application describing whom they serve and, once accepted, receive a set of concert dates from which to request their tickets. At the Hollywood Bowl, tickets are offered for Tuesday and Thursday evening Philharmonic performances. *More than 16,000 are distributed through more than one hundred social service organizations per year.*