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DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Tito Muñoz, guest conductor

Friday, July 22, 2022 7:30pm, Kresge Auditorium

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Jader Bignamini, Music Director Leonard Slatkin, Music Director Laureate Jeff Tyzik, Principal Pops Conductor

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PROGRAM

Symphonic Variations on an African Air, Op. 63...... Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875-1912)

Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, Op. 64 Piotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky Andante—Allegro con anima (1840-1893)

Andante cantabile con alcuna licenza

Valse: Allegro moderato

Finale: Andante maestoso—Allegro vivace

This concert is dedicated to the memory of Anne Parsons with gratitude for her leadership role in nurturing the partnership between the DSO and Interlochen.

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PROGRAM NOTES

Symphonic Variations on an African Air, Op. 63 Composed 1906

SAMUEL COLERIDGE-TAYLOR

- B. August 15, 1875, Holborn, London, United Kingdom
- D. September 1, 1912, Croydon, United Kingdom

Scored for two flutes, piccolo, two oboes, English horn, two clarinets, two bassoons, four horns, two trumpets, three trombones, tuba, timpani, percussion, harp, and strings. (Approx. 20 minutes)

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor was an English composer, conductor, and political activist who overcame racial prejudice to become one of the most prominent composers of the early 20th century, gaining an especially large following in the United States following three successful tours.

His orchestral work, *Symphonic Variations on an African Air*, composed in 1906, is based on an African American song, "I'm troubled in mind." The work is interestingly structured, achieving a unity and direction rarely found in variation forms. More than eighty years ago the British musicologist Herbert Antcliffe lamented "the infrequency of... performances" of the work that "in size... and... demand for orchestral resources, is the biggest of all Coleridge-Taylor's purely orchestral works." The piece is engaging, with enchanting melodic invention, a harmonic language that is both characteristically chromatic and modally tinged, and a fine sense of orchestral color. As Antcliffe says, "To those who really wish to know Coleridge-Taylor... no single work of his will reveal him more fully." (Excerpts from John L. Snyder)

Symphony No. 5 in E minor, Op. 64

Composed 1888 | Premiered November 1888

PIOTR ILYICH TCHAIKOVSKY

B. May 7, 1840, Votkinsk, Russia

D. November 6, 1893, Saint Petersburg, Russia

Scored for three flutes (one doubling on piccolo), two oboes, two clarinets, two bassoons, four horns, two trumpets, three trombones, tuba, timpani, and strings. (Approx. 47 minutes)

Tchaikovsky's Fifth Symphony is a testament to one of the composer's most enviable talents: his gift for crafting memorable melodies. The symphony was composed at a turning point in Tchaikovsky's life, following a period of little productivity that was largely over-shadowed by his disastrous attempt at marriage. All the composer's symphonies are balancing acts between competing interests. He adamantly believed that the symphony should be an expressive genre, yet he largely followed the kinds of strict formal conventions rejected by his Romantic contemporaries.

While darker than many of his works, the Fifth Symphony represents a significant achievement for Tchaikovsky in that it combines highly expressive music with an ambitious structural plan. The four movements are not only related by key, but also linked through a recurring idea that is heard repeatedly but transformed with each successive appearance.

The first movement begins with an introduction in which the clarinet states the unifying motto theme. The clarinet and bassoon then present the first theme as the tempo accelerates and the movement develops. The ensuing Andante Cantabile, alternating between a somber melody in the horn and a more upbeat passage featuring the oboe, initially presents two contrasting affects that seem to vie for control throughout the movement. After a contrasting middle section, the motto theme makes a brief appearance before a return to the dark opening material and a final statement of the more lighthearted tune. The third movement features a playful waltz that alternates with rapid passages for the strings. Just before its close, the motto theme is heard again, albeit with less ominous overtones than in the previous movement. The long introduction with which the finale begins revisits several ideas from the first movement, including the motto

theme which has been transformed into the major mode—suggesting perhaps that the tragic implications of the work's opening have been overcome.

-Program notes courtesy of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra

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About the DSO

The most accessible orchestra on the planet, the acclaimed Detroit Symphony Orchestra is known for trailblazing performances, collaborations with the world's foremost musical artists, and a deep connection to its city. As a community-supported orchestra, generous giving by individuals and institutions at all levels drives the continued success and growth of the organization. In January 2020, Italian conductor Jader Bignamini was named the DSO's next music director to commence with the 2020-2021 season. Celebrated conductor, arranger, and trumpeter Jeff Tyzik is the orchestra's Principal Pops Conductor, while Oscarnominated trumpeter and composer Terence Blanchard holds the Fred A. Erb Jazz Creative Director Chair.

Making its home at historic Orchestra Hall within the Max M. and Marjorie S. Fisher Music Center, the DSO offers a performance schedule that features PVS Classical, PNC Pops, Paradise Jazz, and Young People's Family Concert series. One of the world's most acoustically perfect concert halls, Orchestra Hall celebrated its centennial in 2019-2020. In addition, the DSO presents the William Davidson Neighborhood Concert Series in seven metro area venues, as well as a robust schedule of eclectic multi-genre performances in its mid-size venue The Cube, constructed and curated with support from Peter D. & Julie F. Cummings.

A dedication to broadcast innovation began in 1922, when the DSO became the first orchestra in the world to present a live radio broadcast of a concert and continues today with the groundbreaking *Live from Orchestra Hall* series of free webcasts, which also reaches tens of thousands of children with the Classroom Edition expansion. With growing attendance and unwavering philanthropic support from the people of Detroit, the DSO actively pursues a mission to embrace and inspire individuals, families, and communities through unsurpassed musical experiences.

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Praised for his versatility, technical clarity, and keen musical insight, **TITO MUÑOZ** is internationally recognized as one of the most gifted conductors on the podium today. Now in his eighth season as the Virginia G. Piper Music Director of The Phoenix Symphony, Muñoz previously served as Music Director of the Opéra National de Lorraine and the Orchestre symphonique et lyrique de Nancy in France. Other prior appointments include Assistant Conductor positions with the Cleveland Orchestra, Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra, and the Aspen Music Festival. Since his tenure in Cleveland, Muñoz has celebrated critically acclaimed successes with the orchestra, among others stepping in for the late Pierre Boulez in 2012 and leading repeated collaborations with the Joffrey Ballet, including the orchestra's first staged performances of

Stravinsky's *Rite of Spring* in the reconstructed original choreography of Vaslav Nijinsky.

Muñoz has appeared with many of the most prominent orchestras in North America, including those of Atlanta, Baltimore, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Detroit, Houston, Indianapolis, and Milwaukee, as well as the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra, Orchestra of St. Luke's, and the National Symphony Orchestra. He also maintains a strong international conducting presence, including engagements with the Frankfurt Radio Symphony, SWR Symphonieorchester, Deutsche Radio Philharmonie Saarbrücken, Mahler Chamber Orchestra, a tour with Orchestre National d'Île de France, Lausanne Chamber Orchestra, BBC Symphony Orchestra, Ulster Orchestra, Danish National Chamber Orchestra, Luxembourg Philharmonic, Opéra Orchestre National Montpellier/A Midsummer Night's Dream, Opéra de Rennes/The Turn of the Screw, Auckland Philharmonia, Sydney Symphony, and Sao Paolo State Symphony.

As a proponent of new music, Muñoz champions the composers of our time through expanded programming, commissions, premieres, and recordings. He has conducted important premieres of works by Christopher Cerrone, Kenneth Fuchs, Dai Fujikura, Michael Hersch, Adam Schoenberg, and Mauricio Sotelo. During his tenure as Music Director of the Opéra National de Lorraine, Muñoz conducted the critically-acclaimed staged premiere of Gerald Barry's opera *The Importance of Being Earnest*. A great advocate of the music of Michael Hersch, he led the world premiere of Hersch's monodrama *On the Threshold of Winter* at the Brooklyn Academy of Music in 2014, followed by the premiere of his Violin Concerto with Patricia Kopatchinskaja and the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra in 2015, a piece they also recorded with the International Contemporary Ensemble on the New Focus label, released in summer 2018. Most recently he gave the world and European premieres of *I hope we get a chance to visit soon* at the Ojai and Aldeburgh Festivals.

A passionate educator, Muñoz regularly visits North America's top conservatories/universities, summer music festivals, and youth orchestras. He has led performances at the Aspen Music Festival, Boston University Tanglewood Institute, Cleveland Institute of Music, Indiana University, Kent/Blossom Music Festival, Music Academy of the West, New England Conservatory, New World Symphony, Oberlin Conservatory, Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto, University of Texas at Austin, and National Repertory Orchestra, as well as a nine-city tour with the St. Olaf College Orchestra. He maintains a close relationship with the Kinhaven Music School, which he attended as a young musician, and now guest conducts there annually. Muñoz also enjoys a regular partnership with Arizona State University where he has held a faculty position and is a frequent guest teacher and conductor.

Born in Queens, New York, Muñoz began his musical training as a violinist in New York City public schools. He attended the LaGuardia High School of the Performing Arts, the Juilliard School's Music Advancement Program, and the Manhattan School of Music Pre-College Division. He furthered his training at Queens College (CUNY) as a violin student of Daniel Phillips. Muñoz received conducting training at the American Academy of Conducting at Aspen where he

studied with David Zinman and Murry Sidlin. He is the winner of the Aspen Music Festival's 2005 Robert J. Harth Conductor Prize and the 2006 Aspen Conducting Prize, returning to Aspen as the festival's Assistant Conductor in the summer of 2007, and later as a guest conductor.

Muñoz made his professional conducting debut in 2006 with the National Symphony Orchestra at the Kennedy Center, invited by Leonard Slatkin as a participant of the National Conducting Institute. That same year, he made his Cleveland Orchestra debut at the Blossom Music Festival. He was awarded the 2009 Mendelssohn Scholarship sponsored by Kurt Masur and the Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy Foundation in Leipzig, and was a prizewinner in the 2010 Sir Georg Solti International Conducting Competition in Frankfurt.

Recent and forthcoming engagements include the premiere of Michael Hersch's *The Script of Storms* with BBC Symphony Orchestra, and Mendelssohn & Beethoven with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in London. U.S. appearances include his debut with New York Philharmonic and concerts with Detroit Symphony, Utah Symphony, Symphony San Jose, and the Orchestra of St Luke's, as well as his regular appearances with Phoenix Symphony throughout the season.

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- § African American Orchestra Fellow

INTERLOCHEN ARTS FESTIVAL UPCOMING HIGHLIGHTS

World Youth Symphony Orchestra: Robert Trevino, conductor Sunday, July 31, 2022 - 7:30 p.m., Kresge Auditorium

Up-and-coming violin soloist Randall Goosby and Basque National Orchestra Music Director Robert Trevino join the World Youth Symphony Orchestra as they perform their fifth concert of the season. The program will include Igor Stravinsky's *The Rite of Spring* and Florence Price's Violin Concerto No. 2, featuring Goosby as soloist.

"Anything Goes"

Music & Lyrics by Cole Porter; Book by Guy Bolton and P.G. Wodehouse August 4, 5, 6, - 7:00 p.m., August 7, 2022 - 2:00 p.m Corson Auditorium Experience high seas hijinks as the students of the High School Musical Theatre Production perform the frothy musical Anything Goes. Featuring music by Cole Porter and a book by Guy Bolton and P.G. Wodehouse, the classic Broadway hit follows the antics of Billy Crocker, a young stowaway who tries to woo a wealthy—and already engaged—heiress during an ocean journey from New York to London. Interlochen Center for the Arts' newly named Director of Musical Theatre Justin Lee Miller helms the production.

For information and tickets, visit tickets.interlochen.org

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