

A SPRING CONCERT FEATURING DVORÁK'S

NEW WORLD SYMPHONY

DARRIN THIRIOT, CONDUCTOR

Saturday, May 18, 2024, 7:00 pm Viewmont High School Auditorium Free Admission, donations appreciated. Suggested Donation:\$5/person or \$20/family



Tonight's Program:

Emmanuel Chabrier: España, Rhapsody for Orchestra

In 1882, Chabrier and his wife took a six-month trip to Spain. He was so enamored with Spain's music, culture, and dance that shortly after his return in 1883, he wrote the España, Rhapsody for Orchestra. It was originally entitled "Jota", which is a Spanish courtship dance where the couple dances together in lively bouncing steps while clicking castanets. España was immediately successful and solidified Chabrier's place as a top tier composer. Chabrier also arranged two other versions of the piece: one for 2 pianos and another for soprano vocalist and piano.

Antonín Dvorák: Symphony No. 9, "From the New World"

I. Adagio- Allegro molto

II. Largo

III. Scherzo: Molto vivace IV. Finale: Allegro con fouco

Dvořák's ninth symphony is perhaps one of the most well known and beloved symphonies in symphonic literature. Dvořák's style was uniquely nationalistic, using melodies and rhythms that tried to capture the essence of his homeland. He followed in the footsteps of other Nationalist composers such as Bedřich Smetana.

In 1891 the Czech composer had already established himself as one of Europe's finest composers and conductors. His fame had even reached the United States. Jeannette Thurber, head of the newly formed American National Conservatory of Music, longed for the creation of a new and unique "American" sound. She offered Dvořák the premier post of Artistic Director and Composition Professor for a kingly annual salary of \$15,000. Dvořák and his family arrived in the United States in September of 1892.

The symphony premiered in December of 1893 at Carnegie Hall in New York. It was enthusiastically received, and shortly after publication was performed by several European orchestras. Dvořák was immediately contracted for another 2 years with the National Conservatory, but financial constraints and a feeling of homesickness for his family led him to return to Bohemia early in 1895.

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