

Spellbinding NBSO Season Begins September 20



The New Bedford Symphony Orchestra enters its 99th season!

The New Bedford Symphony Orchestra kicks off its 99th season on Saturday, September 20, with the return of one of the most popular NBSO guest artists of all time, Italian pianist Roberto Plano. First Prize Winner of the 2001 Cleveland International Piano Competition, Finalist at the Twelfth Van Cliburn International Piano Competition in 2005, Laureate of the 2003 Honens International Piano Competition and the 2006 Axa Dublin International Piano Competition, Mr. Plano has performed throughout North America to rave reviews. He will put the audience under his spell when he joins with the NBSO to perform Schumann's dazzling Piano Concerto in A Minor.

The NBSO, under the direction of Maestro David MacKenzie, will also perform Dukas's symphonic poem, *The Sorcerer's Apprentice*, widely recognized from its appearance in the Disney film, *Fantasia*. Rounding out the evening's concert is Rimsky-Korsakov's most popular work, *Scheherazade*, based on the Arabian Nights tales.

The concert will take place at 7:30pm at the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center in downtown New Bedford. Free parking is available in the Z Garage. Prior to the concert, Dr. MacKenzie will present his popular pre-concert talk in the

Penler Space. For complete concert information, visit the NBSO website at www.nbsymphony.org.

Discounted season subscriptions are still available by calling the NBSO at 508-999-6276; subscription pricing offers significant savings when you purchase tickets to 3 or more concerts. Full-price single-concert tickets are available through the Z box office: online 24/7 at ticketing.zeiterion.org or during box office hours (Tuesday through Friday 10am-5pm, Saturday 10am-3pm), by calling 508-994-2900 or visiting the box office at 684 Purchase Street, New Bedford. Please note that \$10 student tickets must be purchased by phone or in person.

You deserve a symphony in your life—the New Bedford Symphony! The NBSO is a professional orchestra that presents a 7-concert series of classical and pops music annually, regularly performing with prize-winning guests artists from around the world. The NBSO is dedicated to building a community of music in the South Coast. Visit www.nbsymphony.org for more information.
