

Silicon Valley Symphony

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Silicon Valley Symphony ‘Organ’ic Composition Concert

WHO: Silicon Valley Symphony

WHAT: ‘Organ’ic Composition Concert

2 Performances:

WHEN: 7:30 PM, Friday, May 17, 2013

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

WHEN: 7:30 PM, Saturday, May 18, 2013

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

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: <http://www.siliconvalleysymphony.net/Concerts/Spring/spring.html>

PARKING: FREE parking at both churches

For the Grand Finale of our 2012 – 2013 Season, the Silicon Valley Symphony is proud to feature the Pipe Organ - King of Instruments. We begin with the World Premiere performance of “An American Experience – Reflections on a Theme” by organist and composer Lothar Bandermann. The piece was originally written for pipe organ and is presented for the first time ever as an orchestral composition. “Enigma Variations” is Edward Elgar's best-known large-scale composition, for both the music itself and the enigmas behind it. Elgar dedicated the piece to "my friends pictured within," each of the 14 variations being an affectionate portrayal of one of his circle of close acquaintances – the piece includes a part for pipe organ. Finally, Margaret Martin Kvamme is organ soloist in the “Organ Symphony” of Camille Saint-Saëns. Arguably the artistic zenith of his career, this symphony bursts forth with the glorious sound of pipe organ combined with piano and orchestra, a thrill like no other in all of classical music.

Maestro Michael Paul Gibson will conduct two performances of our ‘Organ’ic Composition – first in Palo Alto at Saint Mark’s Episcopal Church, on Friday evening, May 17, 2013, at 7:30 PM; then in Menlo Park at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church on Saturday, May 18, 2013, also at 7:30 PM. Ticket donation is \$20 general and \$15 for seniors and students; children age 12 and younger are FREE with an adult. Tickets are available online. Please visit our website:

www.siliconvalleysymphony.net

The excellent pipe organs along with the acoustics in both churches are stunning and will enhance your enjoyment of the music. Please put the concert on your calendar, make plans to attend, and bring your family and friends! This concert is one of the Bay Area’s best bargains in classical music, as our Board of Directors voted down a ticket price increase this season. Get your tickets now and arrive early for the best seats. (Seating is not reserved.)

You can get complete concert information and program notes on our website at www.siliconvalleysymphony.net

We hope to see you and your children, family, and friends in the audience. You can purchase tickets online, from orchestra members, or at the door up to 30 minutes prior to the performance. Advance ticket holders will be allowed entrance 45 minutes prior to the performance, to get the best seats, as there is no reserved seating.

The SVS is sponsored by the Bay Area Music Foundation.

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