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THE LAS VEGAS PHILHARMONIC'S MASTERWORKS SERIES FILLS UNLV'S HAM HALL WITH MUSICAL LUMINARIES OF THE 20TH CENTURY!

20th Century Masters: Bartok and Gershwin, provide the musical landscape for the second concert in the Masterworks Series on Saturday, November 21st on the UNLV Campus at Artemis Ham Hall. Accompanying the Philharmonic for Gershwin's "Piano Concerto in F" is Joel Fan, an acclaimed artist with a "probing intellect and a vivid imagination" by the New York Times. A Harvard graduate, Fan is a top 10 Classical Billboard artist whose skill for the classics and grasp of world music makes him a joy for the casual listener and the seasoned concert patron alike!

The Masterworks Series is a chance for more then just fantastic music, but an education in musical craftsmanship as well! Led by Maestro David Itkin, the evening's concert will be preceded with a lecture that begins promptly at 7:15pm, giving attendees a chance to learn more about both the music and the composers featured. Bela Bartok and George Gershwin, considered two of the most celebrated composers of the last century, will be explored for this Masterworks performance. Bartok's "Concerto for Orchestra" and Gershwin's timeless "Piano Concerto in F" will captivate audiences with their dazzling and familiar melodies.

The Las Vegas Philharmonic is led by David Itkin who is in his third year with the Philharmonic. November's concert is the second in a series of five Masterworks concerts for the Las Vegas Phil's 2009-2010 season. The series will include an upcoming concert in February featuring Brahms

Double Concerto. In April the Las Vegas Philharmonic will be celebrating a once in a lifetime opportunity with Chopin's 200th Birthday. All of the information on these events and the rest of the Philharmonic's exciting 2009-2010 season can be found online at www.lvphil.com.

Tickets are available online at www.lvphil.com, or by calling the UNLV box office at 895-2787. Three levels of tickets are available at \$35, \$50 and \$75. Season tickets are also available for the Masterworks Series, the Pops Series, or both. The Philharmonic provides a shuttle service from the Summerlin and Anthem area respectively for ease of parking. These are available for \$15 and leave from the Starbright Theatre for those in Summerlin and the Independence Center for those coming from Anthem in Henderson. Bus passes can be purchased at the Box office when buying concert tickets.

For interviews with David Itkin or Joel Fan please contact the Las Vegas Philharmonic Office at 258-5438.

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WHEN - November 21, 2009 8:00pm
WHERE - Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall on the UNLV campus
TICKETS - <u>www.lvphil.com</u> and the UNLV box office at 895-2787