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## La Crosse Symphony Orchestra

What a blessing to serve a community that I love so much! In my 14th and final year as the Music Director of the LSO I look forward to one more exciting season of sharing great music and artists with you, our LSO family and friends. Whether you are buying your first LSO ticket or you have been attending for years, the experience will be fun, passionate, powerful, joyful and fulfilling...I'll see you at the symphony!

Amy Mills, Music Director

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**6:45 CONCERT PREVIEW** Join other concert goers for an informative session on the evening's music in the Recital Hall of the Viterbo University Fine Arts Center before each concert.

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Amy Mills  
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## Friends from Near & Far

Say "Bienvenido" to Maestro Eduardo Alvarez from Acapulco, Mexico! He will work with our own fantastic LSO principal flute player, Margaret Rowland, in the Arnold "Concerto for Flute and Strings, Opus 45. He'll also bring music with the fire and romance of Mexico!



*Huapango*  
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Respighi  
*Miracle of Hanukah*  
Davis  
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Mills  
*Songs of the Season*  
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**Kathryn Skemp**  
Soprano



**Rabbi Saul (Simcha) Prombaum**  
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December 19 & 20, 2008

## Happy Holidays

Opera star soprano Kathryn Skemp returns and joins tenor, Thomas Munderloh to perform songs of the season. So many of you have asked to hear "The Miracle of Hanukah" again, Rabbi Simcha Prombaum has graciously agreed to narrate this warm and delightful piece about the history of the holiday and how it is celebrated in homes today. We'll open with Respighi's delightful "Trittico Botticelliano" and end with our traditional Christmas carol sing-along.

February 6 & 7, 2009

## Coming Home

Double Bass Brad Annis will take a working vacation from the Israel Philharmonic and return to his hometown of La Crosse to play the most famous bass concerto ever written...the Koussevitzky. Have you ever heard a bass concerto? It's a terrific experience! We'll also perform music by Schumann, one of the greatest composers of melodies, in his Symphony No. 4. And, you may not know this one, but you'll love its quirky humor and powerful drama, Richard Strauss's "Till Eulenspiegel's Merry Pranks."



**John W. Moore, DDS, S.C.**  
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**Brad Annis**  
Double Bass

March 6 & 7, 2009

## And the Winner is...

*Rising Stars Concerto Competition Winners*  
Special Guest Conductor

In keeping with tradition, the winners of the Conductor Wannabe contest will open the program. Then the two winners of the LSO's concerto competition (piano and instrumental divisions) will perform. The guest conductor for this concert will be announced later.



David P. Ludington, DDS  
Martin J. Koop, DDS

April 24 & 25, 2009

## Farewell Concert

After 14 years of extraordinary artistic direction, the LSO bids farewell to Maestra Amy Mills. The LSO musicians, staff and patrons are grateful for her enthusiast support and dedication. She will be greatly missed by all!

Hearing and seeing the Verdi "Requiem" is a thrilling and unforgettable experience. Italian composer, Giuseppe Verdi, one of the greatest opera composers who ever lived, directed his dramatic and musical genius to the creation of one of the world's greatest masterpieces. In Verdi's hand, the Requiem became a thrilling and dramatic concert piece depicting the full fury and glory of the Almighty. With gorgeous melodies, thundering rhythms, powerful drama, and finally, incredible peace, the piece is sublimely uplifting and fulfilling.



*Requiem*  
Verdi

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