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Elmhurst Symphony's "Mozart Madness" Brings Composer's Operas to the Concert Stage November 15

Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra concertgoers will be in for a rare musical treat on Sunday, November 15, beginning at 3:00 pm, when six of the finest singers in the Chicago area offer sparkling renditions of favorite arias and scenes from Mozart's musical masterpieces, complete with staging and supertitles! Sopranos Ashley Nicole Johnson and Michelle Areyzaga, mezzo-soprano Kelsey Park, tenor Ryan Townsend Strand and baritones Tamaron Conseur and Keven Keys will combine forces with Music Director and Conductor Stephen Alltop and the ESO to bring Mozart's music to life. From the dramatic overture and arias of Don Giovanni through gorgeous selections from The Marriage of Figaro and the hilarious Act 1 finale of Cosi fan tutte, you will love the acting and singing of this talented cast in what will be a spectacular afternoon of music-making! This is a not-to-be-missed opportunity to hear opera just minutes from home, brought to you by stellar soloists and outstanding orchestral musicians.

This concert is made possible in part by a generous gift from Bob and Mary Mallon, who have underwritten Cosi fan tutte and The Marriage of Figaro.

Special events are being featured throughout this 55th season of the Elmhurst Symphony that celebrates the 20th anniversaries with the ESO of Maestro Alltop and Concertmaster Rika Seko. Join fellow music lovers at a Mad for Mozart and Mama Maria's pizza party after the concert in the Garden Room of ECRC. Enjoy a relaxed all-you-can-eat pizza dinner for only \$12 per person. Tickets can be purchased at www.elmhurstsymphony.org or by calling the ESO Box Office at 630-941-0202.

The Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra performs in the spectacular space at Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church, 149 W. Brush Hill Rd. in Elmhurst, which is handicapped-accessible and offers free parking. The concert experience is enhanced by the informative and lively discussion, Behind the Music Stand, led by audience favorite Dr. Ted Hatmaker, which takes place at 1:45 pm, prior to the concert. To purchase three-or four-concert subscriptions or individual concert tickets please visit the ESO web site. Tickets are \$32 for adults, \$30 for seniors, and \$9 for students. Group and family rates are also available. There is \$5 per ticket surcharge for tickets purchased at the door. For information visit the web site or call the ESO Box Office.

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