

# Silicon Valley Symphony

Brian Bensing, flute soloist

Michael Paul Gibson, music director and conductor

Friday 18 March 2011 7:30 pm

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Menlo Park Saturday 19 March 2011 7:30 pm

Saint Marks Episcopal Church, Palo Alto

Ticket Donation \$20/\$15/Children 12 and under free with adult

### **PROGRAM**

## Symphony No. 41 in C Major, KV 551 "Jupiter" (1788)

by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

- 1. Allegro vivace
- 2. Andante cantabile
- 3. Menuetto (Allegretto)
- 4. Molto allegro

#### Intermission

## Fantasia on "Greensleeves" (1934)

by Ralph Vaughan Williams

## Concerto for Flute and Orchestra, Op. 32 (1992)

by Lowell Liebermann

- 1. Moderato
- 2. Molto adagio
- 3. Presto

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Brian Bensing's unique flute playing has inspired and entertained audiences throughout the United States and abroad. He is a flutist "with a style all his own," writes world-renowned flutist and composer Gary Schocker. Brian has been heard in such prestigious venues as the Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall with the Monokrome Flute

Quartet, receiving brilliant reviews. He also played flute and piccolo for the Orquesta Sinfonico in Monterrey, Mexico, and in 1999 won the concerto competition at San Jose State University. Preferring to specialize in contemporary music, Mr. Bensing has released his debut CD entitled New, which contains several premiere works. At the 2002 National Flute Association Convention in Washington , D.C., he was featured in a performance of the C.P.E. Bach Sonata in A minor (the "Ghost" version) with flutist/composer Gary Schocker. He can also be heard on the motion picture soundtrack for Bounty. Mr. Bensing currently teaches throughout the Bay Area and plays principal flute with the Silicon Valley Symphony.



Michael Paul Gibson is the Music Director, Conductor and founder of the Silicon Valley Symphony. Maestro Gibson is one of the most versatile and experienced conductors in the Bay Area since 1975. Founder of the Silicon Valley Symphony he was previously music director of the Foothill Orchestra, the founding music director of the Menlo Park Chorus, and music director at the Presbyterian Church of Los Gatos. He has conducted numerous ensembles ranging from symphony orchestras to church choirs and last year in a new collaboration between the Silicon Valley Symphony and the San Jose Dance Theater he conducted Tchaikovsky's

Nutcracker Ballet at the San Jose Center for the Performing Arts. In addition to conducting, his expertise in recording and editing audio and video makes it possible via his company BACH to Music to hear and watch the Silicon Valley Symphony on its website (siliconvalleysymphony.net).

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Eri Ishiqaki\* Katja Battarbee Janie Wiens Hilda Hodges Aryn Krijnen Charlotte Leary

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Cello

Scott Krijnen\* Grace Worthington Debra Fenzel-Ålexander Jonathan Humphries Ruth Kim

Bass

Robert Woodcock\* Aaron Shual James Schulz

Flute

Brian Bensing\* Amy Streeper Lindsay Driemeyer

Piccolo

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Oboe

Claudia Engel\* Lorna Kohler

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Clarinet

Laura Vandenbogaart\* Jerry McBride

**Bass Clarinet** Jerry McBride Bassoon

Lettie Smith\* Ron Bobb Matthew Thornton

Contra Bassoon

Ron Bobb

Horn

Armando Castellano\* Nathan Huie

Trumpet

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