

THEATRE RAYMOND KABBAZ PRESENTS

THE LOS ANGELES VIRTUOSI ORCHESTRA

"Sensational Strings"



CONDUCTED BY CARLO PONTI

SEPTEMBER 30th AT 8PM



PROGRAM

Of the night

The Los Angeles Virtuosi Orchestra rings in their exciting 8th season at the Theatre Raymond Kabbaz with two emerging violin soloists' dazzling artistry gracing Johann Sebastian Bach's evergreen Concerto for 2 violins in D minor, bookended by orchestral favorites by Camille Saint-Saens and Josef Suk.

C. SAINT-SAENS - SARABANDE, OP.93

**J.S. BACH – CONCERTO FOR 2 VIOLINS IN D
MINOR, BWV 1043**

James Birch, Violin
Rachael Kim, Violin

**JOSEF SUK – SERENADE FOR STRINGS IN
E-FLAT MAJOR, OP.6**

(Concert without intermission)



BIOGRAPHY



Carlo Ponti, Conductor

Maestro Carlo Ponti is the founder of LAV, prior to which he was the music director and principal conductor of the San Bernardino Symphony, and Associate Conductor of the Russian National Orchestra. He has also worked at the Conductor's Institute in Connecticut under Harold Farberman, with Andrey Boreyko, Mehli Mehta and Zubin Mehta in Los Angeles, and furthered his musical studies in Austria at the Vienna Music Academy under Leopold Hager and Erwin Acel. Maestro Ponti was awarded Italy's Premio Galileo award in 2006 for exceptional musical achievement. In 2011 he was co-recipient of the Lupa di Roma prize in Rome, and received the Premio Civitas 2014 award in Naples, Italy.



The Los Angeles Virtuosi Orchestra

The Los Angeles Virtuosi Orchestra (LAV) is an orchestra of professional musicians dedicated to the advocacy and support of music education, envisioning a world in which every young person has access to music education. Founded in 2013 as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization by Maestro Carlo Ponti, the ensemble was formed on the core belief that an orchestra is a unique educational resource. LAV's mission is to serve as a catalyst in supporting music education through collaborative partnerships with the community, schools, agencies, and other arts organizations, and by allocating 100% of net income from performances to support and develop the study of music.

VIRTUOSI

Biographies



James Birch

Competition highlights include accolades at the 2019 Zhuhai International Mozart competition, the First Prize at the 2020 London Grand Prize Virtuoso International Music Competition – selected to play at Royal Albert Hall, the Royal Academy of Music’s Grand Prize, New Talent Award at the 2021 British International Youth Music Competition & Festival, First Prize at the 2022 ISA Young Musician of the Year, and the 2022 Hattori Foundation Junior Award.

Rachael Kim

She has performed throughout the United States, including at the Aspen String Showcase, LACMA Sundays Live and EMMI Recital Series, and recently won the 45th Edith Knox Young Artist Competition, as well as the Elizabeth Mandell and ASTA Competitions.



THE ORCHESTRA

VIOLIN I

YuEun Kim, *concertmaster*
Yihuan Zhao, *associate concertmaster*
Shelly Ren, *assistant concertmaster*
Ruzanna Sargsyan
Dimitry Olevsky
Elizabeth Dickenson

VIOLIN II

Tina Qu, *princípal*
Sheng-Ching Hsu, *asst. princípal*
Anna Mocek
Daphne Tsao
Samantha Lee
Michelina Wright

VIOLA

Matt Nabours, *princípal*
Laura Jesson
Alison Perrine
Patrick Marsh

CELLO

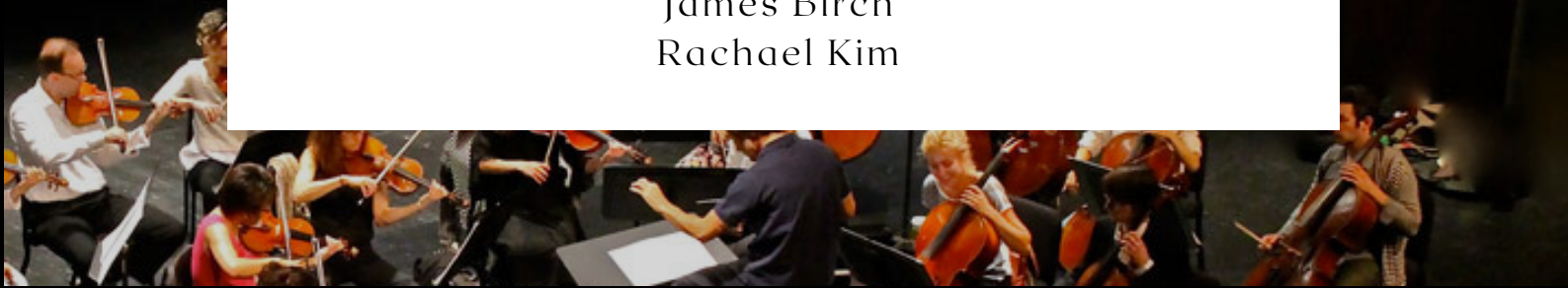
Garik Terzian
Pola Benke
Simon Vitucci

BASS

Stephanie Payne, *princípal*
Nick Leonard

SOLOISTS

James Birch
Rachael Kim



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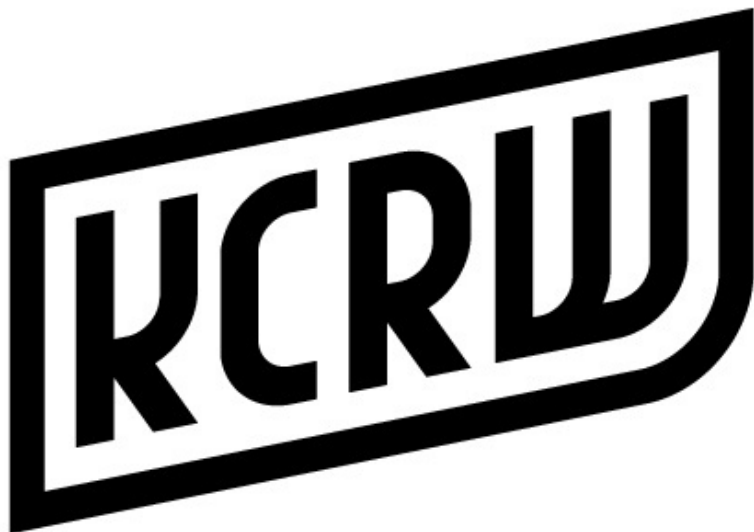


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SECRET FIRES

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8pm



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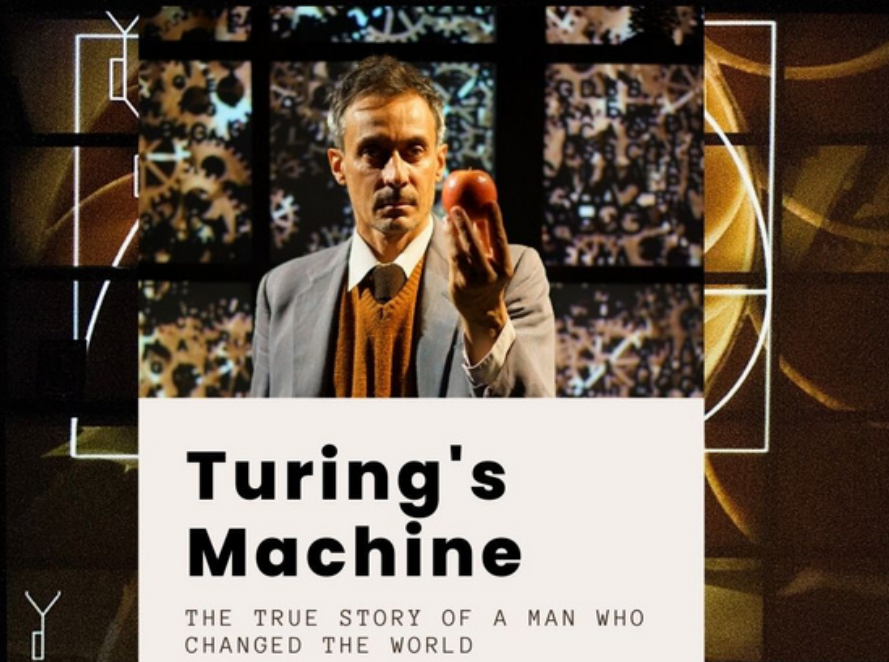
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Events



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French Comedy

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Theatre Raymond Kabbaz

THE LOST FINGERS

WITH JOHN
JORGENSEN

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8PM

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