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Simone Dinnerstein joins NJSO for Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 23

Program also includes Mozart's Symphony No. 40, Walton's Suite No. 2 from *Façade*Music Director Xian Zhang conducts

NJSO Accent events include singalong, Classical Conversation, musician talkback

Apr 25 at NJPAC in Newark Apr 27 at Count Basie Center for the Arts in Red Bank Apr 28 at Mayo Performing Arts Center in Morristown

NEWARK, NJ—The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra welcomes Simone Dinnerstein back to NJSO stages for performances of Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 23 on a program that also includes the composer's Symphony No. 40, April 25–28. Music Director Xian Zhang conducts the concerts, which open with Walton's Suite No. 2 from *Façade*.

Performances take place on April 25 at 1:30 pm at NJPAC in Newark, April 27 at 8 pm at Count Basie Center for the Arts in Red Bank and April 28 at 3 pm at Mayo Performing Arts Center in Morristown.

NJSO Accent events include a singalong one hour before the April 25 concert, a Classical Conversation one hour before the April 27 concert and a post-concert talkback with NJSO musicians about the orchestral audition process on April 28. More information on NJSO Accent events is available at njsymphony.org/accents.

Concert tickets start at \$20 (\$10 for students) and are available for purchase at <u>njsymphony.org</u> or 1.800.ALLEGRO (255.3476).

The Program

Xian Conducts Mozart

Thu, Apr 25, at 1:30 pm | NJPAC in Newark
Sat, Apr 27, at 8 pm | Count Basie Center for the Arts in Red Bank
Sun, Apr 28, at 3 pm | Mayo Performing Arts Center in Morristown

Xian Zhang, conductor Simone Dinnerstein, piano New Jersey Symphony Orchestra

WALTON Suite No. 2 from *Façade* MOZART Piano Concerto No. 23 MOZART Symphony No. 40

NJSO ACCENTS

Singalong Fun – Thu, Apr 25, at 12:30 pm

Come early and sing along to an entertaining selection of song favorites.

Classical Conversation - Sat, Apr 27, at 7 pm

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

Talkback - Sun, Apr 28, after the concert

NJSO Behind the Scenes: Don't miss a panel of NJSO musicians describe the often grueling, but genuinely fascinating audition process.

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

Northern Trust is concert sponsor of the April 27 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.

Tickets are available online at <u>njsymphony.org</u>, by phone at 1.800.ALLEGRO (255.3476) or in person. The NJSO Patron Services office is located at 60 Park Place, Suite 900, in Newark; hours are Monday–Friday, 9 am–5 pm, and concert Saturdays, 11 am–5 pm.

For more information, visit njsymphony.org or email information@njsymphony.org.

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