

# Silicon Valley Symphony

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### Silicon Valley Symphony “Flute & Fantasia” Concert

WHO: Silicon Valley Symphony

WHAT: “Flute & Fantasia” Concert

**2 Performances:**

WHEN: 7:30 PM, Friday, March 18, 2011

WHERE: Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 5301 330 Ravenswood Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025

WHEN: 7:30 PM, Saturday, March 19, 2011

WHERE: Saint Mark’s Episcopal Church, 600 Colorado Avenue, Palo Alto, CA 94306

TICKETS: \$20 general, \$15 Senior/Student; Children age 12 and younger FREE with adult

\*available from orchestra members; on our website; and at the door before the concert.

WEBSITE: [www.siliconvalleysymphony.net](http://www.siliconvalleysymphony.net)

PARKING: FREE Parking

The Silicon Valley Symphony is proud to present our “**Flute & Fantasia**” Concert in Menlo Park at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church on Friday, March 18, 2011, at 7:30 PM. AND in Palo Alto at Saint Mark’s Episcopal Church, on Saturday, March 19, 2011, at 7:30 PM. Ticket donation is \$20 general and \$15 seniors and students; children age 12 and younger are FREE with an adult.

This will be a great concert! Maestro Michael Paul Gibson leads the Silicon Valley Symphony in our first performance of Mozart’s last symphony, “Symphony No. 41 in C Major the ‘Jupiter’.” Next, delight in Vaughan Williams’ “Fantasia on Greensleeves.” Then you are in for an even greater treat! Our fabulous principal flutist, Brian Bensing, plays the incredible “Concerto for Flute and Orchestra” by the remarkable American composer Lowell Liebermann. Liebermann crafts an “audience-friendly” stunning piece that “bursts with optimistic, tuneful melodies and glittering, dramatic climaxes (*BBC Music Magazine* – 5 stars).” “The harmonies are savory, the scoring luminous – and, yes, you can hum the tunes (*TIME Magazine*).” “It’s the kind of music you want to replay immediately after hearing it for the first time (*Dallas Morning News*).”

These reviews from great publications are not wrong! Come and hear it live, played expertly by Brian Bensing. Brian is one of the finest flutists I have ever worked with and I am sure he is one of the finest flutists in our area, if not the West. Brian has donated his services for the past 7 years as one of our excellent volunteer musicians. Please plan to attend and witness Brian playing this “substantial and rewarding score that its fans are increasingly convinced is one of the best such works of the 20<sup>th</sup> century (*Classical Voice of North Carolina*).”

Don’t miss this one! The acoustics in both churches are stunning and enhance your performance experience. We hope you can attend.

You can get complete concert information and program notes on our website at: [www.siliconvalleysymphony.net](http://www.siliconvalleysymphony.net)

We hope to see you, your children, family and friends in the audience. You can purchase tickets online, from orchestra members, or at the door 30 minutes prior to the performance. Advance ticket holders will be allowed entrance 45 minutes prior to the performance – to get the best seats. No reserved seats. Seating is first come, first served.

The SVS is sponsored by the Bay Area Music Foundation and sponsored in part by Foothill Presbyterian Church, and Foothill College Performing Arts Alliance.

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