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**VIOLINIST LEONIDAS KAVAKOS TO CONDUCT AND PERFORM
WITH ATLANTA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
MARCH 22–24, 2012**

Program To Include Music By Mozart And Beethoven

Acclaimed violinist Leonidas Kavakos will take both center stage and the podium to lead the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra in a program including Mozart's Violin Concerto No. 3 and Symphony No. 34, and Beethoven's Symphony No. 4. The performances will take place March 22–24 at 8:00 p.m., in Atlanta Symphony Hall at the Woodruff Arts Center.

These performances will mark Mr. Kavakos's second appearance with the Atlanta Symphony. He most recently appeared with the Orchestra in March 2009. This will be the first time that Mr. Kavakos has performed and conducted this repertoire with the Orchestra.

About the Repertoire

MOZART

Violin Concerto No. 3

Although Mozart, the instrumentalist, is best known as a keyboard virtuoso, he was also a highly accomplished violinist. In 1772, the Archbishop of Salzburg appointed the 16-year-old Mozart as conductor and concertmaster of the Salzburg Court Orchestra... ([more](#))

MOZART

Symphony No. 34

In September of 1777, Mozart began an 18-month journey to Munich, Augsburg, Mannheim and Paris. Mozart hoped his travels would lead to new employment opportunities that would finally allow him to leave his native city of Salzburg... ([more](#))

BEETHOVEN

Symphony No. 4

Toward the end of his life, Beethoven, speaking of his only opera, commented: "Of all my children, (*Fidelio*) is the one that caused me the worst birth-pangs, the one that brought me the most sorrow, and for that reason, it is the most dear to me"... ([more](#))

About the Artists

Leonidas Kavakos has established himself as a violinist and artist of rare quality, known at the highest level for his virtuosity, superb musicianship and integrity... ([more](#))

About the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra

The **Atlanta Symphony Orchestra**, currently in its 67th season, consistently affirms its position as one of America's leading Orchestras by performing great music, presenting great artists, educating, and engaging... ([more](#))

Concert Previews

Audiences have the opportunity to learn more about the music they'll be hearing at concerts with free [Concert Previews](#) given by composers, conductors, educators, and musical experts, all hosted by [ASO Insider and Program Annotator Ken Meltzer](#). Thursday evenings, 7:00–7:30 p.m. in Symphony Hall (unless otherwise noted). Concerts previews are **free and open to all concert ticket holders**. Speakers and locations are subject to change.

Fanfare Pre-Concert Dinner Buffet

An Atlanta Symphony tradition returns in the 2011–2012 season — *Fanfare*, the pre-concert buffet-style dining by Legendary Partners, will be available to all concertgoers at all evening Delta Classical, Superpops!, and the Cola-Cola Holiday concert performances from 6:00–8:00 p.m. ... ([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 \$21 to \$79. All single tickets for the 2011–2012 season are on sale now, and 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 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Tuesday through Friday 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Saturday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; and Sunday 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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LEONIDAS KAVAKOS CONDUCTS AND PERFORMS MOZART, BEETHOVEN

Delta Classical Series

Atlanta Symphony Hall, Memorial Arts Building, Woodruff Arts Center

Thursday, March 22, 2012, 8:00 p.m.

Friday, March 23, 2012, 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 24, 2012, 8:00 p.m.

Leonidas Kavakos, conductor and violin
Atlanta Symphony Orchestra

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Violin Concerto No. 3

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