



Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra

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**PALO ALTO CHAMBER ORCHESTRA'S SINFONIA ENSEMBLE  
FIRST CONCERT OF THE SEASON  
A PROGRAM OF RENOWNED COMPOSERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD**

***November 15th Concert Features PACO Concerto Competition Winner  
and Peninsula Local Violinist, Kyoko Inagawa***

DATE & TIME: Sunday, November 15, 2009, 3:00 p.m.  
PLACE: Cubberley Theater, 4000 Middlefield Rd, Palo Alto

PROGRAM: George Frederic Handel - Concerto Grosso Op. 6 No. 11 in A Major  
Ernst Dohnanyi - The Marcia movement from Serenade  
Tomaso Antonio Vitali - Chaconne  
Anton Arensky - Variations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky

TICKETS: \$10/general, \$5/senior and student  
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PALO ALTO, Calif., October 7, 2009 – PACO's Sinfonia will perform their first concert of the 2009-2010 season on Sunday, November 15, with pieces from European artists representing a range of styles. Under the direction of PACO music director Benjamin Simon, this challenging program includes movements of four primary pieces and a variety of masterpieces of the chamber music repertoire performed by small ensembles comprised of Sinfonia members. From England comes Concerto Grosso Op. 6 No. 11 in A Major by Baroque master George Frederic Handel. Known as one of Handel's best known instrumental works, the Concerto Grosso (Italian for 'big concert') is a form of baroque music in which the musical material is passed between a small group of soloists and the full orchestra. The Sinfonia Orchestra will also perform the Marcia movement from Ernst Dohnanyi's virtuosic Serenade. Originally from Hungary in what is now the capital of Slovakia, Dohnanyi's music approach is deeply rooted in the strongest traditions of European classical music particularly and bears the imprint of Johannes Brahms. From Italy comes Vitali's famous Chaconne. This powerful, emotion evoking movement performed by PACO concerto competition winner, twelve year old Kyoko Inagawa, is sure to make an impression with both the classical music novice as well as seasoned listeners alike. From Russia, The Sinfonia Orchestra will also perform Anton Arensky's well-loved Variations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky.

### About the Soloist

Kyoko Inagawa, age twelve, is a seventh grader at Terman Middle School in Palo Alto. She has been playing the violin since she was five years old. Miss Inagawa attended the San Francisco Conservatory of Music at the age of seven and performed at the Young People's Ensemble Concert. She joined PACO in 2008 in Preparatory. Inagawa studies piano under the direction of Irina Sharogradsky. She is currently a violin pupil of Li Ling and plays with PACO's Debut Ensemble. In her free time, Miss Inagawa enjoys hanging out with friends and reading books.

### About PACO

Founded in 1966, the Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra is composed of the Bay Area's most talented musicians chosen by competitive auditions. The young musicians typically enter the PACO organization at the "Superstrings" level, moving up through the Preparatory, Debut, Sinfonia and Senior PACO orchestras. As being one of the few youth orchestras in the nation devoted exclusively to chamber music, PACO performs adventurous repertoire, features first class soloists, tours internationally and accomplishes frequent recordings. Appointed music director in 2002, violist Benjamin Simon has brought with him a new level of energy and creativity in directing PACO programs, while continuing its tradition of excellence in performance. For more information call 650-856-3848 or visit <http://www.pacomusic.org>.

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**Public Service Announcement**

**PALO ALTO CHAMBER ORCHESTRA 'S 'SINFONIA' SEASON FIRST CONCERT NOVEMBER 15th**

PACO's Sinfonia will perform their first concert of the 2009-2010 season on Sunday, November 15th, with a challenging program including movements from around the world and a variety of masterpieces of the chamber music repertoire performed by small ensembles comprised of Sinfonia members. From England comes Concerto Grosso Op. 6 No. 11 in A Major by Baroque master George Frederic Handel. The Sinfonia Orchestra will also perform the Marcia movement from Ernst Dohnanyi's virtuosic Serenade. From Italy comes Vitali's famous Chaconne. This powerful, emotion evoking movement will be performed by local talent, PACO concerto competition winner, twelve year old Kyoko Inagawa. From Russia, The Sinfonia Orchestra will also perform Anton Arensky's well-loved Variations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky. The concert, to be conducted by PACO Music Director Benjamin Simon, will take place at 3:00 p.m. at the Cubberley Theater, Palo Alto. For more information call 650-856-3848 or visit <http://www.pacomusic.org>.

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