

## **A Triumphant Return: ASO's First Full Symphony Concert in 595 Days**

**Auburn, WA:** Auburn Symphony Orchestra returns to live performances in the concert hall for the 2021-22 season. The first full symphony concert in more than a year and a half will feature internationally recognized pianist Anton Nel. The concert, entitled ***A Triumphant Return***, is on **Sunday, October 3, 2021 at 2:30 PM at Federal Way Performing Arts and Event Center.**

In this energetic season opener, pianist Anton Nel will perform Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's *Piano Concerto No. 21*. The symphony will also perform *Symphony No. 2 in D major* by Joseph Bologne, Chevalier de Saint-Georges and Felix Mendelssohn's *Symphony No. 1 in C minor* which bursts with fiery energy. This music will have you on the edge of your seat, a live music experience that can not be replicated at home.

Auburn Symphony will perform concerts at the Federal Way Performing Arts and Event Center (FWPAEC) in the 2021-22 season. At the time of planning the new season, Auburn Performing Arts Center at Auburn High School was not available due to existing health and safety restrictions from the school district. ASO does plan to return to their home in Auburn the following season when conditions allow. The FWPAEC is conveniently located right off I-5, just 5 miles from the Auburn PAC. Free and ample parking is available directly next to the entrance.

Tickets and information can be found at [auburnsymphony.org](http://auburnsymphony.org) or by calling the Auburn Symphony office at 253-887-7777. Check [auburnsymphony.org](http://auburnsymphony.org) regularly for updates including performances and links to learning and listening resources.

### **About Anton Nel**

Anton Nel, winner of the first prize in the 1987 Naumburg International Piano Competition at Carnegie Hall continues to enjoy a remarkable and multifaceted career that has taken him all over the world. U.S. highlights of Mr. Nel's four decades of concertizing include performances with the Cleveland Orchestra, the symphonies of Chicago, Dallas, San Francisco, Seattle, Detroit, and London, among many others. Born in Johannesburg, South Africa, Mr. Nel is a graduate of the University of the Witwatersrand, where he studied with Adolph Hallis, and the University of Cincinnati where he worked with Béla Síki and Frank Weinstock.

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