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SINGLE TICKETS FOR COLORADO SYMPHONY 2011/12 SEASON CONCERTS GO ON SALE TO PUBLIC AUGUST 1

Ticket sales for holiday and one-night-only events such as Renée Fleming, Joshua Bell, Patti LuPone and Celtic Woman also available to public Monday, August 1

DENVER – July 22, 2011 – The **Colorado Symphony** announced today that single tickets for all **2011/12 season** concerts will go on sale **Monday, August 1** at 10 a.m. The Colorado Symphony's 2011/12 season line-up features a dynamic array of programs that speak to the passions and personal favorites of all music lovers. Among the stars joining the Colorado Symphony during the 2011/12 season are virtuoso violinists **Joshua Bell** and **Karen Gomyo**, GRAMMY®-nominated country music artist **David Nail**, the "First Lady of Broadway" **Patti LuPone**, Ireland's **Celtic Woman**, acclaimed pianists **Valentina Lisitsa** and **Olga Kern**, beloved soprano **Renée Fleming**, and the **Cleo Parker Robinson Dance** company. These artists and many more are featured in a stellar line-up of concerts that form the Colorado Symphony's Masterworks, Pops, *Inside the Score*, Family and Holiday Series. Colorado Symphony music lovers especially won't want to miss these fall 2011 concert events:

- Sept. 17: **Big Bad Voodoo Daddy**, the pioneering California band that fuses classic American sounds from jazz, swing, Dixieland and the Big Band era opens the 2011/12 Pops series.
- Sept. 18: Violinist **Joshua Bell** joins the Colorado Symphony for one-night-only. Bell's recordings and performances have earned him the rare title of "classical music superstar."
- Sept. 23 and 24: Masterworks opening night **Strauss: A Space Odyssey** with conductor **Yan Pascal Tortelier** and the power and passion of Strauss' **Also Sprach Zarathustra**.
- Sept. 30, Oct. 1 and 2: **Jeffrey Kahane** returns as pianist in Beethoven's sparkling first concerto. Then, experience **The Planets "An HD Odyssey,"** a multimedia event combining the orchestra's live performance of Holst's orchestral suite "The Planets" with state-of-the-art NASA-generated images.
- Oct. 7: Journey into the world of movie soundtracks with *Inside the Score* as **film composer Charles Denler** shares a secret glimpse into the filmmaking and musical scoring process. Then, enjoy the western premiere of the animated film **Henry and Me**, starring Richard Gere and Cyndi Lauper with live orchestral accompaniment.
- Oct. 8: GRAMMY®-nominated country recording artist **David Nail** of *Red Light* and *Turning Home* fame makes his debut with symphony orchestra.

- Oct. 21, 22 and 23: A exquisite performance of **Fauré's heavenly *Requiem*** with celebrated soloists **Karina Gauvin** and **Jonathan Beyer**, the **Colorado Symphony Chorus** and conductor **Matthew Halls**.
- Oct. 29: The "First Lady of Broadway" **Patti LuPone** joins the Colorado Symphony for a spectacular evening of Broadway hits and more.
- Oct. 30: Join the Family Series at **Halloween Spooktacular!** Get ready for thrills, chills and a ghoulish selection of spooky classics.

In addition to series concerts, tickets for all Colorado Symphony holiday concert events also go on sale to the public Monday, August 1. These concerts have sold out in recent seasons and music lovers are encouraged to secure their tickets early. Come celebrate the holidays with the Colorado Symphony:

- Dec. 9, 10 and 11: It's time to Deck the Halls at **Colorado Christmas!** The whole family will enjoy time-honored carols and favorite Christmas music.
- Dec. 13, 14 and 18: Make plans today to experience **Messiah By Candlelight**. These concerts sold out in 2011 and promise to be one of the most inspirational of the season.
- Dec. 16 and 17: **Too Hot to Handel** – The name says it all! Join conductor laureate, Marin Alsop for this entertaining R&B, jazz and gospel reworking of Handel's *Messiah*.
- Dec. 21: Delight in the magic of Ireland's Celtic Woman performing a mix of Celtic, New Age and adult contemporary music on their first American symphonic holiday tour.

Prior to August 1, single tickets are only available to Colorado Symphony season subscribers, who have the option to get the best seats and purchase extra tickets prior to tickets going on sale to the general public.

Tickets: Subscriptions and tickets are sold at the Colorado Symphony Box Office at www.coloradosymphony.org, by calling (303) 623-7876 or (877) 292-7979, or in-person in the lobby of Boettcher Concert Hall in the Denver Performing Arts Complex. Hours are Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.

About the Colorado Symphony

The state's only full-time professional orchestra, the Colorado Symphony embraces a tradition of musical excellence by presenting a diverse array of symphonic performances throughout the year. By presenting music that is both timeless and inspiring, while taking risks with new musical collaborations and interactive concerts, the Colorado Symphony is attracting more diverse and younger audiences than ever before. In its 2011 summer season alone, the Colorado Symphony performed for more than 125,000 spectators. Originally established in 1989 as the successor to the Denver Symphony, the Colorado Symphony performs in Boettcher Concert Hall and throughout the Front Range, presenting outstanding education and outreach programs, as well as Masterworks, Pops, Holiday, Family, and the exciting new *Inside the Score* series that has attracted a historic level of first-time concertgoers. The increasing popularity of Colorado Symphony concerts as well as a strong fundraising base not only re-affirms the artistic excellence of the orchestra, but also reflects the deep-rooted enthusiasm for

symphonic music felt by so many individuals across the region. For more information about the Colorado Symphony, visit www.coloradosymphony.org.

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