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WELCOME TO THE 2019–2020 SEASON

“Community through music…”

Welcome to the 19th season of the North State Symphony!
The 2019-20 concert season encourages you to discover the excitement behind the symphonic experience, whether it be a favorite from the ages or a thrilling world premiere. This season celebrates Beethoven’s 250th birthday, with both his Triple Concerto featuring returning soloist favorites, and his monumental Symphony No. 9 (“Choral”) to close the season in May. Throughout this season and especially through the powerfully uplifting, all-encompassing music of Beethoven, we are reminded of the strength of community and - particularly during times of unexpected challenges – that we are better together.

If you have yet to experience the magic of the North State Symphony, please join us for our Masterworks series, our “NSS Pops!”, or the plethora of other concerts that might “strike a chord” with you! Also, make sure to stop by the pre-concert talk one hour before each Masterworks performance to gain a deeper insight into the composers and pieces on the program. I am so privileged to work with the incredible musicians of the North State Symphony as we share the wonders of live performance and we look forward to seeing you at the symphony!

Musically yours,

Meet Scott! Attend Scott’s FREE pre-concert talk one hour before each Masterworks performance.
Chico: Laxson Auditorium | Redding: Cascade Theatre
CONCERT SEASON AT A GLANCE

PRELUDE PARTY
Sunday, September 22, 2019 – 4:00 pm
Wine Time | Chico

BEETHOVEN TRIPLE
Masterworks 1
Redding | Saturday, September 28, 2019 – 7:30 pm
Chico | Sunday, September 29, 2019 – 2:00 pm

PRANKSTERS AND LEGENDS
NSS Chamber Music
Redding | Saturday, October 9, 2019 – 7:30 pm
Chico | Sunday, October 10, 2019 – 2:00 pm

OPEN REHEARSAL
Behind the Curtain
Museum of Northern California Art
Chico | Friday, November 8, 2019 - 2:00 pm

RISING ABOVE
Masterworks 2
Chico | Saturday, November 9, 2019 – 7:30 pm
Redding | Sunday, November 10, 2019 – 3:00 pm

HOLIDAY CONCERT
NSS Chamber Music
Chico | Friday, December 13, 2019 – 7:30 pm
Red Bluff | Saturday, December 14, 2019 – 7:30 pm
Redding | Sunday, December 15, 2019 – 4:00 pm
PULLING OUT THE STOPS
Masterworks 3
Redding | Saturday, February 8, 2020–7:30 pm
Chico | Sunday, February 9, 2020–2:00 pm

YOUNG ARTIST AUDITIONS
Chico | Sunday, February 2, 2020
12:00 pm—3:00 pm
Performing Arts Center, CSU Chico

WHAT IS MELODY?
Youth Concert
Chico | Wednesday, March 4, 2020
Redding | Thursday, March 5, 2020
Red Bluff | Friday, March 6, 2020

OUR EXPANDING UNIVERSE
NSS POPS!
Red Bluff | Saturday, April 4, 2020–2:00 pm
Redding | Saturday, April 4, 2020–7:30 pm
Chico | Sunday, April 5, 2020–2:00 pm

BEETHOVEN IDOL:
NSS Composition Competition Finals
Chico | Saturday, May 2, 2020
Performing Arts Center, CSU Chico

ODE TO JOY: BEETHOVEN’S 250TH
Masterworks 4
Chico | Saturday, May 9, 2020—7:30 pm
Redding | Sunday, May 10, 2020–3:00 pm

Save the dates! Spring fundraiser banquets • Saturday, February 29, Chico • Saturday, March 7, Redding
Redding | Saturday, September 28, 2019 | 7:30 pm
Chico | Sunday, September 29, 2019 | 2:00 pm

Conductor
Scott Seaton

Guest Artists
Andrew Sords, violin
Erik Anderson, cello
Dianna Anderson, piano

BEETHOVEN Triple Concerto
TORKE Ash
SCHUBERT Symphony No. 3
We begin the season celebration of Beethoven’s 250th birthday with the monumental Triple Concerto featuring soloist favorites of the past four years. Michael Torke’s Ash pays homage to Beethoven with his rhythmic, feisty shards of melody in search of a theme. Written when Franz Schubert was a mere 18 years old, his Third Symphony is transparent and is full of fresh melodic invention, a true example of classical elegance and flair.

*Free pre-concert talk one hour before the performance*
Chico | Saturday, November 9, 2019 | 7:30 pm
Redding | Sunday, November 10, 2019 | 3:00 pm

Conductor
Scott Seaton

Guest Artists
John Yeh, clarinet
Carol Jacobson, cello
Michael Schwagerus, double bass

MENDELSSOHN String Symphony No. 7
COPLAND Clarinet Concerto
GRENFELL Concerto for clarinet, cello, double bass
   and string orchestra
VAUGHAN WILLIAMS
   Fantasia on a Theme of Thomas Tallis
Behind the Curtain - Ever wondered how an orchestra prepares for a concert or how a conductor works with an orchestra? Join the North State Symphony and conductor Scott Seaton for a special look “behind the curtain” at their rehearsal process, staged in a beautiful gallery space at the Museum of Northern California Art.

Chico | Friday, November 8, 2019—2:00 pm

Now a year from the fires that devastated the North State, this program exemplifies the resilience of our communities and hope for the future. Chicago Symphony clarinetist John Yeh takes us to the heart of Copland’s lyrical and jazzy Clarinet Concerto. Concluding the evening is the powerfully expressive Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis by Ralph Vaughan Williams, a work saturated with endless melody and bountiful optimism.

Free pre-concert talk one hour before the performance
Masterworks 3

Redding | Saturday, February 8, 2020 | 7:30 pm
Chico | Sunday, February 9, 2020 | 2:00 pm

Conductor
Scott Seaton

Guest Artists
Oliver Moore, piano
2019 Young Artist Audition High School Winner
Butte MTAC Youth Orchestra | Yoshie Muratani, Director
Shasta College Youth Strings | Jeff Specht, Director

Marquez Danzon No. 2
Youth Orchestra Side-by-Side
Liszt Piano Concerto No. 1
Saint-Saëns Symphony No. 3 "Organ"
Inspired by Beethoven’s Fifth Symphony, Saint-Saëns created his resoundingly beautiful “Organ Symphony” on the grandest of scales, employing the “King of Instruments”. Young Artist Audition winner Oliver Moore will take us on a tour of the lush Romantic themes in Liszt’s First Piano Concerto. Youth orchestras from both Chico and Redding will join the symphony for Arturo Marquez’ rhythmically thrilling Danzon No. 2.

Free pre-concert talk one hour before the performance

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Pulling Out the Stops
Chico | Saturday, May 9, 2020 | 7:30 pm
Redding | Sunday, May 10, 2020 | 3:00 pm

**Conductor**
Scott Seaton

**Guest Artist**
Rebecca Sjöwall, soprano
Molly Mahoney, mezzo-soprano
Michael Desnoyers, tenor
Ben Brady, bass-baritone
Shasta College Chorus | Elizabeth Waterbury, Director
Simpson University Choirs | Steve Kim, Director

**TBA** World Premiere

* NSS Composition Competition Winner *

**BEETHOVEN** Symphony No. 9, Choral

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**Beethoven Idol** - In celebration of the anniversary of Beethoven’s 250th birthday, the North State Symphony invited submissions of works that explore the resilience...
of the human spirit, represent a coming together of humankind, and echoed Beethoven’s ideals of unity during the composition of the 9th Symphony. Three finalist compositions will be publicly displayed in an event similar to the popular American Idol and the orchestra and the audience will have the opportunity to vote on which composition they would like to hear during the Masterworks 4 concert weekend.

Chico | May 2, 2020 — 4:30 pm

**Concluding the season** and Beethoven’s 250th Anniversary celebration is his monumental Ninth Symphony, a work showcasing the power, heroism, humanity, and revolutionary spirit of Beethoven’s groundbreaking and visionary voice. In addition to our four phenomenal soloists, we will have more than 100 voices from the combined choruses of Shasta College and Simpson University. The performance begins with a world premiere by the winner of the North State Symphony Composition Competition.

Ode to Joy: Beethoven’s 250th

4-Concert SERIES

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Experience the final frontier as the NSS performs some of Hollywood’s greatest Sci-Fi and television themes. You will be on the edge of your seat with music from Star Trek, Apollo 13, Star Wars, Close Encounters of the Third Kind, and more! This exciting program will also highlight music from The Planets by Gustav Holst.

Our Expanding Universe

Tickets for the Red Bluff concert will be available through the Tehama Concert Association.
Pranksters and Legends

Redding | Saturday, October 19, 2019 | 7:30 pm
Sequoia Middle School, McLaughlin Auditorium

Chico | Sunday, October 20, 2019 | 2:00 pm
Zingg Recital Hall, CSU, Chico

NIELSEN Serenata in Vano
STRAUSS Till Eulenspiegel einmal anders!
BEETHOVEN Septet

Terrie Baune and friends celebrate Beethoven and other composers who were influenced by his methods, and sometimes broke his rules.

What Is a Melody?

Chico | Wednesday, March 4, 2020
Laxson Auditorium

Redding | Thursday, March 5, 2020
Cascade Theatre

Red Bluff | Friday, March 6, 2020
State Theatre

Conductor
Scott Seaton

Join us for festive performances of a variety of sacred and popular holiday music. We welcome our Young Artist Audition Winner, Kevin Anderson, to help ring in the holiday season and will conclude with the traditional carol sing-along. Bring the entire family to get into the holiday spirit and celebrate the season!

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Go to: NorthStateSymphony.org/explore-music
Let's Talk

For more information on supporting the symphony, contact Daria Booth, Director of Development, CSU Chico, College of Humanities and Fine Arts: By phone: 530-898-4054
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