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our *65th*
season

2011/12 CONCERTS WITH MAESTRO PETER LIPARI

Where words fail, music speaks...

Hans Christian Andersen

65 years of great music

Founded in La Grange Park in 1947, the West Suburban Symphony invites you to eight spectacular 2011-12 concerts, all led by the dynamic Maestro Peter Lipari.

In our 65th season, we offer you an unbeatable musical value: vibrant performances of music you'll love, friendly concert atmospheres, and convenient venues – with new, earlier concert starting times. Come and hear why our performances sweep our audiences to their feet!

chamberconcerts

Enjoy beautiful music for small ensembles – from brass quintets to 35-piece orchestras – at three very special, intermission-free Sunday afternoon concerts. These performances begin at 3:30 p.m. and last about an hour:



- ▶ **Musical Montage**, September 25
at First United Methodist Church of La Grange
- ▶ **Mozart's Requiem**, November 13
at York High School, Elmhurst
- ▶ **Classical Treasures**, April 22
at First United Methodist Church of La Grange

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THE DATE
**2012 Benefit
DINNER-DANCE**
February 25, 2012

Musical Montage

This unique concert showcases the elemental sounds of music – strings, woodwinds, brass, and voice – as expressed by composers from 1721 to today: *Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 4* and Rutter's suite of English folksongs for strings and harpsichord ... brass quintets by Americans Bernstein and Ewazen ... D'Indy's *Chanson et Dances* for woodwind septet ... and Hinsdale composer Allan Peterson's *Requiem for a Tree* for women's chorus and harp.

Mozart's Requiem

Powerful. Moving. Ethereal. Many composers have written works based on the requiem mass, but few such compositions are as beloved as Mozart's - alternately gentle, fiery, and regal. Our November chamber concert presents this masterpiece of sublime choral song and instrumental brilliance that has enchanted listeners for more than 200 years.

Classical Treasures

While working in London in the early 1790s, Haydn wrote his Symphonies 93-104: a dozen enduringly popular works, all imbued with a sense of wit and joy. This spring concert presents Haydn's landmark 102nd symphony – complemented by Mendelssohn's *Fair Melusine Overture* and orchestral selections from three operas: Verdi's *La Traviata*, Rossini's *William Tell*, and Mozart's *La Clemenza di Tito*.



Join Maestro Lipari and our performers at the West Suburban Symphony's 2012 dinner-dance benefit, Saturday, February 25, at the elegant new Marriott in Burr Ridge. Enjoy a great meal and the music of the Matt Stedman Band at this gala event with terrific auction and raffle prizes. Tickets are \$75. For details, write to info@westsubsymphony.org or call 630-887-7464.

symphonicconcerts

Experience the grandeur of symphonic music at five concerts in a traditional two-hour format with intermission. Four Sunday concerts begin at 3:30 p.m. and our Saturday concert in May begins at 7:30 p.m.:



- ▶ **Out of this World**, October 16
at St. Joseph Chapel, La Grange Park
- ▶ **Songs of the Season**, December 11
at Hinsdale Central High School
- ▶ **Showboat and Porgy & Bess**,
February 12 at York High School, Elmhurst
- ▶ **Brahms**, March 18
at Westmont High School
- ▶ **Voyagers**, May 19 (Saturday)
at Hinsdale Central High School

Out of This World

Leave the everyday behind with our October concert's powerful symphonic visions of fantasy, science fiction and astrology: Holst's brilliant orchestral suite *The Planets* – with its musical images of the character of Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune – along with the memorable themes from *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, *E.T.*, and *Pirates of the Caribbean*.



The West Suburban Symphony gratefully acknowledges the financial support of the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency.

Songs of the Season

Capture the wonder of the holidays at our family-friendly December concert, with all your favorite carols and a jolly visitor from the North Pole. You'll also hear a rare performance of Conni Ellisor's critically acclaimed *Blackberry Winter* for mountain dulcimer and strings plus Alexander Glazunov's *Autumn and Winter*, two vivid musical pictures of nature.

Showboat and Porgy & Bess

Gershwin's American folk opera *Porgy & Bess* and Kern and Hammerstein's *Showboat*, the first American musical, made history in the 1920s and 1930s. At our February concert, you'll delight in the classic songs from these shows, including *Ol' Man River*, *You Are Love*, *It Ain't Necessarily So*, and *Summertime*.

Brahms

Brahms' *Symphony No. 1* is one of the most riveting and profoundly emotional symphonies ever written. This beautiful work anchors our March concert, introduced by the rollicking *Slavonic Dances* that established Dvorak as a leading composer and the rousing overture to Rossini's opera *Semiramide*. The winner of our annual solo competition for young musicians will also perform at this concert.

Voyagers

Richard Strauss said his magnificent tone poem, *Also Sprach Zarathustra*, conveyed "the development of the human race from its origin ... up to Nietzsche's idea of the Superman." Its majestic opening, "Sunrise," introduces the iconic first scene of the movie *2001 A Space Odyssey*. Our May concert pairs Strauss's epic work with popular music inspired by travelers in and on the seas, including Hovhannes's *And God Created Great Whales* and Mendelssohn's *Fingal's Cave Overture*.



how to buy tickets



ADVANCE TICKETS AND DISCOUNTS

Create your own ticket package and save money when you buy your tickets in advance. See order form or our website for details. All tickets are general admission. Discounts are not offered at the box office, so order early to take advantage of this offer!

Advance tickets are available in three ways:

- ▶ **By Mail** P.O. Box 565, Hinsdale, IL 60522 (check or credit card)
- ▶ **Online** www.westsubsymphony.org (credit card)
- ▶ **By Phone** 630.887.7464 (credit card)

Phone sales end 48 hours, and web sales 24 hours, before each concert. We charge a nominal processing fee for credit card sales. Ticket orders received less than 10 days before a concert will be held for you at the box office. You can exchange your tickets for another date, subject to availability. No refunds.

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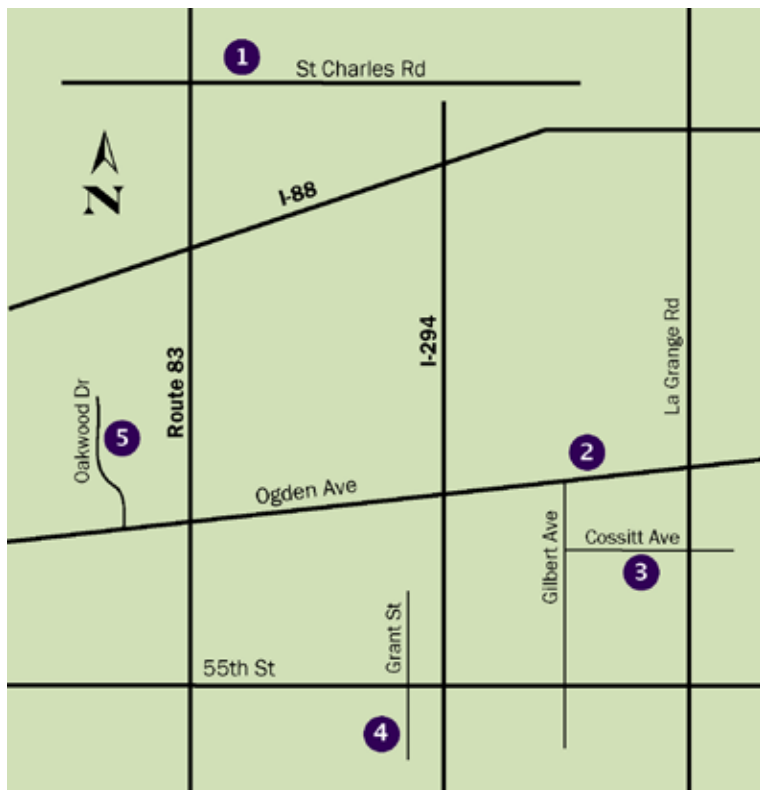
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convenient concert venues

Our concert venues are close to major roads and offer free parking, comfortable seating, excellent acoustics, and wheelchair access. Seating begins 30 minutes before each concert.



- 1 York High School, Elmhurst**
355 W St Charles Rd: 6 min north of Oakbrook Shopping Center
- 2 St. Joseph Chapel, La Grange Park**
1515 W Ogden Ave: 3 min west of La Grange Rd
- 3 First United Methodist Church of La Grange**
Cossitt & Ashland Aves: 2 min southwest of La Grange Rd & Ogden Ave
- 4 Hinsdale Central High School**
55th & Grant Sts: 5 minutes east of Rt 83
- 5 Westmont High School**
909 Oakwood Dr: 5 minutes northwest of Rt 83 and Ogden Ave

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1 ticket for each of 8 concerts

Available through Sept 22 by phone or mail

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Senior - \$104		\$
Season Total		\$

holiday package

1 December ticket + 1 ticket to each of two other concerts

Packages available through Dec 8 by phone or mail

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Type	Price per Ticket		Number of Tickets per Concert Date								Total Cost	
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3 senior tickets for Oct 16 + 2 senior tickets for Nov 13 = 5 senior tickets @ \$15, or \$75 total

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West Suburban Symphony ▶ Bringing the world's best music to Chicago's western suburbs for 65 years