# LIVERMORE-AMADOR SYMPHONY LARA WEBBER, MUSIC DIRECTOR & CONDUCTOR 2018–2019

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### Joy, Pathos, and Passion Saturday December 1, 2018

**Concert, 8:15 p.m.** (No Prelude talk—holiday parade day)

Bernstein: Candide Overture

Fauré: Pelléas and Mélisande

Brahms: Symphony No. 2

Join us as we open our concert season with music full of love in all its many moods. We begin with Leonard Bernstein's joyful *Candide* Overture, brimming with bright, energetic exuberance. The music of French composer Gabriel Fauré captures the tragic love story of *Pelléas et Mélisande*. Finally, Johannes Brahms' sunny second symphony surrounds us with music full of passionate expression and unrestrained joy.

## **Colorful Characters** Saturday February 23, 2019

Prelude talk, 7–7:30 p.m. Concert, 8 p.m.

Rossini: William Tell Overture

Copland: Billy the Kid Suite

Plus solos by the winners of the 2018–2019 Competition for Young Musicians



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Bernstein

Few composers had more success in their youth than the legendary Gioachino Rossini. His overture to *William Tell* takes us on a vivid journey from sunrise through a dramatic storm to meet our hero galloping into battle. The famous overture concludes with the most recognizable music of all time, known to many as the theme from *The Lone Ranger*. Aaron Copland introduces us to a real legend of the American West, Billy the Kid. Copland's evocative music brings together fragments of real cowboy tunes within expansive harmonies that conjure up the western frontier. Come hear these stories and meet the talented winners of our Competition for Young Musicians.

## Dramatic Dvořák Saturday April 13, 2019

Prelude talk, 7-7:30 p.m. Concert, 8 p.m.

Rimsky-Korsakov: Capriccio espagnol

G. Kahn: Cello Concerto

Dvořák: Rondo for Cello and Orchestra

Dvořák: Symphony No. 7



The dazzling color and vibrance of Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov's *Capriccio espagnol* launches us on a dramatic evening of expressive detail. We welcome cellist Evan Kahn, a musician of exceptional warmth whose playing is described as "electrifying, nuanced, and colorful." He is featured in two works, introducing us to music of his father, then diving into Antonín Dvořák's delightful Rondo for Cello and Orchestra. We close with Dvořák's compelling and passionate Symphony No. 7.

# Classical Contrasts Saturday June 1, 2019





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#### **Bankhead Theater**



Prelude talk, 7–7:30 p.m. Concert, 8 p.m. Stravinsky: Suite No. 2 for chamber orchestra Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 4 Schumann: Symphony No. 4

We are thrilled to welcome back to Livermore the exceptional pianist Gwendolyn Mok, who has graced many of the world's leading concert halls.

Ludwig van Beethoven's Fourth Piano Concerto is perhaps his most intimate and poetic, creating a unique dialogue between soloist and orchestra. The inventive, wacky, and wonderful music of Igor Stravinsky opens this evening of contrasting musical styles. Robert Schumann's romantic Symphony No. 4 brings our season to a dramatic finish with a beautiful journey from darkness to light.

# The audience and performers are invited to enjoy a sparkling wine reception, hosted by the Livermore-Amador Symphony Guild, in the lobby after each concert.

#### Programs subject to change.



The Livermore-Amador Symphony Guild is underwriting the cost of providing a harp player at LAS concerts during the 2018–2019 season.

The membership of the Livermore-Amador Symphony Association is composed of adult season ticket subscribers, volunteer orchestra members, and donors of \$50 or more.

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