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Princeton Symphony Orchestra's *BRAVO!*

**in a joint venture
with**

Princeton University

**Presents
A Violin Master Class**

**Taught By
Philadelphia Orchestra Concertmaster David Kim**

**Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 3:00 pm
At Princeton University's Woolworth Music Center**

**Admission is Free, Reservations Requested
General Public, Music Students and Teachers Welcome**

Princeton, March 2, 2009... On **Tuesday, March 10, 2009**, Princeton Symphony Orchestra's *BRAVO!*, in collaboration with Princeton University, will present a violin master class led by **David Kim**, concertmaster of the Philadelphia Orchestra. The master class will be held from **3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Room 102 of Princeton University's Woolworth Music Center**. Kim, who will perform as guest soloist at PSO's March 15, 2009 concert at Richardson Auditorium, will work with four gifted violin students, three of whom are presently students at Princeton University. The fourth master class participant is a student Thomas Grover Middle School in West Windsor. The students will perform advanced classical repertoire, while Mr. Kim coaches and provides interpretive guidance. The class is open to the public and violin students are especially encouraged to attend. **For master class reservations or more information, call the PSO at (609) 497-0020 or email kklaverkamp@princetonsymphony.org.**

Edward Skolnic, a Princeton University freshman from Texas, will be playing **César Franck's Violin Sonata in A Major**, movements 1 and 2. **Tiffany Lu**, a junior from Florida will play

Johannes Brahms' Violin Sonata No. 3 in D minor, movements 1 and 2. **Ian Wong**, a freshman from California will play **J.S. Bach's Sonata in A Minor for Solo Violin**, movement 1. And **Jeffrey Kuan**, a seventh grader from West Windsor, will play **Max Bruch's Concerto in G minor**, movement 1.

About David Kim, Master Class Teacher

Violinist **David Kim** was named Concertmaster of the Philadelphia Orchestra in 1999. Born in Carbondale, Illinois, he started playing the violin at the age of three, began studies with the famed pedagogue Dorothy DeLay at the age of eight, and later received his Bachelor's and Master's degrees from The Juilliard School. In 1986 he was the only American violinist to win a prize at the International Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow, and in 1990 was a prize winner at the International Violin Competition of Indianapolis. Kim is founder and artistic director of the Kingston Chamber Music Festival at the University of Rhode Island (founded in 1989), where he also holds the position of Special Guest Artist and was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Arts in 2001.

Kim devotes a portion of his schedule each year to bringing classical music to children. In conjunction with the Kingston Chamber Music Festival, he founded an annual outreach program that has taken him to elementary schools, performing and speaking about classical music in an effort to cultivate future audiences. To date, he has performed for well over 12,000 young people in the State of Rhode Island. He also visits schools in the Philadelphia area each season.

Kim appears as soloist with the Philadelphia Orchestra, as well as with numerous orchestras around the world. Conductors with whom he has performed include Christoph von Dohnanyi, Charles Dutoit, Christoph Eschenbach, Vladimir Jurowski, Andrew Litton, Peter Oundjian, and Wolfgang Sawallisch. He also appears internationally at festivals such as Kuhmo (Finland), Pacific (Japan), and Seattle. His instrument is a J.B. Guadagnini from Milan, Italy ca. 1757 on loan from the Philadelphia Orchestra.

About the *BRAVO!* Master Class Series

This is the third year the PSO has offered master classes, which are once again being presented free of charge as part of *BRAVO!*, Princeton Symphony Orchestra's education program. The *BRAVO!* Master Class Series seeks to pair emerging talents from the region to learn, share and collaborate with a major performance artist. While this class is especially relevant to violinists, all music students and music teachers can benefit from Mr. Kim's insights and coaching. The general public and those who love classical music are all welcome to observe the class.

About *BRAVO!*

The Princeton Symphony Orchestra's highly acclaimed education program *BRAVO!* brings the excitement, magic, and brilliance of live orchestral performances to thousands of local children. *BRAVO!* establishes PSO musicians in permanent teaching partnerships at more than thirty public, private and special-need elementary schools throughout central New Jersey. Offered free of charge, *BRAVO!* is a community resource for children, teachers, and parents. Last season, students enjoyed a classic tale -- Prokofiev's *Peter and the Wolf* -- in a program called "The Nature of Music." PSO continues to expand the reach of *BRAVO!* through master classes offered to talented high school instrumentalists, through regional youth orchestra conducting workshops, and through the new *ListenUp!* series for middle school students. *ListenUp!* invites students to create art in response to what they hear at PSO concerts.

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