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COLORADO SYMPHONY ANNOUNCES SECOND PERFORMANCE OF THE MUSIC OF QUEEN

Experience Queen's legendary musical catalog performed live at Boettcher Concert Hall March 13 & 14

Dec. 10, 2019 – Denver, CO – Due to overwhelming popular demand, the Colorado Symphony has announced a second performance of the Music of Queen taking place Friday, March 13, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at Boettcher Concert Hall. The Colorado Symphony previously announced a single performance of the Music of Queen for March 14, 2020.

In the decade of super groups – and four decades beyond – Queen reigns supreme. Celebrate the immortal music of Queen as Brody Dolyniuk and his rock band join your Colorado Symphony for an unforgettable evening. The Music of Queen soars with songs from the albums *Classic Queen, A Night at*



the Opera, Sheer Heart Attack, Jazz, News of the World, A Kind of Magic, The Works and many more.

Bridging the gulf between rock n' roll and classical music, conductor/arranger Brent Havens takes the podium with a full rock band and vocals, capturing Queen's distinct sound while presenting some familiar and lots of new musical colors.

Delivering a fabulous rendition of Freddie Mercury's vocals

is Las Vegas star Brody Dolyniuk. "When he came out to audition for the show we knew immediately that he had something special. He not only knew the music but he had clearly listened to every aspect of Freddie's performances," states Havens. "His inflections were spot-on and even the wailing rock sound had that Freddie resonance. Clearly, there will never be another Freddie Mercury but close your eyes and listen to Brody and you're going to get something very close."

Heightened by rock concert lighting, the symphonic rock hybrid has met with riotous approval at both ends of the hall. Many classical musicians also enjoy the change of pace. "So many of the musicians grew up with this music much like we did," says Havens. "They may not have studied it to the extent that my musicians have studied it but they are certainly familiar with the music. Who can avoid hearing 'We Will Rock You' at sporting events, on TV shows, and even in the super market?" Indeed, Queen's music seems omni-present.

"When I sat down to begin scoring the show, it was amazing how comfortably the orchestra fit within the structure of the music. Innovative chord progressions, wonderful melodies and the astounding vocals of Freddie Mercury make the music a perfect choice to orchestrate. And having world class musicians in every city we present the show makes the music even that much more compelling.



The show has proven a great way to introduce rock fans to the symphony experience. "As with our other shows, I'm sure there are people who are going to come out who have never seen their city's symphony orchestra and this allows them to experience something new along with the music that they already love," says Havens.

Single tickets for both performances are on sale now via coloradosymphony.org and at the Colorado Symphony Box Office. For concert descriptions and ticket information, please visit <u>coloradosymphony.org/tickets</u> or call the box office at 303.623.7876.

EVENT INFORMATION:

What: The Music of Queen Where: Boettcher Concert Hall When: FRI March 13, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: Available at coloradosymphony.org/tickets

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TICKETS:

Tickets to Colorado Symphony events are available online at <u>coloradosymphony.org/tickets</u>, by phone at 303.623.7876, and in person at the Boettcher Concert Hall Box Office, Denver Performing Arts Complex, 1000 14th Street. The Box Office is open Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Saturday, noon – 6 p.m.; and two hours prior to each performance.

ABOUT THE COLORADO SYMPHONY

One of the leading orchestras in the United States, the Colorado Symphony Association is a not-forprofit 501 (c)(3) organization performing more than 150 concerts annually at Boettcher Concert Hall in downtown Denver and across Colorado. Led by Music Director Brett Mitchell, the Colorado Symphony is home to eighty full-time musicians, representing more than a dozen nations, and regularly welcomes the most celebrated artists from the world of symphonic music and beyond. In the last year, the Colorado Symphony served nearly 233,000 people attending live performances at concert and nontraditional venues throughout Colorado's Front Range. In addition, over 265,000 people listen to the Colorado Symphony through Colorado Public Radio's live broadcasts of classical content featuring



concert recordings, in-studio performances of individual musicians and small ensembles, and live streaming of interviews and performances with artists. Recognized as an incubator of innovation, creativity, and excellence, the Colorado Symphony continually expands its reach through education, outreach, and programming. The Colorado Symphony partners with the state's leading musical artists, cultural organizations, corporations, foundations, sports teams, and individuals to expose diverse audiences to the transformative power of music. To learn more, visit <u>coloradosymphony.org</u>.