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Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra Welcomes CEO and Launches 2016-17 Season

The Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra (NSO) this week announced the arrival of new CEO, Hugh Donnan as it prepares to launch an exciting season of concerts and events featuring local and world-class artists performing a diverse array of classical, modern and other works.

"I am honoured to be joining the NSO as we embark on the 2016-17 season. The program this year really does offer something for everyone with works by Brahms and Beethoven, a special concert of remembrance featuring the Royal Newfoundland Regiment Band and the Philharmonic Choir, and our annual Messiah and Big Band Shows. I look forward to working with the entire NSO family as we continue to expand our programming and offer a great entertainment experience for the whole family"

Hugh Donnan, CEO, Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra

Hugh joins the NSO following five years in senior communications roles with the Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Government, and twelve years previous to that in marketing and management positions with Stratos (now Inmarsat).

"I am very pleased to have Hugh aboard as our new CEO. Hugh brings great experience in communications and management to the role, and is very familiar with the artistic community in this province. As we begin the new season I will be looking forward to working with him, ensuring the growth of our organization and bringing exciting orchestral repertoire to new and faithful audiences alike."

Marc David, Music Director

This weekend also marks the beginning of the 2016-17 season, with the Masterworks 1 concert taking place this Friday, September 23 beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Arts and Culture Centre in St. John's. Soloist for the evening will be pianist Scott MacIsaac performing works by Taylor, Rachmaninov and Tchaikovsky.

The Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra was established in 1962 and incorporated in 1979, and is the largest arts organization and biggest employer of professional musicians in Newfoundland and Labrador. The orchestra also offers programming through the NSO Sinfonia, the Atlantic String Quartet and two companion organizations – the Newfoundland Symphony Youth Orchestra and the Philharmonic Choir of the Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra.



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