



THE OSM AS NEVER SEEN BEFORE - Unveiling of fall concerts 2020

As gatherings of up to 250 people are now permitted in Quebec, the OSM is delighted to be gradually reconnecting with its worldwide audience at the Maison symphonique, beginning in September

The Orchestre symphonique de Montréal is excited to unveil its fall programming. Despite the events of the last months and the necessity to adapt to new circumstances, the OSM has been hard at work to offer concerts beginning on September 11, many of which will be available in digital format.

"In a general climate of uncertainty in which we live, to finally launch our 2020-2021 season with daring artistic vision, as if to foresee the light at the end of a long tunnel, gives us pride. Our offer for the fall of 2020 testifies to our faith in our collective resilience and expresses, once again, our sincere desire to forge and maintain strong ties with our most cherished and loyal public." - Madeleine Careau, Chief Executive Officer, OSM

We look forward to announcing a new date for Maestro Kent Nagano's farewell concert that was to be held last June, but the current hygienic and travel constraints linked to the pandemic are delaying this long-awaited moment.

WEBCASTS OF CONCERTS

Two world-class orchestral conductors will lead 7 concerts of which 5 will be viewable directly via the osm.ca website: from Quebec Bernard Labadie and from Finland Susanna Mälkki! In addition to concerts viewable at osm.ca, 2 concerts will be presented on partner platforms Medici.tv and Mezzo Live HD. The season opening concert webcast by Medici.tv will also be available free of charge on the OSM's Facebook page and website. Please find more information [here](#).

SPOTLIGHT ON BEETHOVEN: featuring local artists!

In connection with the 250th anniversary of Beethoven's birth, the OSM welcomes great Canadian artists with events that will highlight this composer's musical affiliation with another Viennese genius: Mozart! This major celebration spans four programmes conducted by Bernard Labadie and encompassing symphonies, concertos, chamber music and vocal music on the 11, 15, 22 and 29th of September. For this special occasion, the OSM is proud and happy to welcome Canadian soloists Marie-Nicole Lemieux (Artist-in-Residence), Karina Gauvin, James Ehnes and Charles Richard-Hamelin.

THREE CONCERTS WITH FINNISH CONDUCTOR SUSANNA MÄLKKI

The OSM is thrilled to welcome Finnish conductor Susanna Mälkki for a three-concert musical itinerary. The first broadcast will feature one of the Romantic repertoire's masterpieces of sensitivity: Schubert's famous "Unfinished" Symphony (October 2). Theatricality is showcased in the second concert, which opens with Mozart's celebrated Concerto for

clarinet, performed by OSM Principal Clarinet Todd Cope (October 6). For the third concert in the series, Susanna Mälkki will conduct Gustav Holst's *The Planets*, a great classic of symphonic literature that endows each planet with its own musical atmosphere (October 13). These concerts cast their vision on the human Spirit. From humankind's earthly reality to the ideal to which it aspires, as it turns its gaze to the stars.

OTHER CONCERTS THIS FALL

This fall, the OSM also welcomes Finnish conductor John Storgårds, who will direct four programmes featuring symphonies by German composers. 250 spectators will have the opportunity to enjoy arrangements of Bruckner's Symphony no. 7 and Mahler's Symphony no. 10, featuring OSM musicians Andrew Wan, Marianne Dugal and André Moisan. Additionally, Spanish conductor Pablo Heras-Casado will return to the OSM for three concerts, including one with Artist-in-Residence Marie-Nicole Lemieux performing Chausson's *Poème de l'amour et de la mer*. Under the direction of Finnish conductor Dalia Stasevska, the OSM will perform Sibelius' Symphony no. 3, as well as Artist-in-Residence Ana Sokolovic's *Concerto for Orchestra*. Finally, the OSM welcomes for the first time to its stage American conductor Jeannette Sorrell for a Christmas concert of Baroque music.

Please let us know if you need more information about the season.

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