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NJSO presents Beethoven's Fourth Piano Concerto, Shostakovich's First Symphony

Pianist Jeffrey Kahane performs Beethoven concerto

Hans Graf conducts

Program also features Ravel's *Le tombeau de Couperin*

NJSO Accents include Classical Conversations, College Night, food drive

Feb 28 at bergenPAC in Englewood

Mar 2 & 3 at NJPAC in Newark

NEWARK, NJ—The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra presents Beethoven's Fourth Piano Concerto with Jeffrey Kahane, February 28–March 3. Hans Graf returns to NJSO stages to conduct the program, which also features Shostakovich's First Symphony and Ravel's *Le tombeau de Couperin*.

Performances take place on February 28 at 7:30 pm at bergenPAC in Englewood and March 2 at 8 pm and March 3 at 3 pm at NJPAC in Newark.

March 2 is College Night; \$10 tickets for college students include the concert and an exclusive post-concert party. More information on College Night is available at njsymphony.org/college.

NJSO Accent events also include Classical Conversations one hour before the February 28 and March 3 performances. The NJSO will collect non-perishable food items at all concerts as part of its annual food drive. More information on NJSO Accent events is available at njsymphony.org/accents.

Concert tickets start at \$20 and are available for purchase at njsymphony.org or 1.800.ALLEGRO (255.3476).

The Program

Thu, Feb 28, at 7:30 pm | bergenPAC in Englewood

Sat, Mar 2, at 8 pm | NJPAC in Newark

Sun, Mar 3, at 3 pm | NJPAC in Newark

Hans Graf, conductor

Jeffrey Kahane, piano

New Jersey Symphony Orchestra

RAVEL *Le tombeau de Couperin*

BEETHOVEN Piano Concerto No. 4

SHOSTAKOVICH Symphony No. 1

NJSO ACCENTS

NJSO Food Drive

Non-perishable food items will be accepted for donation to local food banks. njsymphony.org/fooddrive

Classical Conversation – Thu, Feb 28, at 6:30 pm and Sun, Mar 3, at 2 pm

Enjoy a lively Classical Conversation before the performance. Learn more about the music from NJSO musicians, guest artists and other engaging insiders.

College Night – Sat, Mar 2, after the concert

\$10 tickets for college students include the concert and a post-concert party with refreshments. njsymphony.org/college

Additional concert information and artist bios are available at njsymphony.org/kahane.

Bank of America is concert sponsor of the March 3 performance.

New Jersey Symphony Orchestra

Named “a vital, artistically significant musical organization” by *The Wall Street Journal*, the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra embodies that vitality through its statewide presence and critically acclaimed performances, education partnerships and unparalleled access to music and the Orchestra’s superb musicians.

Music Director Xian Zhang—a “dynamic podium presence” *The New York Times* has praised for her “technical abilities, musicianship and maturity”—continues her acclaimed leadership of the NJSO. The Orchestra presents classical, pops and family programs, as well as outdoor summer concerts and special events. Embracing its legacy as a statewide orchestra, the NJSO is the resident orchestra of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark and regularly performs at State Theatre New Jersey in New Brunswick, Count Basie Center for the Arts in Red Bank, Richardson Auditorium in Princeton, Mayo Performing Arts Center in Morristown and bergenPAC in Englewood. Partnerships with New Jersey arts organizations, universities and civic organizations remain a key element of the Orchestra’s statewide identity.

In addition to its lauded artistic programming, the NJSO presents a suite of education and community engagement programs that promote meaningful, lifelong engagement with live music. Programs include school-time Concerts for Young People; NJSO Youth Orchestras family of student ensembles, led by José Luis Domínguez; and El Sistema-inspired NJSO CHAMPS (Character, Achievement and Music Project). NJSO musicians annually perform original chamber music programs at community events in a variety of settings statewide through the NJSO Community Partners program.

For more information about the NJSO, visit njsymphony.org or email information@njsymphony.org. Tickets are available for purchase by phone at 1.800.ALLEGRO (255.3476) or on the Orchestra’s website.

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