

# River Oaks Chamber Orchestra

## 2009-2010 Season

### **ROCO Announces its Fifth Season**

The River Oaks Chamber Orchestra is launching its 2009-2010 season with the theme, “**Classical Gems from a Houston Treasure**”. The season features a subscription series of three concerts at St. John the Divine, encore performances in various venues, several exciting collaborations, salon concerts, and “music tasting” events. A treasure hunt, created by professional treasure hunt designer, Jonni Laforce, will be woven throughout the season. The treasure hunt will include clues that enhance the audience’s enjoyment of the music and highlight season sponsors.

### **ROCO 2009-2010 Season Schedule**

#### **Subscription Series – Saturdays, 5pm, at St. John the Divine, with ROCOrooters\***

- Oct 10 – Season Opener, featuring Joel Smirnoff conducting Haydn’s Miracle Symphony
- Feb 13 - Conductorless! Bach, Beethoven and Brahms, featuring piano soloist, Simone Dinnerstein
- April 17 – World premiere of Buffalo Bayou Suite, documentary film score, conducted by Robert Moody

*\*ROCOrooters music education/childcare program runs concurrent and after each concert at St. John’s so that parents may enjoy the concert and dinner afterward while the kids enjoy an enriching, educational experience.*

#### **Encore Performances - locations and times vary**

- October 11 – Joel Smirnoff conducts Haydn’s Miracle Symphony, 7pm, at Chapelwood Methodist Church
- Feb 14 - *Conductorless!* Bach, Beethoven and Brahms, featuring piano soloist, Simone Dinnerstein at a time and location to be announced
- April 18 – World premiere of Buffalo Bayou Suite, documentary film score, conducted by Robert Moody, at Bayou Bend, 6:30

#### **ROCOco “Music Tastings”**

Great music, fine wine and good company – that’s “ROCO company,” or ROCOCO. This season, in addition to our traditional music and wine tasting events, ROCOCO will host a “Beer and Brass” ROCOCO sponsored by St. Arnold’s, and featuring French Horn soloist, Danielle Kuhlmann, on September 29<sup>th</sup>.

- Sep 29 - Beer and Brass Music Tasting sponsored by St. Arnold’s and featuring French Horn soloist, Danielle Kuhlmann
- Nov 10, Jan 26, and Mar 30 – Wine and Music Tastings sponsored by The Tasting Room in Uptown Park

### **Salon Concerts and Collaborations**

- Week of October 25 – Salon concert “Musical Ofrenda” with Lawndale Art Center as part of the Dia de los Muertos celebration
- October – Master classes at HSPVA – ROCO principal musicians offer instrumental music classes to area students
- December - Yuletide concert at Bayou Bend, featuring percussionist, Matt McClung
- February 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> – ROCO and Chopin Society present Adam Golka, pianist and Thomas Golka, conductor, at Stude Concert Hall at Rice University
- Spring, 2010 – ROCO and The Children’s Museum are working together to present a “multi-sensory” performance of *Peter and the Wolf*
- May 7, 2010 – “Aperio: Music of the Americas” with Michael Zuraw

*See [rocohouston.org](http://rocohouston.org) for specific dates and details for these performances and programs*

### **About ROCO**

The River Oaks Chamber Orchestra is a professional chamber orchestra of 40 all-star musicians, distinguished conductors, and famous composers, who come together from all over the world to present unexpected classics, original compositions, and delightful performances that dissolve the barriers between audience and orchestra. Founded in 2005 by principal oboist, Alecia Lawyer, ROCO is “creating personal relationships through the language of music.” [www.rocohouston.org](http://www.rocohouston.org)