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Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra announces 2009-2010 Season

Dallas- The Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra (GDYO) brings together 112 of the DFW area's top high school musicians to create a season of amazing music. Led by music director, Richard Giangiulio these young people perform classical works at a professional level.

"The Season Opener," on **October 25, 2009, 7:30 pm** will feature **violinist, Chee-Yun** performing the Mendelssohn violin concerto. Chee-Yun is a violin professor at SMU and a world-renown performer. The concert also features "Timepiece" by Dr. Cindy McTee of the University of North Texas and Elgar's *Enigma Variations*.

The annual "Holiday Magic" on **December 16, 2009, 7:30 pm** features over 300 youth on the stage of the Meyerson. Along with the **Children's Chorus and Youth Chorus of Greater Dallas**, the GDYO will perform Selections from the *Nutcracker Suite*, Bach's *Sheep May Safely Graze* and works for Chorus.

"Young Virtuoso" on **March 1, 2010, 7:30 pm** will feature the winner of the **2010 GDYO Concerto Competition**. This highly competitive competition is held every season in January. Open to only members of the GDYO, the winner will be

announced in January, 2010. The March performance will also include Sibelius' *Pohjola's Daughter* and Shostakovich's Symphony No. 10.

The always popular "Season Finale" on **May 16, 2010, 7:30 pm** features the GDYO orchestra in Bartok's Concerto for Orchestra. Other works performed include, Rossini's *William Tell Overture* and Chaves' *Sinfonia India*.

Subscriptions tickets are \$32-\$130. Single tickets are \$10-\$40. You can purchase them by calling (214)528-7747 or the night of the performance at the Meyerson Box Office.

The Meyerson is located at 2301 Flora Street in Dallas. For more information go to www.gdyo.org or email info@gdyo.org.

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The Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra was founded in 1972 by parents, educators, and members of the Dallas music community. In 38 years it has grown to include 7 ensembles: The Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra, the Philharmonic, the Wind Symphony, the Sinfonietta, the Dallas String Ensemble, the Young Performers Orchestra and the Flute Choir.

In addition to performing at the Meyerson the GDYO tours internationally including China in the summer of 2007 and 2008. The Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra program offers training to over 400 talented youth musicians from age 6 through 18.

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