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CYSO Embarks on South American Tour

On June, 16 2009, CYSO's Symphony Orchestra will embark on an exciting thirteen-day tour of Argentina and Uruguay. During the tour, Symphony Orchestra will perform concerts in some of South America's most prestigious concert halls. Although CYSO has completed several successful international tours to Europe and Asia, this is the first time that the Orchestra will perform in the southern hemisphere.

Symphony Orchestra will kick off its tour in Argentina by traveling to La Plata for a concert at the Teatro Coliseo Podesta on June 19. On June 20, the ensemble will perform at La Facultad de Derecho in Buenos Aires before finishing the Argentine leg of the tour with a night at the Teatro El Circulo in Rosario on June 23. The orchestra will then complete its South American travels with a concert in Montevideo, Uruguay at the famous Teatro Solis on June 25.

Please join us in wishing our Symphony Orchestra students the best of luck in their travels.

Programs to include:

Richard Strauss:	<i>Till Eulenspiegels Lustige Streiche</i>
George Gershwin:	<i>An American in Paris</i>
Antonín Dvořák :	Symphony No.9 in E Minor, op.95 (From the New World)
Johannes Brahms:	Academic Festival Overture
Howard Hanson:	Symphony No.2 " <i>Romantic</i> "

To read what's going on in South America, follow CYSO on the new [CYSO Blog!](#)

Spring CDs Available!

Live recordings of all CYSO 2008-2009 Season concerts are available.

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Colors include Navy, Chestnut brown, Light pink and Periwinkle.

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CYSO to Perform at the League of American Orchestras National Conference

CYSO is excited and honored to be performing at the [League of American Orchestras'](#) national conference in Chicago! This year's gathering of the nation's foremost orchestral leaders will take place June 9 -12. CYSO ensembles are thrilled to be a part of two separate concerts.

On Wednesday, June 10, 2009 CYSO Brass will perform at the official opening of the conference at the Palmer House Hotel. We know that this group will start all the attendees off on the right foot.

On Friday, June 12, 2009 Music Director Allen Tinkham and CYSO's [Symphony Orchestra](#) will perform for conference attendees prior to the morning's keynote speaker and a performance by [CSO's MusicNow](#). We are extremely proud of being chosen for this special concert, as we were selected through a blind-audition competition with many other similar organizations competing for the honor.

We look forward to giving all those present a taste of what some of the best young musicians in the world can accomplish. Listen to the Future!

CYSO Concludes a Successful 62nd Season

CYSO will conclude its 62nd Season of classical music training and performance on June 30, 2009. We would like to thank all the CYSO students, parents, volunteers and friends for their longtime support of our youth music initiatives. The organization can only survive these difficult economic times with your commitment and help. As we look forward to beginning another season, we thank you for all you have done and for your belief in our work. Have a fantastic summer!

[If you would like to make a donation to CYSO, click here!](#)

CYSO Congratulates the Class of 2009!

CYSO would like to congratulate the Class of 2009 and thank them for helping to make the 2008-2009 CYSO season one of our most successful yet. Below is a list of CYSO's most recent alumni and which school they will attend. We wish them the best of luck!

Barnard College/Columbia University

Laura Pantley, Cello - Undeclared

Boston University

Joshua Blumenthal, French Horn - Horn Performance

Brown University

Benjamin Tietze, Viola - Economics/Math/Political Science

Carnegie Mellon University

Nathan Johnson, French Horn - Horn Performance

Cleveland Institute of Music

Jonathan Borgetti, Trombone - Trombone Performance

Zuren Hsueh, Cello - Cello Performance

Abigail Klein, Harp - Harp Performance

Jaimie Sachay, Viola - Viola Performance

Colburn School

Jacob Wilder, French Horn - Horn Performance

DePaul University

Amanda Akstins, Bassoon - Bassoon Performance & History

Adele-Marie Buis, Oboe - Oboe Performance

Maya Merriweather, Flute - Flute Performance &

Environmental Studies

Luke Sliva, Violin - Violin Performance

Eastman School of Music

Nathaniel Ortega, Cello - Cello Performance

Renee Vogen, French Horn - Horn Performance

Harvard University

Sydney Sawyer, Violin - History

Indiana University

Jesse Clevenger, French Horn - Horn Performance

Lawrence University

Taylor Scott, French Horn - Horn Performance & Journalism

MIT

Sophie Chung, Violin - Bioengineering & Spanish

New York University

Celine Reyes, Violin - Biology

Rice University

Carmen Abelson, Violin - Violin Performance

Adam Wagner, Violin - Architecture

Roosevelt University

Jon Samuel, Tuba - Music Education

Sarah Zilonis, Cello - Cello Performance

San Francisco Conservatory of Music

Collin Boltz, Percussion - Percussion Performance
George Samaan, Trombone - Trombone Performance

University of Illinois

Robin Chan, Bassoon - Public Affairs
Karen Gallant, Flute - Flute Performance
Brian Ostrega, Violin - Violin Performance

University of Michigan

Immanuel Abraham, Violin - Violin Performance &
Composition

University of Rochester

Abigail Sefton, Violin - Neuroscience

**Student
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