



*Simply Symphonic*  
A PROGRAM OF THE TACOMA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA



## *Help bring area fifth graders to the Symphony next spring!*

*Do you remember the first time you heard a live symphony orchestra perform?*

For more than 4,500 fifth-graders from throughout the South Sound, that first time will be with the Tacoma Symphony Orchestra at the Pantages Theater in April, 2012.

Education is central to the Tacoma Symphony Orchestra's mission, and the award-winning *Simply Symphonic* is the TSO's flagship educational offering. In this day and age, most children have few opportunities to experience the magic and power of a live professional symphony orchestra. The program provides that special performing arts experience in a way that links music to other aspects of what they are learning in school.

One of the program's hallmarks is the extensive curriculum guide provided for teachers. The guide is designed as a flexible resource, from which the teacher can choose different exercises, lessons and activities depending on their individual situation and needs. Along with the guide comes a listening CD featuring music to be performed at the concert, along with enriching instruction by Maestro Felder. Teachers have quipped that it's like having a famous conductor in the classroom!

The TSO's cost for presenting the program is \$17 per student, but in order to make *Simply Symphonic* accessible for all participants, only a nominal fee of \$3.00 per student is assessed. Moreover, the TSO waives the cost altogether in schools from districts that are identified as economically challenged. As many as 1,000 students who cannot afford the cost of admission will receive scholarships this year. This means that more than 85% of the financial resources required to make this program available must be underwritten by community investment. This investment comes in the form of foundation grants, corporate sponsorships and individual donations. **Please consider joining our other generous donors to the project, including: Bank of America, Florence Kilworth Foundation, & Tacoma Arts Commission, among many others!**

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Name-sponsor the Program: \$25,000  
Sponsor a School District: \$10-\$20,000  
Sponsor a Concert: \$5,000-\$15,000  
Sponsor a Classroom: \$1,000

The TSO will customize a benefits package for your company based on your preferences and level of sponsorship. Examples include:

- Name and Logo in the TSO program handout
- Logo projected on the back of the stage shell during concert
  - Name included in Press Release to participating School Districts for inclusion in school newsletters
  - Name and/or logo on related print and promotional materials
- Name in the TSO's regular concert program book for a year
  - Name and/or logo on the TSO website
- Major Concert sponsors will be posted on the Pantages marquee the day of the performance
  - Concert sponsors will be thanked from the stage by the TSO Executive Director during concert

Please contact Executive Director Andrew Buelow at the Tacoma Symphony Orchestra for more information on supporting Simply Symphonic.

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*A young student walked in, gazed around at the beautifully ornate Pantages Theater, heard the opening chords of the orchestra, turned to her teacher and said:*

*"Mr. Brown, are we in heaven?"*

