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**LOCAL ATLANTAN REBEKAH DOSSOU
WINS “ATLANTA SYMPHONY SONGSTER 2010” VOCAL COMPETITION
Joseph Brewer (Columbus, Ga.) Finishes in Second Place
Christina Lewis (Cincinnati, Oh.) Finishes in Third Place**

**MS. DOSSOU WILL TRAVEL TO NEW YORK CITY TO SEE
ATLANTA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA PERFORM AT CARNEGIE HALL IN OCTOBER 2010**

Local Atlantian, **Rebekah Dossou** (Lilburn, Ga.), won the “Atlanta Symphony Songster 2010” amateur vocal competition on Saturday, August 14, 2010. After submitting a [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com) video of her singing “Over the Rainbow,” Ms. Dossou was one of three finalists selected by a panel of judges to perform the famous song live with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra prior to the start of the *The Wizard of Oz* concert this past Saturday. The competition was also streamed live on [UStream.com](https://www.ustream.com), and audience members voted for the winner by text message and online voting. After nearly 1200 votes, Turner Classic Movies’ own Ben Mankiewicz, announced at intermission that Ms. Dossou was the winner. **Joseph Brewer** (Columbus, Ga.) finished in second place. **Christina Lewis** (Cincinnati, Oh.) finished in third place. [View the competition here..](#)

Last month, amateur singers, age 18 and older, were invited by the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Turner Classic Movies to compete in the “Atlanta Symphony Songster 2010” vocal competition, offering a chance to sing with the Orchestra at Verizon Wireless Amphitheatre at Encore Park. The concert featured the Orchestra performing the music to the classic film, *The Wizard of Oz* — a theme carried into the vocal competition. Nearly 100 contestants submitted a two-minute video of themselves singing “Over the Rainbow,” the famous song performed by Judy Garland in the film. Three finalists were selected by a panel of judges including Atlanta Symphony Orchestra President **Stanley Romanstein**, Staff Conductor & Atlanta Symphony Youth Orchestra Music Director **Jere Flint**, Principal Flute **Christina Smith**, and The Recording Academy® Atlanta Chapter Board Members **Brandon Bush** and **Adam McKnight**.

Ms. Dossou, the first prize winner, receives two domestic round-trip tickets to New York, one hotel room, and two concert tickets to see the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra perform at Carnegie Hall on Saturday, October 30, 2010, along with a TCM gift basket containing books, DVDs, and more.

Mr. Brewer, the second prize winner, receives two complementary tickets to the Opening Night concert and party of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra’s 2010-11 season, plus a backstage tour of Turner Studios (pending date availability), a visit to the TCM set, and lunch at Studio Canteen for two people, and a TCM gift basket containing books, DVDs, and more.

Ms. Lewis, the third prize winner, receives a voucher for two complementary tickets to a concert in the Orchestra's 2010-11 season at Atlanta Symphony Hall, and a TCM gift basket containing books, DVDs, and more.

[Original Contest Information](#)

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