# 2021-2022 SEASON

"A RENAISSANCE OF MUSIC"

#### Classics Concert 1 Sunday, Oct. 3, 2021, 5 PM

Venue: Cash and Carry
Conductor: Chelsea Tipton, II
We want to serenade you
as we open our 64th season
with the Lake Charles
Symphony Orchestra. The
effervescent Eine Kleine
Nachtmusik by Mozart brings
you a little night music to
enjoy. The Tchaikovsky
String Serenade is a
masterpiece of lyricism and
emotion. We are also going
to get some toe-tapping
hoedown fun at the concert.

#### Sundays with the Symphony Sunday, Nov. 21, 2021, 4 PM

Venue: Sanctuary of St. Luke-Simpson UMC, Lake Charles Brahms Violin & Viola Sonatas Featuring: Sarah Perkins, violin and Lina Morita, piano

# Lake Charles Symphony presents Holiday Jazz & Java Fundraiser

Sunday, Dec. 12, 2021, 5PM

West Cal Event's Center

\* Not included in the season package

# Sundays with the Symphony

Sunday, Jan. 30, 2022, 4 PM Venue: Sanctuary of St. Luke-Simpson UMC, Lake Charles

Bach to Bach Violin Double & Viola Double Concertos Featuring: Sarah Perkins, violin 1 & viola 2; Michele Gunn, violin 2 & viola 1; and Lina Morita, piano

#### Valentine Classics Concert 2 Monday, Feb. 14, 2022, 7 PM

Venue: Cash and Carry
Join us for our 3rd annual
Valentine's dinner and
concert. Enjoy the strings
and an exquisite evening
with friends or that special
someone at the charming
Historic Cash & Carry
building. Dinner will be
served at 6:30 PM, followed
by the concert with a
program that is sure to
delight and entertain. Doors
open at 6 PM

#### Sundays with the Symphony Sunday, Mar. 27, 2022, 4 PM

Venue: Sanctuary of St. Luke-Simpson UMC, Lake Charles

Pastiche Chamber Ensemble Featuring: Jan Scott, clarinet; Dave Scott, trumpet; Lina Morita, piano; and Lonny Benoit, percussion

#### Classics Concert 3, Season Finale

Sunday, May 1, 2022, 5 PM

Venue: Cash and Carry Conductor: Chelsea Tipton, II Celebrate the end of our season with the fun-loving Rossini's Barber of Seville Overture and the profoundly moving Adagio for Strings by Samuel Barber. Finally, we close our concert season with one of the greatest symphonies ever written, the Mozart Symphony No. 41 that will showcase the virtuosity of our Lake Charles Symphony Orchestra. This concert will feature the A. M. Barbe High School "Buccaneer" Orchestra.

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# **ARTISTIC ADVISOR**



#### **CHELSEA TIPTON, II**

American conductor Chelsea
Tipton, II, will be serving as Artistic
Advisor for the Lake Charles
Symphony for the 2021-2022
season. He has won over audiences
and critics alike with his vibrant
musicality, accessibility, versatility,
and extraordinary commitment to
Arts education. He is in his 11th
season as Music Director of The

Symphony of Southeast Texas and 6th season as Principal Pops Conductor of New Haven Symphony Orchestra. Tipton also served as Resident Conductor of the Toledo Symphony for seven exceptionally successful seasons and has served as Associate Conductor of the Savannah Symphony.

This season, when not on stage at the Julie Rogers Theater in Beaumont, Tipton will be found conducting the Greensboro Symphony Orchestra, The Colour of Music Festival Orchestra (Charleston, SC), and the Greater Bridgeport Symphony Orchestra in addition to his work with the Lake Charles Symphony. Tipton will also be presenting a special concert with Sting this season.

As a sought-after guest conductor, Tipton has appeared with numerous major orchestras including the Cleveland Orchestra, National Symphony Orchestra, Detroit Symphony, Pittsburgh Symphony, Houston Symphony, Orchestra Sinfonica Siciliana (Palermo), Dohnanyi Symphony Orchestra (Budapest), Atlanta Symphony, Indianapolis Symphony, New Jersey Symphony, Brooklyn Philharmonic, Louisiana Philharmonic, Nashville Symphony, Memphis Symphony, and the San Antonio Symphony Orchestra among others.

# FEATURED PIANIST



#### **LINA MORITA**

Brazilian pianist Lina Morita made her Carnegie Hall debut in 2013. Her international career has taken her throughout the U.S., Brazil, Mexico, France, and the Czech Republic. Most recently, she has been invited to present solo recitals at Salão Leopoldo Miguez in Rio de Janeiro,

Brazil; Mexico City at the Museo Mural Diego Rivera and at La Escuela de Musica "Vida y Movimiento" del Centro Cultural Ollin Yoliztli.

As a performer and pedagogue, Lina Morita has performed recitals and taught master classes at colleges and universities throughout the United States and has collaborated with renowned musicians such as flutists Susan Milan, Ransom Wilson, Ian Clarke, Jim Walker, clarinetist Mark Nuccio, and cellist Dennis Parker. Her solo and collaborative performances have been featured

on Radio MEC FM in Brazil and WRKF 89.3FM in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Her recording The Songs of Keith Gates with soprano Carol Lines was released on Centaur Records in 2012. As a concerto soloist, Morita performed Mozart's "Jeunehomme" Concerto and the Chopin F Minor Concerto with the Ars Nova Chamber Orchestra in Washington D.C. and Virginia. Other soloist appearances include Gershwin Rhapsody in Blue and Beethoven Concerto No. 4 with the Lake Charles Symphony in Louisiana and the Washington Sinfonietta in Washington DC.

Lina Morita received the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Piano Performance and Literature from the Eastman School of Music; the Master of Music degree from Rice University; and the Bachelor of Music degree from Indiana University. Her primary studies have been with True, Robert Roux, Edmund Battersby, and Michel Block. She is currently an Associate Professor of Piano at McNeese State University in Louisiana.

### FEATURED VIOLINISTS



#### SARAH MARIE PERKINS.

Sarah Marie Perkins, Danish American violinist and violist, is an accomplished performer and pedagogue. Currently serves as Concertmaster and Personnel Manager of Lake Charles Symphony. Additionally, performs regularly with Brazos Valley Symphony and Houston Latin American

Philharmonic. Previous orchestral appointments with the:
Acadiana, Austin, Baton Rouge, Bridgeport, Louisiana
Philharmonic, Mercury Orchestra, Opera in the Heights,
Rapides, Shreveport, Symphony of the Americas, and
Victoria Symphony. Ms. Perkins was studio assistant to Viola
Professo, Jesse Levine at the Yale University School of Music,
where she received her Master's Degree on full scholarship.

MICHELE GUNN began playing violin when she was four years old and viola when she was ten. She was fortunate to attend performing arts magnet schools from elementary school through high school (all in the Houston area). She was also a member of the Houston Youth Symphony, the Greater Houston Youth Orchestra, and Virtuosi of Houston. She discovered her love for chamber music when she was in seventh grade and became a member of the Camerata String Quartet, a group she played with until graduating high school. She is now a freelance violist and violinist and private lesson teacher based in Shreveport, Louisiana. Michele enjoys performing both viola and violin in several orchestras in the Ark-La-Tex area, including the Shreveport and Texarkana Symphonies, and in chamber groups in both Houston and Shreveport. She is also the Orchestra Librarian for the Marshall (TX) Symphony Orchestra.

#### **DISCOVER SOMETHING NEW!**

You know the Lake Charles Symphony, the lake area's 60-piece orchestra that has performed the masterworks of history's most renowned composers. Take another look, you might be surprised by what you find. Your Symphony is social, offering a kaleidoscope of contemporary events, an amalgam of what you love and expect, refined and redefined by the creative style of Southwest Louisiana's finest musicians.

The Lake Charles Symphony's 2021-2022 season includes events that are loved throughout the region including Bingo de Mayo, Summer Pops, and our new Holiday Jazz & Java fundraiser. Tickets to these special events are sold separately. Join us today, and help us celebrate where we have been, who we are, and where we are going. Visit us at www.LCsymphony.com or find us on Facebook to stay informed about upcoming concerts and events.

#### HOW TO BUY A SEASON MEMBERSHIP

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