

TOCCATA readies for Winter MusicFest

Tahoe Symphony Orchestra and Chorus continues its 9th annual Winter MusicFest with the “Paul Guttman Piano Competition Winner” concert series Feb. 9, 11, 13 and 14.

The program opens with Bach’s choral masterpiece Magnificat, featuring vocal soloists Anna Helwing, Joy Strotz and Katharine DeBoer, sopranos, Albert Lee and Sherman Modeste, tenors and Chris Langton and Stuart Duke, baritones. Jacob Warnick, the 16-year-old winner of the 2013 Guttman Piano Competition, will perform Saint Saens Piano Concerto Op. 22 in G minor, but the February 9 opening concert will feature Tony Xie, the 2013 Piano Competition runner. Finalizing the concert will be Elizabeth Pitcairn, guest violinist, performing Max Bruch’s Violin Concerto in G minor, on the legendary Red Stradivarius Violin. Maestro James Rawie will conduct all performances.

The performances are Feb. 9 at 3pm at St. Theresa Church in South Lake Tahoe (1041 Lyons Ave.); Feb. 11 at 7pm at Shepherd of the Sierra Church in Carson City (3680 Highway 395); Feb. 13 at 7pm at St. Patrick’s Episcopal Church in Incline Village (341 Village Blvd.); and Feb. 14, 7pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Reno, (501 California Ave.).

A special soiree musicale fundraiser will take place at a private home in Incline Village on Feb. 15 at 2pm. Tickets are \$100 per person. Elizabeth Pitcairn will perform, as well as several singers accompanied by Donna Axton on piano. For more details, call (787) 602.2121.

Tickets are available at the door or online, or at Tahoe City Visitor Center and Potlatch in Incline Village. General admission to all concerts is \$30 adults, \$25 seniors (advance

purchase only), and \$5 students aged 19 to 23 with valid ID. Preferred seating is \$40 and \$15 for youth/students. Youth under 19 years of age are admitted free, in non-reserved seating.