

## HOUSTON SYMPHONY LEAGUE BAY AREA OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

# OCTOBER MEETING Wednesday October 12, 2016 Gloria Dei Lutheran Church 10:00 am social 10:30 meeting

#### **October Program Features Houston Symphony Musicians**



Dave Kirk



Neal Kurz

Dave Kirk, Principal Tuba for the Houston Symphony, and Neal Kurz, Pianist with the Shepherd School of Music will present the program for the October HSLBA meeting.

Dave Kirk has played tuba with the Houston Symphony since 1982. He was selected for the Houston Symphony during the final year of his undergraduate studies at the Juilliard School in New York City.

In addition to his work with the Houston Symphony, Mr. Kirk teaches at Rice University's Shepherd School of Music. He serves on the faculties of the Texas Music Festival, the American Festival of the Arts, and he is a teaching artist presented by Young Audiences of Houston.

Neal Kurz has performed extensively as a collaborative pianist, appearing in performance with many of the faculty of the Shepherd School of Music as well as their students. He received a Bachelor of Music degree from the Eastman School of Music and then a Master of Music degree in Piano Accompanying and Chamber Music from the University of Michigan.

Neal has appeared on numerous occasions as a keyboardist with the Houston Symphony, and has accompanied the orchestra on their tour performances in Carnegie Hall and to the UK. He has also worked with contestants of the Houston Symphony's Ima Hogg Competition for over 20 consecutive years.



For information and reservations: Contact Carole Murphy 15706 Craighurst Drive, Houston 281-480-2930 carolemurphyl@live.com

Make checks payable to BAMG

MUSIC AT THE MUSEUM A Very Special Evening of Music, Food and Fun Co-Sponsored by HSLBA and the Bay Area Museum Guild October 25, 2016, 6:30 pm at the Bay Area Museum 5000 NASA Rd. 1, Seabrook, TX featuring Houston Symphony Musicians Megan Conley, Principal Harp Matthew Roitstein, Associate Principal Flute \$30 per person

#### **RIDE THE BUS**

The first chance to Ride the Bus to Jones Hall this year is Sunday, September 25 to hear Mahler's Symphony No. 1 under the direction of the Houston Symphony Music Director, Andres Orozco-Estrada. Contact Jim Moore at jmoore1941@att.net or call 281-461-3623 for details. It's a great deal and it's fun, too.

### HOUSTON SYMPHONY PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS



**September 17** Opening Night with Andres Orozco directing **Prokofiev's** *Peter and the Wolf* with Sir Ben Kingsley as narrator.

September 23, 24, 25 Andres Orozco Estrada conducts Mahler Symphony No 1

**September 30, October 1 & 2** Andres Orozco Estrada conducts **Haydn** *Creation* featuring Houston Symphony Chorus and a cast of exciting soloists.

October 14, 15, 16 Michael Krajewski conducts Sounds of Simon and Garfunkel.

**October 22** Andres conducts Itzak Perlman for the Jones Hall 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert and Ball

October 28, 29, 30 Violinist Leonidas Kavakos plays Bach's Violin Concerto and conducts Brahms Symphony No. 4

For Tickets 713-224-7575 or HoustonSymphony.org



#### **From the President**

Our September meeting was so much fun! It's great to be back and enjoying music together. And October promises to offer up some especially wonderful music for both our General Meeting on October 12 and the Music at the Museum on October 25. Carole Wilson has done a tremendous job getting top caliber musicians from the Houston Symphony as our special guests.

With such an exciting year of music for our meetings, it would be a great time to bring a guest with you to enjoy the music and to catch our vision for providing first rate special music opportunities for the children in our area elementary schools. Also, think about how you can volunteer this year. There are many opportunities including introducing the instrumental groups we sponsor in the schools. Contact Nina McGlashan, <u>ninamcglashan@aol.com</u> if you are interested.

See you in October!

Mary Voigt

HSLBA President