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Cal Poly Arts Presents Munich Symphony Orchestra Feb. 17

SAN LUIS OBISPO – As part of their extraordinary Quintessence classical music series, Cal Poly Arts is proud to present the world-class MUNICH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, with guest conductor/pianist Phillipe Entremont, on Tuesday, February 17, 2009 at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center's Harman Hall.

"Entremont's splendid pianism combined with intelligent phrasing, well-rounded intonation, and elegant restraint... (He) and his orchestra conjured up a joyous whirlwind of sound that ultimately launched the music blazing into the ether." (Washington Post)

The Orchestra will perform Wagner's Sigfried Idyll, Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 1, Op. 15, C Major, Webern's Fünf Sätze, Op. 5, and Mendelssohn's Symphony No. 4, Op. 90, A Major (Italian).

The Munich Symphony is one of Munich's four renowned symphony orchestras. The original Orchestra first formed in September 1945, when a young conductor gathered musicians to give a charity concert in aid of the Bavarian Red Cross in the war-torn ruins of Munich.

The first live radio broadcasts in post-war Munich and a much-heralded subscription concert series soon followed, marking the beginning of the Munich Symphony's success story and garnering them continual recognition as the "sound of our city."

Maestro Entremont has been principle guest and honorary conductor for many years. The innate qualities of flexibility, the ability to adapt to all forms of music without inhibitions, and the embracing of new challenges have all shaped the character of today's Munich Symphony.

These talents enable the orchestra to accompany stars and soloists such as Placido Domingo, Mischa Maisky, Elena Garanca, and Nicole Cabell. The ensemble has also been successful in musical performances for television shows and film scores, such as Silence of the Lambs.

The Orchestra performs around 100 symphonic music concerts each year, including three subscription series in Munich. Successful guest appearances outside Munich have included tours within Germany, Europe, Asia and the United States.

A pre-concert lecture by Cal Poly Music professor Alyson McLamore will be held in the Performing Arts Center's Gallery Level lobby at 7 pm.

Student and adult tickets for the performance range from \$41 to \$64 and may be purchased at the Performing Arts Center Ticket Office, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays.

To order by phone, call 805/756-2787; to order by fax: 805/756-6088.

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