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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Lincoln's Symphony Orchestra Presents Pops Concert, "Deck the Halls"**

**(LINCOLN, Neb. – November 23, 2021)** Lincoln's Symphony Orchestra welcomes you to the Lied Center for Performing Arts for their annual holiday concert, **Deck the Halls**, on **Sunday, December 5, 2021 at 2:00pm or 6:00pm.**

Concert-goers will be treated to a wide variety of seasonal favorites, led by guest conductor Lucas Waldin.

"I cannot wait to return to the LSO for another year of holiday cheer," says Waldin. "This is my favorite time of year, and having the opportunity to work with the lovely musicians of the LSO and the outstanding tenor Drew Duncan will surely be a highlight of my holiday season."

Bell-issimo, a Lincoln-based, audition-only handbell choir, will add its own sparkle to the program. They will be featured on arrangements of *Go Tell It On the Mountain*, *White Christmas*, and *Silent Night*. Tenor Drew Duncan will sing several songs with LSO, including *We Need a Little Christmas*, *The Christmas Song*, *Let It Snow*, and more.

"To me, an orchestra represents all that's best about a community, and never is this more true than at LSO's annual 'Deck the Halls' concerts," says LSO Executive Director Barbara Zach Lee. "We are overjoyed to bring the entire orchestra back onstage for this concert, and it is such a pleasure to welcome guest conductor Lucas Waldin and the incredibly talented musicians of Bell-issimo to join the orchestra in performing some of the most beloved holiday music."

Tickets for the concert are available for purchase online at [www.lincolnsymphony.com](http://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.

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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