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Oakland Symphony 2018 Gala
Saturday, November 10
Rotunda Building, Oakland

(Oakland, CA, October 30 2018) – Oakland Symphony will host its annual Gala on Saturday, November 10 at the Rotunda Building in downtown Oakland. The evening will celebrate the Oakland Symphony’s decades long work building bridges in the community through music. All proceeds from the Gala will support the organization’s artistic and education programs.

Oakland Symphony Board of Trustee James Hasler will serve as Gala Chair. Gala committee includes Bonnie Bell, Bette Epstein, Paul Garrison, Dale Marie Golden, Mary-Jo Knight, Linda Lipner, and Hillary Walker.

"It is a great honor to Chair this year’s Oakland Symphony Gala," said James Hasler. "We are looking forward to celebrating what it means to be a leader in the Symphony field today as the organization continues to build audiences, expand programming, and further engage our wonderfully diverse community. Our education programs are growing as we support music education for all, especially those with fewer resources and opportunities. Michael Morgan and the Symphony has done an exemplary job working with local artists and arts organizations to create and perform together in way that celebrates our shared values."

Supporters will enjoy a lively cocktail hour and seated dinner followed by a performance from Oakland Symphony, Chorus, and Youth Orchestra musicians. The Oakland Symphony will be playing stunning excerpts from a symphony by Le Chavalier de Saint-Georges. He was a French contemporary of Mozart, a violin virtuoso and favorite of Marie-Antoinette, and is recognized as the first classical composer of African descent.

Tickets and Information

Pricing:

\$10,000 Gold Sponsor Table

\$5,000 Silver Sponsor Table

\$2,800 Host Table

\$350 Single Ticket

For more information, please contact Laili Gohartaj, *Associate Director of Development*, lgohartaj@oaklandsymphony.org.

Oakland Symphony’s 2018-19 Season kicked off on October 12 and will continue to May 2019. Season highlights include Brahms’s *Requiem* and Richard Marriott’s *Ghost Ship Concerto* on

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Friday, November 16, the annual holiday concert “Break Bread” on December 16, Notes from the African Diaspora on January 25, and the second installment of *Playlist* featuring the musical selections from Dolores Huerta, the Mexican-American labor leader and civil rights activist who, with Cesar Chavez, co-founded the United Farm Workers. President Obama honored her with the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2012. The Season concludes with *West Side Story* on May 10, 2019.

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