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NSO Announces First RBC Emerging Artist Conductor Fellowship

The Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra is delighted to announce this week the recipient of the inaugural RBC Emerging Artist Conductor Fellowship is Kerri MacPhee. The new program offered through the orchestra and sponsored by RBC, and in collaboration with the School of Music, offers a fellowship to a graduate instrumental conducting student preparing for a professional career involving conducting.

“We are so pleased to have Kerri joining us through this new program,” said Marc David, Music Director of the Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra. “Kerri will have the opportunity to work with me as an apprentice and will have the opportunity to conduct the orchestra in various rehearsals as well as during at least one public performance. This will definitely help develop her skills, and give her much needed experience at the start of her music career.”

In addition, through this fellowship, the emerging artist will have the opportunity to work with established local professional musicians and celebrated guest artists. A stipend will be provided as part of this fellowship.

“At RBC we believe in the importance of supporting the arts in communities across the country,” said Ron Beer, VP and Portfolio Manager with RBC Dominion Securities. “This new conducting fellowship offered by the NSO is exactly the type of program which we strive to put in place to benefit young artists who, through their commitment, are building on our culture as Canadians.”

Mrs. MacPhee will hold the position of RBC Emerging Artist Conductor for the remainder of the 2017-18 season. In addition to working with the NSO, she will also support the educational work of the orchestra, assisting with upcoming educational projects this spring.

“Working with Marc and the NSO is a huge opportunity, and being able to collaborate with such a high calibre orchestra will be an invaluable experience,” said Mrs. MacPhee. “I have already begun to attend rehearsals, and look forward to the remainder of the season under Marc’s mentorship.”



Stay tuned for information on where and when Mrs. MacPhee will take the podium to conduct the Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra.

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