



# CHEERS!

## Rachel Barton Pine talks about Mozart

Virtuoso violinist Rachel Barton Pine will perform Mozart's "Turkish Violin Concerto No. 5" with the Pasadena Symphony on March 18. She answers questions about the piece.



**Q** What do you love about playing Mozart's 5th Violin Concerto?

**A** The thing that I most enjoy about Mozart's music is the emotions that range from playfulness to dramatic. I think KV219 in A major is the most original and adventurous of Mozart's violin concertos. It features some daringly imaginative structural experiments. There is material in this work that one can almost imagine as an operatic dialogue taking place between two characters, at times flirtatious, sentimental, anxious and even angry.

**Q** Who are your favorite composers and their compositions?

**A** It is really impossible to pick a favorite, but if I had to play one solo concerto, it would probably be the Brahms. Also, my musical part-

ner, the violin that I'm privileged to use during my lifetime, is the 1742 "ex-Bazzini, ex-Soldat" Guarneri del Gesù. Brahms hand-picked this very instrument for Marie Soldat. She was one of the rare 19th century women violin soloists, a protégé of Brahms

and one of the first champions of his concerto. I also particularly love playing Bach's unaccompanied works. Bach's relationship to his music is a constant reminder of my role and responsibilities as an artist.

**Q** What violinists or other musicians inspire you?

**A** My violin hero is Maud Powell (1867-1920), the first American violinist to achieve international renown. She broke so much new ground, including becoming the first instrumental recording star of the Victor Talking Machine Company, championing works by black composers, and leading a string quartet whose other members were men.

**Q** How do you strive to connect with audiences through your music?

**A** To most fully bring the music to life, I analyze the structure of the music, learn about the lives of the composer and dedicatee, and research the performance practices of their time and place. After all of that preparation, I rely on my own instincts and feelings about the music. There is absolutely nothing better than the joy of being part of a shared musical experience. It is really exciting to see new audiences discover classical.

The Pasadena Symphony offers matinee and evening performances at 2 and 8 p.m. at Ambassador Auditorium, 131 S. St. John Ave., Pasadena. Subscription packages start as low as \$99 with single tickets starting at \$35.

For more information or tickets, go to [pasadenasympphony-pops.org](http://pasadenasympphony-pops.org) or call the box office at 626-793-7172.

## Regan offers medical certification 3-in-1

Bolstering its nationwide status as a school for quality accelerated education, the Regan Career Institute (RCI) announces the availability of its 3-In-1 Medical Assistant Plus Program. Registration is year-round.

Upon completion of the program, the student will be eligible for Phlebotomy State Certification, Electrocardiograph National Certification and Medical Assistant State/National Certification. This is a unique RCI program.

The course is open to all students with a high school diploma and/or general education degree. The RCI Medical Assistant Plus Program is a 36-week comprehensive program.

Upon successful completion of the didactic/theory and practical/lab classes, students will complete four weeks in a clinical externship where they would apply the knowledge learned in the classroom setup. Graduates will be prepared for both front and back office medical assisting duties. It also prepares students to move into advanced medical degrees.

Students will have the option to include the State and Nationally Certified Phlebotomy training course and a National Electrocardiograph with Intro to Holter Monitor training concurrently. Successful completion of RCI's MA+ program awards the student with all three state and nationally recognized certificates in Medical

Assisting, Phlebotomy (CPT1) and EKG.

"This course will provide a vast array of knowledge for students, giving them the best opportunity to succeed. Students will be more marketable when seeking employment," said Julian Lee, president and CEO of RCI.

RCI's MA program will prepare the students to become multi-skilled professionals dedicated to assisting in patient care management. These health care professionals will perform administrative and clinical duties and may manage emergency situations, facilities and/or personnel. Medical Assistants will work in physicians' offices, clinics, hospitals and other medical

facilities under the supervision of a physician.

In RCI's MA and MA+ courses, you will learn front office and back office skills, including administrative duties, telephone triage, medical/medical insurance verification, patient charting and assessment, medical terminology, ICD and CPT, patient appointment scheduling, preparation of patients for examination, vital science, lab procedures, assisting in minor surgery, bandaging, giving injections (IM, ID, SC, Glutes, Z-track), pediatrics, OBGYN, phlebotomy and much more.

Financial aid is available to those who qualify. For more information, call the school at 626-455-0312.



## Ethan Allen brings Disney to town

The Ethan Allen Disney Open House on Feb. 25 at the Pasadena Ethan Allen Design Center was a great success, according to the organizers.

An all-new collection, designed and made exclusively by Ethan Allen, inspired by Disney, is available for every room in your home and everyone who lives there. If you love Mickey and Minnie Mouse, if you love the unexpected and fun, if you love great style, if you've never lost your sense of wonder — you're going to love it. All at Ethan Allen Pasadena.

The Pasadena Ethan Allen Design Center is at 445 N. Rosemead Blvd., Pasadena. For more information, call 626-351-9661.

## Shmavon Shmavonyan art on exhibit one weekend

A.G.B.U. Vatche and Tamar Manoukian Center are proud to host an exhibition of Armenian artist Shmavon Shmavonyan on March 10 at 2495 E. Mountain St. in Pasadena. "An Extraordinary Art Exhibition" will feature Shmavonyan's latest oil paintings, as well as familiar work that has been exhibited around the world.

This show will be the second time in the last year that Shmavonyan has



shown his work in Pasadena, after last year's donation of a painting of Pasadena City Hall that was installed

in the Donald R. Wright Auditorium of the Pasadena Central Library. Pasadena Weekly said, "To look at his

paintings, one can see his art reflects the influence on Impressionism with a bit of Mark Chagal and the look of stained glass throw in."

The opening reception begins at 7 p.m., and hors d'ourves and wine are included. "An Extraordinary Art Exhibition" will remain open for the rest of the weekend, March 11 from 7 to 11 p.m. and March 12 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. They hope to see you there.

## Registration opens Monday at West Covina Unified

The West Covina Unified School District (WCUSD) will begin registration for the 2017-2018 school year beginning Monday.

Here are just a few of the innovative learning experiences that are offered to best meet the needs of your child: a range of exceptional educational programs in a variety of school configurations — Transitional kindergarten to 2nd grade, grades 3-6, K-5, K-6, 6-8, 7-8 and 9-12; full-day transitional kindergarten and kindergarten at every elementary school; one-to-One Chromebook computer program — Kindergarten through third grade; small class sizes in transitional kindergarten through 3rd grade and 9th grade English/math; Dual Language Immersion Program in Spanish and English to cultivate bilingualism; after-school programs at elementary and middle school sites; International Baccalaureate Primary Years, Middle Years and Diploma Programme at Cameron Elementary, Orangewood Elementary, Edgewood Middle and Edgewood High Schools

WCUSD middle schools offer the most instructional minutes in the San Gabriel Valley, with available electives in visual arts, music and technology.

The full comprehensive high school program at West Covina High School offers Advanced Placement (AP) courses, including AP Capstone, four world languages and Air Force JROTC.

Engineering Career Pathways at Edgewood and West Covina High Schools funded by a \$2.5 million grant.

Find out more about the district at [www.wcusd.org](http://www.wcusd.org) or call the Office of Student Services at 626-939-4600, ext. 4682.

### The Caltech Symphony

**Allen Robert Gross, Conductor**  
**Sunday, March 5th, 2017**  
**Ramo Auditorium, Caltech • 3:30p.m.**

**Beethoven**  
*Egmont Overture*

**Brahms**  
*Variations on a Theme by Haydn*

**Shostakovich**  
**Symphony No. 9**

Admission is free & no tickets are required.  
 For further information, contact  
 Caltech Performing and Visual Arts  
 at 626/395-3295

## Behind-the-Scenes Tours

Sat. & Sun., March 11 & 12  
1, 2, 3, & 4 p.m.

**See the basements and other places that are seldom seen by the general public. Hour-long tours are free, but space on each tour is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.**

**Please note: This tour includes multiple staircases that will restrict access for visitors with limited mobility.**

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**FRIDAY**  
**MARCH 10**  
**6-10 PM**

PASADENA

Enjoy a free evening of art, music and entertainment as Pasadena's most prominent arts and cultural institutions swing open their doors.

## 2017, The Will Eisner Centennial Year

Celebrate the life and work of legendary graphic artist Will Eisner (1917-2005) on the 100th anniversary of his birth (1917-2005).

**Panel discussion moderated by:** Julie Benson, Nerdist Comics

**Featuring comics artists and author panelists:**  
 Ben Acker • Ben Blacker • Meg Hutchison • Colin Kelly  
 Jackson Lanzing • Andrew Miller • Richard Starking • James Tynion.

Books will be for sale and signing following the event.

Saturday, March 11  
 2:00 p.m. • Central Library/Studio on 4th

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**FREE SHUTTLES**  
 Free shuttles, running 6-10 p.m., will loop throughout the evening with stops at each venue.

**PASADENA TRANSIT**  
 Pasadena Transit 10 runs along Colorado Boulevard and Green Street until 8 p.m. Information at [pasadenatransit.net](http://pasadenatransit.net).

**METRO GOLD LINE**  
 Attend ArtNight by taking the Metro Gold Line to the Memorial Park Station in Pasadena. Check [metro.net](http://metro.net) for information.

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ArtNight is an ongoing partnership among many cultural institutions and the Cultural Affairs Division of the City of Pasadena. More information: 626 744-7887. Accessibility and alternative formats: 626 744-7062. Para español, visite [artnightpasadena.org](http://artnightpasadena.org).

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