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**GUEST CONDUCTOR VASSILY SINAISKY
TO LEAD THE ATLANTA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA IN WORKS
BY LISZT, BEETHOVEN, AND STRAVINSKY
MARCH 11 -13, 2010**

**Concert To Feature Pianist Kirill Gerstein
Performing Liszt's Piano Concerto No. 2**

Guest Conductor Vassily Sinaisky will lead the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra in Liszt's Piano Concerto No. 2, with guest pianist Kirill Gerstein; Beethoven's *Leonore* Overture No. 3; and Stravinsky's *Pétrouchka*. The concerts will be March 11-13, 2010 at 8:00 p.m. at Atlanta Symphony Hall at the Woodruff Arts Center.

Fanfare Pre-Concert Dinner Buffet

A great ASO tradition returns in the 2009-2010 season — *Fanfare*, the pre-concert buffet-style dining by Restaurant Associates, will be available to all concertgoers at all Delta Classical, SuperPops, and Coca-Cola Holiday concert-evening performances from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m... [\(more\)](#)

Concert Preview Talks

Audiences have the opportunity to learn more about the music they'll be hearing at concerts with free [Concert Previews](#), hosted by ASO Insider and Program Annotator Ken Meltzer. Join Mr. Meltzer and his special guests; —composers, conductors, and musicians—for lively and informative discussions. All concert previews are located in Atlanta Symphony Hall and are **free and open to all concert ticket-holders**. (Speakers and locations are subject to change.)

About the Repertoire

BEETHOVEN(1770-1827)

Leonore Overture No. 3

Ludwig van Beethoven was baptized in Bonn, Germany, on December 17, 1770, and died in Vienna, Austria, on March 26, 1827. The first performance of the *Leonore* Overture No. III took place on March 29, 1806 in Vienna at the Theater an der Wien, as part of the premiere of the revised version of *Fidelio*...[\(more\)](#)

LISZT (1811-1886)

Piano Concerto No. 2, Opus 72b

Franz Liszt was born in Raiding, Hungary, on October 22, 1811, and died in Bayreuth, Germany, on July 31, 1886. The first performance of the Piano Concerto No. 2 took place in Weimar, Germany, on January 7, 1857, with Hans von Bronsart as soloist and the composer conducting...[\(more\)](#)

STRAVINSKY (1882-1971)

Pétrouchka (1947 version)

Igor Stravinsky was born in Lomonosov, Russia, on June 17, 1882 and died in New York on April 6, 1971. The first performance of *Pétrouchka* took place at the Théâtre du Chatelet in Paris, France, on June 13, 1911, with Pierre Monteux conducting...[\(more\)](#)

About the Artists

Vassily Sinaisky's international career was launched in 1973 when he won the Gold Medal at the prestigious Karajan Competition in Berlin. His early work as Assistant to the legendary Kondrashin at Moscow Philharmonic, and his study with Ilya Musin at the Leningrad Conservatoire provided him with an incomparable grounding...[\(more\)](#)

Already recognized for his deeply musical interpretations and masterful technique, **Kirill Gerstein** was the First Prize winner at the 2001 Arthur Rubinstein Piano Competition in Tel Aviv and has concertized in the intervening years in virtually all major international music centres...[\(more\)](#)

About the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra

The **Atlanta Symphony Orchestra**, now in its 65th season, is considered one of America's leading orchestras, known for the excellence of its live performances, presentations, renowned choruses, and its impressive list of Grammy® Award-winning recordings... [\(more\)](#)

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This concert is part of the Delta Classical Concert Series. **Delta Air Lines** is the Official Airline of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra.

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Single tickets for these performances are \$20 to \$75. All single for the 2009-2010 are now available online at **atlantasymphony.org** or by calling **(404) 733-5000**. Tickets may also be purchased at the **Woodruff Arts Center Box Office** located in the Woodruff Arts Center at 15th and Peachtree Streets. Box office hours are Monday through Friday 10am-8pm, and Saturday and Sunday 12pm to 8pm.

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VASSILY SINAISKY MAKES ASO DEBUT
Delta Classical Series

Atlanta Symphony Hall, Memorial Arts Building, Woodruff Arts Center

Thursday, March 11, 2010, 8:00 p.m.

Friday, March 12, 2010, 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 13, 2010, 8:00 p.m.

Vassily Sinaisky, conductor*

Kirill Gerstein, piano

Atlanta Symphony Orchestra

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Leonore Overture No. 3

Piano Concerto No. 2

Pétrouchka (1947)

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