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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Lincoln's Symphony Orchestra Presents Classical Concert, "Brandenburg & Becker"

(LINCOLN, Neb. – Oct. 18, 2021) Lincoln's Symphony Orchestra returns to the Lied Center for Performing Arts for their Classical performance, **Brandenburg & Becker** on **Friday, November 12, 2021 at 7:30pm**.

Led by **Music Director Edward Polochick**, the program will open with Johann Sebastian Bach's *Brandenburg Concertos No. 1 in F major* and *No. 3 in G major*. Regarded as some of the highest compositions of the baroque era, these two concertos showcase LSO's strings, oboes, and horns with Maestro Polochick conducting from the harpsichord.

"It is with great joy and anticipation that the first half of our second classical concert will feature two incredible works by Bach," says LSO Music Director Edward Polochick. "A concerto of all soloists, we open with the third *Brandenburg Concerto* which features one player on a part. Written with nine different parts, it extols the brilliant virtuosity of three violinists, three violists, and three cellists, in addition to an added double bass continuo and myself conducting from the harpsichord."

"The *Brandenburg Concerto No. 1* features two French horn soloists, three oboes, and a violin solo accompanied by a small string orchestra," says Polochick. "Both concertos are intricate, lyrical, virtuosic, and romantic in their depth of sound and beauty."

To pair with these masterful works, **LSO Principal Cello Karen Becker** will take the stage after intermission to perform Kurt Atterberg's gloriously romantic *Concerto for Cello in C minor, op. 21*.

"I'm absolutely thrilled to have the opportunity to introduce the cello concerto of Kurt Atterberg under the direction of LSO Maestro Edward Polochick," says LSO Principal Cello Karen Becker. "Written in 1922, this lush, neo-romantic work will have audience members wanting to hear more from this Swedish composer. Known for his orchestral works, Atterberg's compositional style is inspired by great Russian composers such as Shostakovich, as well as Brahms and fellow Scandinavian Jean Sibelius. I look forward to sharing this exciting and passionate music with the Lincoln audience!"

Tickets for the concert are available for purchase online at www.lincolnsymphony.com, by phone at (402) 476-2211, or by visiting Lincoln's Symphony Orchestra's box office (233 S. 13th St., Ste. 1702).

LSO requires that every audience member ages 12 and over provides proof of vaccination or proof of a negative test taken within the previous 72 hours, prior to being admitted to the venue. Regular main floor seating configuration will be utilized, and every patron (regardless of age) is required to wear a mask that covers their nose and mouth at all times while in the concert venue. In lieu of offering concerts via streaming, LSO is implementing an "Enhanced Safety Seating Zone" in order to accommodate patrons who have concerns about their personal risk level. Please contact the LSO box office to request special seating in this zone; audience members in this zone are required to wear their mask at all times, and will be seated in their requested pods with a minimum of six feet of distance between each group.

New this season: LSO will make the Pre-Concert Chat available to view online beginning at 12:00pm on Thursday prior to the concert. Hosted by Nebraska Public Media's Genevieve Randall, each chat is an in-depth look at the music with Maestro Polochick and special guests. The Pre-Concert Chat will also be screened in the Steinhart Room at 6:4pm5 prior to the concert. LSO's Pre-Concert Chats are supported in part by Humanities Nebraska.

To stay current with symphony events, follow Lincoln's Symphony Orchestra on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter – and don't forget to use #LSOLove when sharing your symphony experience.

In an effort to make all LSO concerts financially accessible, LSO's tickets are available for only \$15 or \$35 each for adults, inclusive of all ticketing and facility fees. Tickets for youth ages 17 and under are available for \$5 each, made possible by the Lienemann Charitable Foundation.

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