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## EMOTIONAL POWERHOUSE CLOSES OUT THE RENO PHIL'S CLASSIX SERIES

### *Reno Phil Classix Six Performances April 24 and 26, 2016*

**RENO, Nev. (April 5, 2016)**—A compilation of emotions lifts the final performance of the Reno Phil's Classix Six series to an epic conclusion. Power, poverty, hatred, love, blasphemy and oppression are served up in just the first 10 minutes with orchestral movements encompassing the works of Johannes Brahms and Carl Orff, **April 24 and 26, 2016** at the Pioneer Center for Performing Arts in Reno, Nevada.

The Reno Phil orchestra performs Brahms *Symphony No.3 in F Major, op. 90* and Orff's *Carmina Burana*. In this concert of contrasts, the orchestra goes from timid to bold seamlessly with instrumental forces weaving in powerful musical tones from serious to whimsical. The Brahms piece captures a gorgeous meditation on a symphonic ideal. While it is a traditional symphony, it plays tribute to the composer's strengths in structure full of lush, warm and subtle melodic contours. The Orff piece is a spectacular work featuring more than 170 onstage singers from the Reno Phil Chorus, the Damonte Ranch High School Mixed Chorus, the Sierra Nevada Children's Choir as well as three brilliant soloists. The composition is based on ancient medieval texts yet it is set with gigantic performing forces more characteristic of the late 19th and early 20th century.

"For our season finale, we bring enormous community forces to the stage with multiple choirs, soloists, and an expanded orchestra," Laura Jackson, music director and conductor, said. "The warm, lush sound of the orchestra is going to shine in the *Brahms Symphony* on the first half of the concert, and then the visceral power and excitement of *Carmina Burana* will be a thrilling conclusion to a wonderful season."

Performances are Sunday, April 24 at 4 p.m. and Tuesday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the Pioneer Center for the Performing Arts. Pre-concert talks take place April 24 at 3 p.m. and April 26 at 7 p.m. The preview provides attendees a background and historical context to the music to be performed.

Tickets are available online at [RENOPHIL.COM](http://RENOPHIL.COM) or by calling 775-323-6393.

#### ***About the Reno Phil***

The [Reno Phil](http://Reno Phil) is northern Nevada's largest performing arts organization. In its 47<sup>th</sup> season, the orchestra, led by music director Laura Jackson, is comprised of more than 80 professional musicians who perform more than 30 concerts annually throughout the Reno-Tahoe region. Musicians of the professional orchestra, youth orchestras, various ensembles and education programs offer more than 60 performances each year, playing to more than 50,000 people. The flagship of the Reno Phil is its concert series offering six classic music series, *Classix*, performed on Sunday afternoons and Tuesday evenings at the Pioneer Center for the Performing Arts. To learn more about the Reno Philharmonic and its events, and to discover all that the Reno Phil has to offer, visit [RENOPHIL.COM](http://RENOPHIL.COM).

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