Concert Program for March 10, 2012

Live at Powell Hall

The 5 Browns

Gregory Brown, piano Ryan Brown, piano Melody Brown, piano Desirae Brown, piano Deondra Brown, piano

MOZART/ arr. Greg Anderson Rondo alla Turca

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SCRIABIN

Piano Sonata No. 4 in F-sharp major, op. 30

Andante Prestissimo

Gregory Brown

GERSHWIN/ arr. Jeffrey Shumway Rhapsody in Blue

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MACDOWELL

Etude de Concert, op. 36

Ryan Brown

STRAVINSKY/ arr. Jeffrey Shumway The Rite of Spring: Part One

Introduction—The Adoration of the Earth Auguries of Spring (Dances of the Young Girls)

Mock Abduction

Spring Khorovod (Round Dance)

Games of the Rival Clans Procession of the Wise Elder

Adoration of the Earth (The Wise Elder)

Dance of the Earth

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Intermission

GREG ANDERSON Over the Rainbow: Fantasy for Five Pianos

(Based on themes from The Wizard of Oz,

composed by Harold Arlen)

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LISZT/

Mephisto Waltz No. 1, for Two Pianos

arr. Isadore Phillip

Desirae and Deondra Brown

DARIO MARIANELLI/

Atonement

arr. Greg Anderson

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NIKOLAI KAPUSTIN

Concert Etudes op. 40

Reverie Toccatina

Melody Brown

SAINT-SAËNS/ arr. Greg Anderson Danse macabre

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The Five Browns



The 5 Browns are delivering on their dream to wake up classical music by introducing it to the widest, largest and most excited audience they can find. Whether performing individually or together in various combinations from duo to complex five-piano arrangements, The 5 Browns reveal a deep connection to

the intent of their material while bringing a fresh energy and dynamic character to the color and tonal spectrum of their sound.

The 5 Browns—Ryan, Melody, Gregory, Deondra, and Desirae—all attended New York's Juilliard School. In fact, they became the first family of five siblings ever accepted simultaneously. The quintet enjoyed its first wave of critical attention in February 2002 when *People* magazine dubbed them the "Fab Five" and at about the same time they were featured on *Oprah* and *60 Minutes*. The 5 Browns have released three CDs that each went to No. 1 on Billboard Magazine's Classical Album Chart. The *New York Post* has proclaimed: "One family, five pianos and 50 fingers add up to the biggest classical music sensation in years...When these kids do Rachmaninoff, they'll make you forget about Marshall amps."

The quintet has garnered extensive coverage from media outlets ranging from *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*, *Good Morning America*, *Today*, and *The View* to *The Martha Stewart Show*, National Public Radio's *Performance Today*, as well as the *New York Times*, *Parade*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Sunday London Telegraph*, and *Entertainment Weekly*, who called them "...five young Mormons who all play scorching piano. Thundering down on five Steinways together, they're button-down cute and somewhat otherworldly."

The 5 Browns tour extensively and have performed in numerous venues including the Grand National Theater in China, Suntory Hall in Japan and, in the United States, the Kimmel Center in Philadelphia, Symphony Hall in Chicago, and Alice Tully Hall in New York City

In addition to touring, The 5 Browns are published writers. Their book, *Life Between the Keys*, was published by Phoenix Books in March 2009.

In the spring of 2010, their new CD *The 5 Browns... In Hollywood*, was released on the E1 Music label. They are also featured in a new PBS TV special, *The 5 Browns in* Concert, which is airing on PBS stations throughout the country.

Upcoming highlights include the premiere of a new work for five pianos and orchestra composed by Nico Muhly. The 5 Browns will premiere the work in summer 2011 at the Ravinia Festival with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra conducted by James Conlon.

The 5 Browns are exclusive Steinway Artists.

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Sun, March 25 at 3pm

Julia Murney, vocalist Emily Rozek, vocalist



Julia Murney



Emily Rozek

Stars of the hit Broadway musical *Wicked*, Julia Murney and Emily Rozek, join the St. Louis Symphony for a fantastic concert of Diva showstoppers including popular favorites from *Wicked*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *My Fair Lady*, and *Chicago*.