

Jacksonville Symphony Performs Concert Honoring Rock Legend David Bowie

Jacksonville, FL (April 4, 2018) --- With *Windborne's The Music of David Bowie*, the Jacksonville Symphony celebrates the music from one of rock's most iconic superstars: David Bowie. On April 13 & 14, the symphony will perform two shows showcasing Bowie classics from "Space Oddity" to "Ziggy Stardust." Joining the Symphony will be vocalist Brody Dolyniuk and conductor Brent Havens.

WHAT: Rock sensation David Bowie was a leader in popular music for almost five decades. The English-rocker won a total of five Grammy Awards in addition to the 2006 Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award. By 1996, Bowie was inducted in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. In his lifetime, Bowie released a grand total of 27 albums.

With his first hit "Space Oddity" in 1969, David Bowie rose to stardom and went on to produce albums such as *The Man Who Sold the World* and *Hunky Dory*. If he were not popular enough, his appearance as Ziggy Stardust and the following album *The Rise and Fall of Ziggy Stardust and The Spiders from Mars* launched the rocker into super stardom. The Jacksonville Symphony will perform some of Bowie's greatest, most iconic hits from "Under Pressure" to "Changes" in two concerts honoring the music Bowie brought to the rock world.

WHO: Serving as front-man for the show, **Brody Dolyniuk** has been mimicking voices since he was a child, spending his time listening to old records and tapes. He is a gifted, self-taught musician, capable of playing several instruments, with a particular knack for capturing the voices and mannerisms of classic characters from music, TV and movies.

With a longing to perform the music of the many rock bands that inspired him, Dolyniuk assembled Yellow Brick Road, unquestionably Las Vegas' most successful classic rock band. Since 1997, YBR has been reshaping the casino entertainment scene by bringing a rock concert atmosphere to showrooms previously reserved for Top-40-style lounge acts. Along the way, Dolyniuk has made numerous radio and TV appearances and earned a spot in the finals of two national singing competitions.

Leading the orchestra in the show is Berklee-trained arranger/conductor **Brent Havens**. He has written music for orchestras, feature films and virtually every kind of television. His TV work includes movies for networks such as ABC, CBS, ABC Family Channel Network and sports music for networks such as ESPN. Havens has also worked with the Doobie Brothers and the Milwaukee Symphony, arranging and conducting the combined group for Harley Davidson's 100th Anniversary Birthday Party Finale attended by over 150,000 fans. He has worked with some of the world's greatest orchestras including the Royal Philharmonic in London, the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, the Atlanta Symphony and the Nashville Symphony.

Havens recently completed the score for the film *Quo Vadis*, a Premier Pictures remake of the 1956 gladiator film. In 2013 he worked with the Baltimore Symphony and the NFL's Baltimore Ravens to arrange and produce the music for the Thanksgiving Day halftime show between the Ravens and Pittsburgh Steelers, adapting both classical music and rock songs into a single four-minute show. Havens is arranger/guest conductor for all of Windborne's symphonic rock programs including *The Music of David Bowie!*

WHEN: The concerts will take place on Friday, April 13 and Saturday, April 14 at 8pm.

WHERE: The concerts will take place in the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts in the Jacoby Symphony Hall.

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

Sponsors: These concerts are a part of the Fidelity National Financial Pops Series.

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