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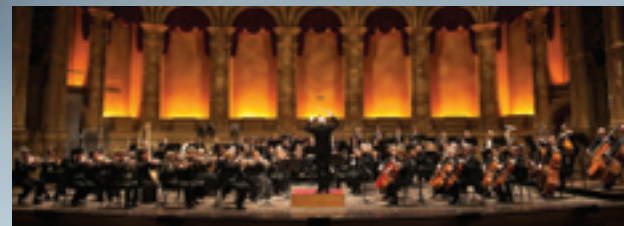
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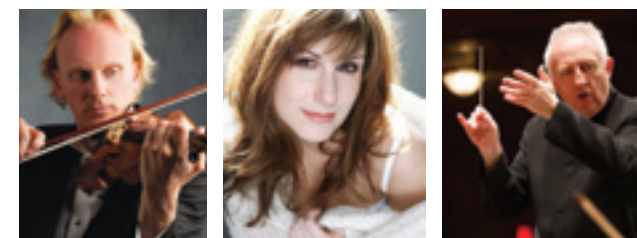
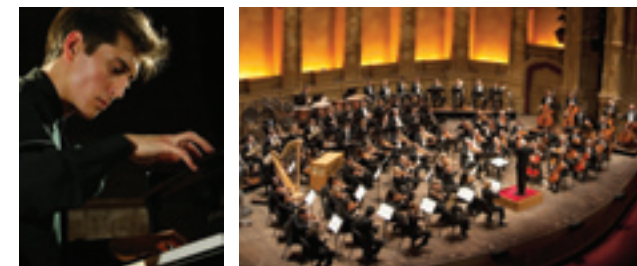
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## 1 PETER AND THE WOLF!

Saturday, February 4, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre

Who cried “wolf?!” Not **Prokofiev!** His amazing fantasia on the classic tale of *Peter and the Wolf* is an extraordinary orchestral showcase in the grand Russian tradition. The epic Russian theme continues throughout this concert, with music by **Stravinsky**, **Tchaikovsky**, and **Glazunov** – all under the baton of **Maestro Bramwell Tovey**, who will also narrate the story of *Peter and the Wolf* in his inimitable style!

## 2 JOHN LILL PLAYS BEETHOVEN

Saturday & Monday, February 18 & 20, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre

**Bramwell Tovey** conducts **John Lill**, one of the world’s leading interpreters of Beethoven, in a performance of **Beethoven’s** stormy, Romantic *Piano Concerto No. 4*. A profound and highly personal musical statement, **Elgar’s** beautiful and intense *Symphony No. 2* is described as “the passionate pilgrimage of the soul.”

**BUHR** Jyotir  
**BEETHOVEN** Piano Concerto No. 4  
**ELGAR** Symphony No. 2

## 3 VSO POPS: WICKED DIVAS!

Friday & Saturday, March 2 & 3, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre

Broadway new and old, with **New York Pops** Conductor **Steven Reineke**, and the original stars of the long-running Broadway show *Wicked*. You’ll hear popular selections from *Ragtime*, *Titanic*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Wicked* – even a selection from Monty Python’s *Spamalot!* – in a concert featuring Broadway’s top talents, **Stephanie J. Block** and **Julia Murney**.

## 4 A ROMAN CARNIVAL!

Saturday, March 10, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre  
 Sunday, March 11, 2pm, Orpheum Theatre

One of the most sought-after pianists of his generation, **Benjamin Grosvenor** makes his VSO debut performing **Ravel’s** luscious *Piano Concerto in G Major*. This delicious concert is all about exquisite French music, under the baton of **VSO Assistant Conductor Pierre Simard**.

**DUKAS** The Sorcerer’s Apprentice  
**RAVEL** Piano Concerto in G Major  
**BERLIOZ** Roman Carnival  
**BIZET** L’Arlésienne Suite No. 1 & 2

## 5 PETER SERKIN AND BRAHMS

Saturday & Monday, March 17 & 19, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre

**Peter Serkin** is a piano legend, an artist with exquisitely-refined technique and unsurpassed depths of musicality. He tackles the monumental, breathtaking **Brahms** *Piano Concerto No. 1* in a performance sure to be remembered long afterward. **Jun Markl** conducts.

**WAGNER** The Flying Dutchman: Overture  
**BRAHMS** Piano Concerto No. 1  
**SCHUMANN** Symphony No. 3

## 6 LET’S DANCE

Friday & Saturday, April 13 & 14, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre

A very special Symphony Pops concert created by **Principal Pops Conductor Jeff Tyzik** and **Carla Heiney**, 2010 *National Jitterbug Champ* and choreographer for the hit TV show, *So You Think You Can Dance*. Heiney and other top professional dancers will dance Swing, Waltz, Latin, Ballroom and Tap to the lush, full sounds of the **Vancouver Symphony Orchestra**.

## 7 BACH AND MENDELSSOHN, WITH DALE BARLTROP

Friday & Saturday, April 20 & 21, 8pm, Chan Centre, UBC

**VSO Concertmaster Dale Barltrop** conducts and performs in this exceptional concert that features some of the most beautiful and popular music ever written for string orchestra. You will be entranced by **Mendelssohn’s** sublime *Octet*, and **Bach’s** *Violin Concerto No. 2* and *Brandenburg Concerto No. 3*.

## 8 GILBERT & SULLIVAN’S TRIAL BY JURY

Saturday, April 28, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre  
 Sunday, April 29, 2pm, Orpheum Theatre

Critically-acclaimed pianist **Peter Longworth** is a concert pianist of power and grace. He will perform **John Ireland’s** beautiful impressionist *Piano Concerto*, in a program highlighted by **Gilbert & Sullivan’s** hilarious one act comic opera *Trial by Jury*, with G&S specialist **Richard Suart** – and of course, **Maestro Bramwell Tovey**.

## 9 BRAHMS AND DVOŘÁK, WITH JAN VOGLER

Saturday & Monday, May 5 & 7, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre

Known for his heart-on-his-sleeve style of playing, **Jan Vogler** performs the greatest concerto for cello and orchestra in a concert that also showcases the most beautiful of the four amazing symphonies written by **Johannes Brahms**. **Christoph Koenig** conducts.

**WEBER** Der Freischütz: Overture  
**DVOŘÁK** Cello Concerto  
**BRAHMS** Symphony No. 2

## 10 VSO POPS: ESSENTIAL BRASS WITH ALLEN VIZZUTTI

Friday & Saturday, May 11 & 12, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre

Internationally-acclaimed as one of the world’s very best trumpet players, **Allen Vizzutti** makes his much-anticipated return to the Orpheum stage with conductor **Jeff Tyzik**, performing an eclectic concert that includes *Carnival of Venice*, *Aventure Español*, *An American Jazz Suite*, selections from **Gershwin’s** *Porgy and Bess*, **Copland’s** *Fanfare for the Common Man*, and more!

## 11 THE MAGNIFICENT MUSIC OF BACH AND MOZART

Friday & Saturday, May 18 & 19, 8pm, Chan Centre, UBC

The magnificent music of **Johann Sebastian Bach**, his son **CPE Bach**, and **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart** fills the air, with conductor/pianist **Jeffrey Kahane**. Maestro Kahane performs **JS Bach’s** *Concerto No. 1 in D minor* and **Mozart’s** breathtaking *Piano Concerto No. 25*, in a concert that also features the beautiful sounds of **Respighi’s** *Gli Uccelli (The Birds)*.

## 12 YEVGENY SUDBIN!

Saturday & Monday, May 26 & 28, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre

**Yevgeny Sudbin** is a shooting star, and his passionate, thrilling performances take audience’s collective breath away and leave critics searching for superlatives. He performs one of **Mozart’s** most important (and brilliant) concertos, in a concert that also features the lush, beautiful music of **Claude Debussy**. Conducted by **Kazuyoshi Akiyama**.

**MOZART** The Magic Flute: Overture  
**MOZART** Piano Concerto No. 24  
**DEBUSSY** L’isle joyeuse  
**DEBUSSY** La Mer

## 13 LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS

Wednesday, May 30, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre

*Last Night of the Proms* is an exciting concert tradition that began at London’s Royal Albert Hall in 1895. **Maestro Bramwell Tovey**, the **Vancouver Symphony Orchestra** and the **Vancouver Bach Choir** proudly uphold that tradition in a fun and fantastic concert featuring *Pomp & Circumstance*, *Rule Britannia*, *Jerusalem*, and much more!

## 14 A HERO’S LIFE

Saturday & Monday, June 2 & 4, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre

Referred to as “the most sensational young artist to emerge in Canada in a decade,” **Jan Lisiecki** is a superstar in the making. He performs **Schumann’s** delicious *Piano Concerto* in his Vancouver debut, while in the second half, **Maestro Bramwell Tovey** explores the rich treasure trove of music that is *A Hero’s Life* by **Richard Strauss**.

**MASCALL** Manitoulin  
**SCHUMANN** Piano Concerto  
**STRAUSS** Ein Heldenleben

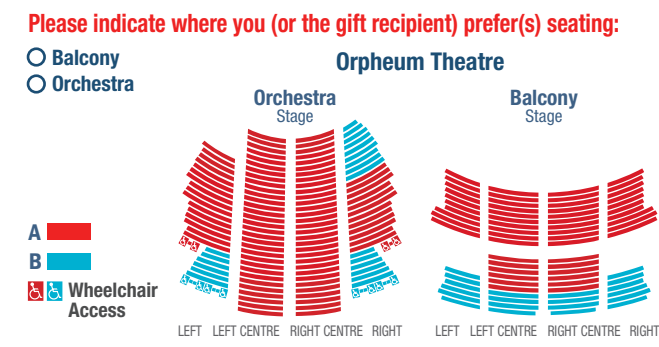
## 15 BRAMWELL TOVEY’S THE INVENTOR

Saturday, & Monday, June 9 & 11, 8pm, Orpheum Theatre

**Maestro Bramwell Tovey’s** new opera *The Inventor* opened at the Calgary Opera in January of 2011 to great critical acclaim. **John Murrell’s** libretto tells the tragic story of **Alexander (“Sandy”) Keith Jr.**, son of the famous brewmaster, with Tovey’s spectacular, dramatic score. The VSO presents the concert version of this new opera, featuring the original cast and, of course, **Maestro Tovey** conducting.

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