



# KINDRED SPIRITS ORCHESTRA

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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **BENEFIT CONCERT IN SUPPORT OF RELIEF EFFORTS IN JAPAN FOLLOWING THE DEVASTATING EARTHQUAKE ON MARCH, announced by the Kindred Spirits Orchestra**

**April 26, 2011, MARKHAM** – The Kindred Spirits Orchestra under the Honorary Patronage of Mayor Frank Scarpitti of Markham has announced a benefit concert in support of relief efforts in Japan following the devastating earthquake on March 11 and the subsequent tsunamis and aftershocks. The concert will take place on April 30, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. at CBC Glenn Gould Studio under the baton of Maestro Kristian Alexander, Music Director of the Kindred Spirits Orchestra. In the programme are included: Beethoven’s “Pastoral” Symphony No. 6, one Mozart’s greatest piano concerti, No. 24 in C minor, performed by Darett Zusko, Mozart’s Overture to *The Abduction from Seraglio* and Divertimento for strings by the Canadian composer Gary Kulesha. Maestro Kristian Alexander and the musicians from the Kindred Spirits Orchestra are donating their fees in support of rebuilding Japan. All proceeds from the concert will also be donated to disaster relieve fund to aid the victims of the Tohoku Kanto earthquake in Japan. Tickets for the concert can be purchased through Roy Thomson Hall Box Office at 416.872.4255 or at [www.RoyThomson.com](http://www.RoyThomson.com).

For more information about the Kindred Spirits Orchestra, visit [www.KSORchestra.ca](http://www.KSORchestra.ca).

For more information about Maestro Kristian Alexander, visit [www.KristianAlexander.com](http://www.KristianAlexander.com).

The Kindred Spirits Orchestra thanks its supporters: Cultural Strategic Investment Fund of Ontario, the Ontario Cultural Attractions Fund, the Ontario Ministry of Culture, the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, the Ontario Tourism Marketing Partnership Association, the SOCAN Foundation, the Town of Markham through the Frederic Horsman Varley Art Gallery and the Markham Theatre for the Performing Arts, as well as the main sponsor of the Markham New Music Festival: the International Music Academy.

During the 2011 | 2012 concert season, the Kindred Spirits Orchestra, Markham’s only symphony, will present 5 subscription concerts at Markham Theatre for the Performing Arts as well as 3 educational and community outreach events, including Markham New Music Festival, North York Music Festival, and Unionville Canada Day Celebration.

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