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Enjoy full season of Kindred Spirits concerts

Tickets for the Kindred Spirits Orchestra's 2012-2013 season are now on sale.

All shows are at Flato Markham Theatre, conducted by Maestro Kristian Alexander and hosted by celebrity Alexa Petrenko from the National Classical 96.3 FM.

Enjoy pre-concert talks, intermission discussions and post-concert complimentary champagne.

Subscribe to the classical music series by Aug. 18 and you have the chance to win a \$150 cash prize.

BRAHMS' MIGHTY FOURTH

Oct. 27 opening night fundraising gala starts at 6 p.m. with Markham Mayor Frank Scarpitti as keynote speaker. Book tickets for the concert only (\$28) or enjoy dinner, raffles, backstage tour and silent auction for \$150 per person, which also includes concert admission and membership in the KSO Friends club. At 8 p.m. immerse yourself into Wagner's Prelude to The Master Singers from Nuremberg, Mendelssohn's violin concerto with Joelle Kee and Brahms' Symphony No. 4.

HANDEL'S GLORIOUS MESSIAH

Dec. 15 at 7:30 p.m. showcases internationally renowned soloists and Village Voices choir in Handel's immortal oratorio Messiah orchestrated by Mozart.

BEETHOVEN, SCHUMANN

Feb. 16 at 8 p.m., French Canadian pianist Bernard Maxim makes his début with Schumann's piano concerto. Also in the programme are Beethoven's overture to Fidelo and Mendelssohn's Scottish symphony.

MAHLER'S DAS LIED

March 30 concert at 8 p.m. features cellist Rachel Mercer in Tchai-kovsky's Variations on a Rococo Theme, as well as Wagner's Prelude to Parsifal and Mahler's Das Lied von der Erde (The Song of the Earth by Chinese poet Li Bei) with soprano Andrea Ludwig and tenor Keith Lassen.

SIBELIUS' VIOLIN CONCERTO

May 5 at 2 p.m. enjoy Lutoslawski's Symphonic Variations, Jan Sibelius' violin concerto with international star Mark Djokic and Stavinsky's Symphony No. 1.

MENDELSSOHN'S LAST SYMPHONY

The concert season will close June 27 at 8 p.m. with Fauré's Pavane (featuring Village Voices), Brahms' concerto for piano No. 2 with Darrett Zusko and Mendelssohn's Reformation symphony.

Packages are available from \$42.

Visit ksorchestra.com or call Markham Theatre at 905-305-7469 to book tickets.