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Guest violinist Zhu joins Boca Raton Symphonia for opening concert

BOCA RATON — The Boca Raton Symphonia will open its 2012– 2013 season Sunday, Dec. 2 at 4 p.m. At the first of the season's Connoisseur Concert Series, Phillipe Entremont will conduct and violin soloist will be celebrated international artist, Dan Zhu.

The concert will be held at the Roberts Theater at Saint Andrews School, 3900 Jog Road in Boca Raton. Tickets are \$35-\$62. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit www.bocasymphonia.org or call 561-376-3848.

The program will include Rossini's II Signor Bruschino Overture, Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto in E minor, op. 6, Piston's Sinfonietta and Copland's Appalachian Spring.

"This is such a fantastic program to kick off our music season," said Steve Pomeranz, president of the Boca Raton Symphonia's Board of Directors. "Our orchestra has been rehearsing nonstop to ensure music lovers will truly enjoy the diverse lineup of exciting performances."

Before the concert, Dr. Kyle Prescott will talk with the audience at a pre-concert program at 3:15 pm. Dr. Prescott, who has enjoyed a career as a conductor in the Pacific Northwest, is director of bands at Florida Atlantic University and Associate Chair of the Department of Music.

Dan Zhu, widely recognized as one of the finest Chinese international artists, performs regularly in North and South America, Europe, and Asia. He has appeared as soloist with many orchestras. A native of Beijing, Zhu made his first public appearance at the age of 9, performing Mendelssohn's violin concerto with the China Youth Chamber Orchestra. At age 12 he entered the Central Conservatory of Music in Beijing, where he studied with Xiao-zhi Huang.

The mission of the Boca Raton Symphonia is to provide professional classical music, in and around the greater Boca Raton community, through performances and educational outreach programs featuring nationally and internationally acclaimed conductors and soloists.



Dan Zhu, violin soloist for Dec. 2 concert by Boca Raton Symphonia