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## We thank you for your patronage and invite you to join us for our 13th season.

This season's programming is representative of the wonderful versatility exhibited by this unique performing ensemble. This versatility has enabled The Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra to cover a broad spectrum of musical genres and gain wide acceptance from its followers.

Highlights of the 1994-95 season include:

- Season opening concert at St. Luke's in St. Paul with works by Germanic composers Weber, Strauss and Mendelssohn.
- December concert in the newly opened sanctuary/performing hall of the Wayzata Community Church, reverberating with the sounds of Bernstein's *Symphonic Dances from 'West Side Story'*.
- Pat Kent, soprano, featured in Ravel's Sheherazade, song cycle.
- 'Ice On Fire' Gala Benefit at the Minnesota History Center featuring hot classics performed by Metropolitan Symphony musicians and cool jazz by The Horloge Trio.
- Pan-Hispanic concert at St. Matthew's Catholic Church featuring spirited works by Mexican, Spanish and Argentinian composers.
- The enormous chorus and orchestra of the moving *Symphony No. 2, 'Resurrection'* of Gustav Mahler.
- Soloists throughout the season include Mark Kosower, cello; John Gallagher, bass; Wes A. Huisinga, oboe; and Charles Parsons, organ.

"The Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra has a winning combination: great music performed in an atmosphere that is electric yet informal. The musicians give it their all, and every audience is entertained."

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## After 12 seasons, we have proven ourselves as a major community orchestra.

Composed of 75 talented and dedicated musicians, The Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra continues to bring its audiences music of the very highest professional quality. Concerts throughout the Twin Cities, free of charge to our audiences, ensure that we maintain our mission of serving diverse communities.

Music Director Manny Laureano has led The Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra as its music director since 1987. He has held the post of principal trumpet with the Minnesota



Orchestra since 1981 and has been co-music director of the Minnesota Youth Symphonies since 1988. As a conductor, Mr. Laureano has worked with a variety of ensembles ranging from having been Music Director of the Calhoun-Isles Community Band to a guest stint with the Minnesota Orchestra for a week of Young Persons Concerts. A native New Yorker, Mr. Laureano was educated at Juilliard, was a finalist in the 1975

International Trumpet Competitions and played principal trumpet with the Seattle Symphony before assuming his present appointments here in Minnesota.

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## 1994-1995 Concert Season

SUNDAY OCT. 23 3:00 PM

St. Luke's Catholic Church 1079 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, MN

Weber - 'Oberon' Overture

Strauss - Death and Transfiguration, symphonic poem, Op. 24 Mendelssohn - Symphony No. 5 in D minor - 'Reformation'

SUNDAY DEC. 4 7:00 PM

Wayzata Community Church

Ferndale and Wayzata Blvd., Wayzata, MN

John Gallagher, bass Mark Kosower, cello

Mozart - 'Magic Flute' Overture

Dragonetti - Concerto for String Bass in A Major

Tchaikovsky - Variations on a Rococo Theme for cello, Op.33

Bernstein - Symphonic Dances from 'West Side Story'

**SUNDAY** FEB. 12 7:00 PM

**Easter Lutheran Church** 

4200 Pilot Knob Road, Eagan, MN

Wes A. Huisinga, oboe Pat Kent, soprano

Françaix - L'Horloge de Flore Ravel - Sheherazade, song cycle

Rimsky-Korsakov - Scheherazade, symphonic suite

MAR. 11 7:30-10:30 PM

SATURDAY 'Ice On Fire' Gala Benefit - Minnesota History Center 345 Kellogg Blvd. W., St. Paul, MN

Warm up with hot classics, cool jazz and elegant cuisine

in a spectacular city setting.

Ticket/donation price: \$40 per person. For information call (612) 566-3419.

SUNDAY MAR. 26 3:00 PM

St. Matthew's Catholic Church

Hall Avenue and Robie Street, St. Paul, MN

Reveultas - Sensemaya

deFalla - Three dances from 'El Sombrero de Tres Picos'

Surinach - Ritmo Iondo

Ginastera - Four Dances from 'Estancia'

Moncayo - Huapango

SUNDAY MAY 7 3:00 PM

Central Lutheran Church - 75th Anniversary Celebration 333 South 12th Street, Minneapolis, MN

Central Lutheran Choir

Charles Parsons, organ

vocal soloists to be announced

Mahler - Symphony No. 2 in C minor, 'Resurrection'

Concert admission is free; donations are appreciated. Programs subject to change

## Please Support The Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra for 1994-95

Private giving is the major source of support for the orchestra. By covering general operating expenses, these funds enable the orchestra to fulfill its mission through commissioning new works, building a music library and featuring professional musicians as soloists with the orchestra. Contributions from individuals fund over half of the orchestra's monetary needs; additional support comes from donations at concerts rather than ticket sales. We invite you to join others in supporting The Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra this season.

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