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COLORADO SYMPHONY ANNOUNCES THE 2022 IMAGINATION GALA

Broadway star Jessica Vosk to perform with the Colorado Symphony May 21, 2022 at Mission Ballroom

Feb. 28, 2022 – Denver, CO – The Colorado Symphony announces the 2022 Colorado Symphony Imagination Gala, to be held Saturday, May 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at Denver’s Mission Ballroom. Resident Conductor Christopher Dragon and the Colorado Symphony will be joined onstage by Broadway star Jessica Vosk, providing music and style for an evening celebrating symphonic excellence.



The Imagination Gala will be the organization’s largest fundraising event of the year with funds raised supporting the operations and education programs of the Colorado Symphony, the largest and only full-time professional orchestra in Colorado.

“After a two-year hiatus, it’s a thrilling moment for us to announce the return of the Colorado Symphony Gala, an incredible philanthropic event we’re excited to bring to the Mission Ballroom,” said Anthony Pierce, Chief Artistic Officer for the Colorado Symphony. “This event promises to bring together over 600 philanthropic guests and incredible music, as we celebrate what promises to be an exciting future for this

orchestra. As a nonprofit organization, the Gala is vital to our annual fundraising efforts, raising approximately \$1 million in contributed funds while helping to make all our season’s programming, community engagement, and education initiatives possible. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we were unable to host this event in 2020 and 2021, so this year’s Gala is all the more important to our ability to bring incredible live, symphonic music to our community.”

Gala attendees will have the chance to see Jessica Vosk perform Broadway hits alongside the Colorado Symphony. Vosk is a celebrated singer and actress known for stirring roles on the musical theater and concert stage including an acclaimed run as Elphaba in *Wicked* on Broadway. She made her Carnegie Hall debut in November 2021 in a sold-out solo show titled “My Golden Age.” She also starred as the Narrator in the 50th anniversary of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* at Lincoln Center and created the role of Aunt Val in the world premiere of *Becoming Nancy*. Vosk starred in New York City Ballet’s Jerome Robbins tribute *Something to Dance About* and re-created the role of Fruma Sarah in the most recent Broadway revival of *Fiddler on the Roof*. Other Broadway credits include *Finding Neverland* and *The Bridges of Madison County*. She starred as Anita in *West Side Story* with the San Francisco Symphony. Her debut, Billboard-charting solo album *Wild and Free* was released in 2018 and was followed by 2020’s *A Very Coco Christmas*.



The Colorado Symphony is honored to welcome Governor Jared Polis and Mayor Michael B. Hancock as honorary co-chairs for the event. The event also includes the following community leaders as Gala Chairs:

Brent Fedrizzi

Co-President and COO, AEG Presents

Bill Myers

Managing Director of Communications and Corporate Responsibility, Liberty Global

Don Strasburg

CO-President, AEG Rocky Mountains and Pacific Northwest

Chris Tetzeli

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For sponsorship opportunities or to purchase a table, visit <https://coloradosymphony.org/Gala> or contact Cecile Forsberg-Kerr at cforsbergkerr@coloradosymphony.org.

EVENT INFORMATION:

Colorado Symphony Imagination Gala 2022

Date: Saturday, May 21, 2022

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Mission Ballroom - 4242 Wynkoop St. Denver, CO 80216

For more information, visit: <https://coloradosymphony.org/Gala>

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TICKETS:

Tickets to Colorado Symphony events are available online at coloradosymphony.org/tickets or by phone at 303.623.7876. The Box Office is open Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Saturday, 12 p.m. - 6 p.m.

ABOUT THE COLORADO SYMPHONY

The Colorado Symphony Association is the region's only full-time professional orchestra committed to



artistic excellence and ensuring the future of live, symphonic music. Performing over 150 concerts annually at Boettcher Concert Hall in downtown Denver and across Colorado, your Colorado Symphony is home to eighty full-time musicians, representing more than a dozen nations, and regularly welcomes the most celebrated artists from all genres of music. During the COVID-19 health pandemic, we worked to safely produce over 50 concerts with and without audiences, including: 18 Red Rocks Park and Amphitheatre performances, two large scale virtual community benefit concerts, and dozens of small ensemble concerts performed in numerous outdoor venues like the Denver Performing Arts Complex Galleria, Denver Zoo, and Denver Botanic Gardens. Virtual #PlayOn campaigns garnered 2 million views between our Virtual Music Hour, Weekly Replay, From Home Concerts, and MusiCurious Instrument Interviews. Recognized as an incubator of innovation, creativity, and excellence, your Colorado Symphony continually expands its impact through education, outreach, and programming. We partner with the state's leading musical artists, cultural organizations, corporations, foundations, sports teams, and individuals to expose diverse audiences to the power of symphonic orchestral music.