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CORNISH COLLEGE OF THE ARTS JUNIOR DANCE COMPANY AND THE CASCADE YOUTH SYMPHONY PRESENT *MUSIC IN MOTION*

SEATTLE, WA – Cornish College of the Arts Junior Dance Company teams up with the Cascade Youth Symphony to present *Music in Motion*, a performance that includes Act II of Tchaikovsky's holiday classic, *The Nutcracker*.

Music in Motion

November 18, 2 pm

Benaroya Hall

Tickets: \$14-\$18

For tickets and more information call (206) 417-5677. Tickets may also be purchased at the Benaroya Box Office or Ticketmaster. More information is available at www.cyso.us.

Under the direction of Gerry Jon Marsh with choreography by Pat Hon, Christine Juarez, and Shelagh Regan, this festive family event features students ages four to eighteen from the Cornish Preparatory Dance Division. In addition to *Nutcracker Act II*, the Cornish Junior Dance Company will present a duet from "Etudes," featuring prep dance student Erica Badgeley and introducing Joel Hathaway, a junior in the Dance Department. Marsh has transcribed the piano music for his Cascade Youth Symphony Orchestra and the choreography by Pat Hon.

Also featured will be Cascade Youth Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition winner Sol Im, a sophomore at Lynnwood's Meadowdale High School, performing Pablo di Sarasate's virtuoso violin showpiece, "Zigeunerweisen (Gypsy Airs)." The opening selection of the concert, Beethoven's "Egmont Overture," will showcase the musical talents of the orchestra, as will Emmanuel Chabrier's orchestral rhapsody, "España."

About Pat Hon and the Cornish Junior Dance Company

The Cornish Junior Dance Company is directed by Pat Hon of Cornish College of the Arts and is part of the Preparatory Dance Division. This division offers studies in classical ballet, modern and related techniques for students ages four to eighteen. Hon, who has been on the Cornish Dance Faculty since 1978, performed extensively in Europe and has choreographed for the Atlanta Ballet, Pacific Northwest Ballet, Singapore Ballet, Ballet Concerto of Miami, Goh Ballet in Canada, Federal Ballet Company of Malaysia, and Ballet Petit.

About the Cascade Youth Symphony Orchestra

Founded in 1976, the Cascade Youth Symphony (CYSO), conducted by Gerry Jon Marsh, draws its membership from some of the most talented young musicians in North King and South Snohomish Counties and beyond. Students range in age up to 21 and have established a reputation of presenting outstanding performances of original orchestral literature in the form of major symphonies, concerti and overtures.

About Cornish College of the Arts

Cornish College of the Arts provides aspiring artists with the educational opportunities to become professionals in their fields. The College offers Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees in Art, Dance, Design, Performance Production and Theater, and a Bachelor of Music degree. It is one of three

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private colleges in the United States focusing on both the performing and visual arts, and the only college of its kind in the Northwest. The College is accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges, and the National Association of Schools of Art and Design and has a national reputation for its faculty, curriculum, and student performance and exhibition opportunities.

Since its founding by Nellie Cornish in 1914, Cornish College of the Arts has contributed to the nation's cultural and intellectual heritage through its alumni and faculty. Historically, these figures include choreographers and dancers Merce Cunningham, Martha Graham, Syvilla Fort and Bonnie Bird; composer John Cage; painters Mark Tobey, William Cumming, and William Ivey; photographer Imogen Cunningham; educator Calvin B. Cady and broadcaster Chet Huntley, to name just a few. More recently these figures are joined by Brendan Fraser (film actor), Patrick Haskett (painter), Steve Jensen (sculptor), Paul Owen Lewis (illustrator), Lois Rathvon McCarter (dancer & choreographer), Evyind Kang (violinist), Jarrad Powell and Joshua Kohl (composers). And, the College continues to represent the Northwest's largest concentration of professional artists dedicated to instruction.

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