

MIGHTY 20-TON ORGAN TO BE FEATURED IN OCTOBER 29 JACKSONVILLE SYMPHONY CONCERT

Jacksonville, FL (October 18, 2017) --- The Jacksonville Symphony will perform a concert featuring The Bryan Concert Organ on Sunday, October 29.

WHO: Led by Associate Conductor **Nathan Aspinall**, the Jacksonville Symphony will take on an organ-heavy program to feature the centerpiece of Jacoby Symphony Hall. The organ will be played by the Director of Music and Organist at St. Anastasia Catholic Church, **Peter Morin**.

WHAT: Dubbed **Organ, Brass, Winds and Percussion**, this concert will feature the individual sections of the orchestra on a more intimate level. Popular works such as Copland's *Fanfare for the Common Man* and Bach's haunting *Tocatta and Fugue in D minor* (the orchestral version is heard in Disney's *Fantasia*) will be performed. Also to be featured is Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*, a work that audibly portrays the composer's exploration of an art exhibition. Although you may not know it by name, the opening trumpet call is widely recognizable.

The Bryan Concert Organ is over 100 years old, weighs 20-tons and takes about the same space as a two-story house. Originally built in 1914 by the Casavant Freres Company in Quebec under the name Opus 553, its first home was in Syracuse, New York. Almost 90 years later, the organ made its debut in Jacoby Symphony Hall and was given its present name, The Bryan Concert Organ, in honor of the Bryan family's donation.

WHEN: The concert will take place on Sunday, October 29 at 3:00pm.

WHERE: The concert will be held in Jacoby Symphony Hall at the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts.

TICKETS: For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit JaxSymphony.org or call the Ticket Office at 904.354.5547.

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