



Civic Orchestra of Tucson

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“Free Orchestra Concert Features Cello Soloist”

The Civic Orchestra of Tucson continues its 41st season with a free concert titled “Old Friends and New.” The orchestra will perform the same program on Saturday, December 3, at 7:00 pm at the Tucson Jewish Community Center (3800 E River Rd, Tucson) and on Sunday, December 4, at 3:00 pm at Vistoso Community Church (1200 E Rancho Vistoso Blvd, Oro Valley).

How does Music Director Dr. Herschel Kreloff choose what music the orchestra will play? “I like to offer a combination of works that will be familiar and comfortable to audience members, and also expand their musical experiences with pieces that will be new to them.” This concert is no exception.

On the program are several well-known pieces that people will recognize, even if the works’ names might not come immediately to mind—Schubert’s Unfinished Symphony, Tchaikovsky’s Romeo and Juliet Overture-Fantasy, and Borodin’s Polovtsian Dances. Less familiar works include two beautiful works for solo cello and orchestra—Tchaikovsky’s Nocturne and Glazunov’s Chant du Ménestrel. The talented Rahşan Apay-Durdağ has performed as cello soloist and chamber musician throughout the world, including her native Turkey. Also on the program is Prokofiev’s Overture on Hebrew Themes, filled with rhythmic melodies that feature the clarinet, giving the piece an almost Klezmer feel.

For more information about this free concert, visit www.COTmusic.org or call 520-730-3371.

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