



# SEASON 55

CLASSIX SERIES | 2023-24

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RETURN TO THE MUSIC YOU KNOW & **LOVE.**

The Classix Series offers music that will uplift and inspire, full of beloved masterworks and new favorites. The Classix Series takes place at the Pioneer Center for the Performing Arts, where the Reno Phil is a resident company.

**PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE**

Saturday evening at 7:30 PM  
Sunday afternoon at 4:00 PM



## ENJOY OUR LEGENDARY SEASON OF WORLD-CLASS MUSIC.

It is with enormous excitement that I share the programs for next season with you. I absolutely love the juxtapositions of legendary familiar works with exciting new sounds from across the globe.

OUR 55TH SEASON IS SIMPLY LEGENDARY.

We have timeless masterworks anchoring our season - Beethoven 5, Shostakovich 5, and Mahler 5. I'll also present to you a brilliant new composition by Reno native, Paul Novak, an alumni of our Reno Phil Youth Orchestra and the Davidson Institute.

I am especially excited to introduce you to some phenomenal new soloists and bring back a beloved favorite. Our dear friend, Jon Nakamatsu, will return to perform a Brahms Piano Concerto and I'll introduce you to dynamite new artists Daniela Leibman, Charlotte Marckx, Ramon Tebar, & Rafael Agguire. And I'm particularly thrilled to feature one of the Reno Phil's very own musicians, Jordan Pyle, this March. This season is simply full of musical delights. This is just the beginning of what we have in store for you!

With Joy,

**LAURA JACKSON**

*Music Director and Conductor*



Featuring Daniela Liebman, piano

Richard STRAUSS: *Don Juan*  
Clara SCHUMANN: Piano Concerto  
Ludwig Van BEETHOVEN: Symphony No. 5

SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 14, 2023  
7:30 PM

SUNDAY  
OCTOBER 15, 2023  
4:00 PM

# BEETHOVEN'S SYMPHONY NO. 5

The Reno Phil celebrates its 55th anniversary season with a blazing crescendo, featuring Beethoven's immortal Fifth Symphony. The program opens with Strauss' popular tone-poem, *Don Juan*, which scandalized and delighted audiences in 1889 because of the music's graphically suggestive nature. The concert also includes a dazzling performance of Clara Schumann's Piano Concerto by twenty-year-old Mexican pianist Daniela Liebman. Known for her eloquence, poise, and nuance, and committed to sharing her love of music to her listeners, the virtuosic passages will sparkle in her hands.

**OPENING NIGHT!**



"The sixth symphony always reminds me  
of the scent of the first snow."

– Jean Sibelius, 1943

**Nkeiru OKOYE:** *Voices Shouting Out*

**Jean SIBELIUS:** *Symphony No. 6*

**Johannes BRAHMS:** *Piano Concerto No. 1*

SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 11, 2023  
7:30 PM

SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 12, 2023  
4:00 PM

# NAKAMATSU PLAYS BRAHMS

Featuring Jon Nakamatsu, piano

He's back! Audience favorite Jon Nakamatsu returns to Reno to perform the Brahms Piano Concerto No. 1 - surging with youthful fire, tender passion, and thunderous power. Written when Brahms was only 25 years old, the piano concerto is one of music history's most monumental and stunning creative achievements. The program opens with a composition from Nigerian composer Nkeiru Okoye, a response to the 9/11 tragedy. In her words, "It was a march to acknowledge those fighting on our behalf of our safety, and yet a sparkling celebration of life for those who continue living." Sibelius No. 6 speaks to the soul while evoking the change in seasons due to its interplay with the listener's senses.







Featuring Rafael Aguirre, guitar

**Alberto GINESTERA:** *Estancia, Four Dances*

**Joaquín RODRIGO:** *Fantasia para un Gentilhombre*

**Manuel de FALLA:** *Three Cornered Hat*

SATURDAY  
JANUARY 27, 2024  
7:30 PM

SUNDAY  
JANUARY 28, 2024  
4:00 PM

# SPANISH NIGHTS

Grab your passports and travel to Spain for an evening of unforgettable music with the Reno Phil! Spanish conductor Ramon Tebar will lead the orchestra on a musical journey with colorful works by Spanish composers. Multi award-winning Spanish guitarist Rafael Aguirre will join the program for a performance of Rodrigo's *Fantasia para un Gentilhombre*, a work of lyrical beauty and virtuosity. Join us for a night you won't soon forget! Olé!

Featuring Guest Conductor Ramon Tebar





**Paul NOVAK:** *longing is an aviary* World Premiere  
**Wolfgang Amadeus MOZART:** Violin Concerto No. 4  
**Dmitri SHOSTAKOVICH:** Symphony No. 5

SATURDAY  
FEBRUARY 24, 2024  
7:30 PM

SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 24, 2024  
4:00 PM

# SHOSTAKOVICH'S FIFTH SYMPHONY

This program is brimming with youthful talent. Davidson Fellow, Charlotte Marckx takes center stage as she hypnotizes you into a blissful trance with Mozart's Violin Concerto No. 4. Enjoy a world premiere performance composed by our very own Reno Phil Youth Orchestra and Davidson alumni, Paul Novak. Shostakovich's Fifth Symphony will anchor the program - written in 1937 as a defiant act to satisfy Stalin's regime. The symphony was published with the ironic subtitle, "A Soviet Artist's Reply to Criticism" and has become loved for its complex beauty and triumphant conclusion.

Featuring Davidson Fellow,  
Charlotte Marckx, violin





**George GERSHWIN:** *Strike Up the Band* (new critical edition)  
**Michael DAUGHTERY:** *Spaghetti Western*  
**George GERSHWIN:** *An American in Paris* (new critical edition)  
**Maurice RAVEL:** *Bolero*

*Celebrating the 125th Anniversary of Gershwin*

# GERSHWIN CELEBRATION

The Reno Phil fans the flame of creative genius. Join us to celebrate the 125th birthday of legendary American composer, George Gershwin! Hear the new critical editions of his beloved works *Strike Up the Band* and *An American in Paris*. Our very own Reno Phil English Horn player, Jordan Pyle, will have the spotlight for Daughtery's *Spaghetti Western*. You'll be transported to a land of gunfights, bank robberies, saloon brawls, train heists, ghostly stagecoaches, quests for gold, and revenge and retribution. Ravel's *Bolero*, an audience favorite and known from the film *Paradise Road*, closes the concert with a brief spotlight on every instrument on stage.

SATURDAY  
MARCH 23, 2024  
7:30 PM

SUNDAY  
MARCH 24, 2024  
4:00 PM

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*Featuring* Jordan Pyle, English horn







Featuring Reno Phil Chorus and soloist

Francis **POULENC**: *Gloria*  
Gustav **MAHLER**: Symphony No. 5

SATURDAY  
APRIL 20, 2024  
7:30 PM

SUNDAY  
APRIL 21, 2024  
4:00 PM

# MAHLER'S FIFTH SYMPHONY

The Reno Phil Chorus joins the orchestra for the rousing season finale. Audiences will be delighted by the powerful sound of Poulenc's *Gloria*, mixing musical styles with a dizzying, kaleidoscopic effect. The 55th season will close with one of Mahler's most magnificent works, his Symphony No. 5. From the first trumpet call, to delicate Adagietto, to massive horn anthem, each moment is brimming with emotion.

"A symphony must be like the world. It must contain everything." – Gustav Mahler

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## PRIORITY SEATING

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## SAME SEATS – YOURS FOR THE SEASON!

Keep your 'sweet spot' throughout the season!

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If you are traveling or unable to attend

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## ENHANCE YOUR CONCERT EXPERIENCE

### INSIDE THE MUSIC WITH LAURA JACKSON & CHRIS MORRISON

Enjoy a free, 30-minute pre concert talk by music experts and the maestro starting one hour before each subscription concert in the concert hall!

## PODCAST

**Inside the Music:** The Reno Phil Podcast discusses the concerts, events and other activities of the Reno Philharmonic Orchestra. Laura Jackson, Music Director and Conductor of the Reno Philharmonic Orchestra, and Chris Morrison, the Orchestra's program annotator, are your hosts for informal and informative talks about the music and guest artists for each of the Reno Philharmonic's performances. We'll get into the biographies of the composers, the history of the musical selections, the details of the music itself, and even some behind-the-scenes information about the Orchestra and classical music in general. It's a great way to prepare yourself for actually hearing the Orchestra in concert.

## COME WITH A GROUP

**Groups of 10 or more save!** Music is meant to be shared! Purchase tickets as a group to receive a discounted rate. Groups of 10-19 = 15% off, Groups of 20-29 = 20% off, Groups of 30 or more = 25% off

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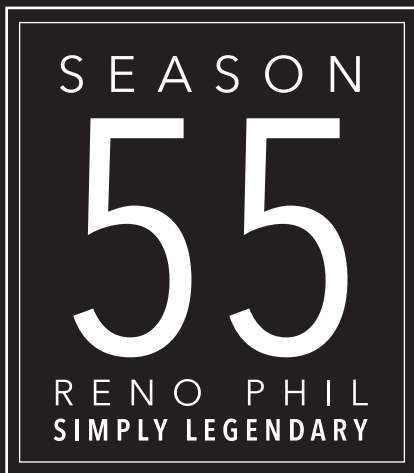
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## SEASON AT A GLANCE

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April 20 & 21, 2024