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ROMANCE IS IN THE AIR – DAVE JOHNSON’S MUSICAL ARRANGEMENTS

- Boise Phil Principal Viola and Langroise Fellow Dave Johnson **arranged 3 pieces** of The Romantics specifically for this performance.
- The Romantics premieres on the Digital Stage on **January 23rd**.



Boise, ID (January 15th, 2021) – **The Romantics**, premieres on the Digital Stage on **January 23rd**. Featuring a string quartet and string trio, **The Romantics** is a collection of masterful works composed by Haydn, Rachmaninoff, Reger, and Mendelssohn. **The Romantics is more than just your**

average concert; Haydn, Rachmaninoff, and Reger's pieces were never originally meant to be played in a chamber setting. Principal Viola and College of Idaho Langroise Fellow Dave Johnson spent most of the last year arranging these three pieces to work for the Digital Stage and his fellow musicians. Dave's hard work took these three pieces and transformed them into the masterful creations that audiences will be the **first to experience**. Dave arranged these pieces at Music Director Eric Garcia's direction and chose these pieces to feature the unique qualities of the string trip which includes violin, viola and cello.

Invoking the emotional, dramatic and individualistic style of the Romantic period, scenery for the Digital Stage production of The Romantics draws on rich colors and floral imagery.

Program

Sergei Rachmaninoff (arr. Johnson): Vocalise No. 14, op. 34 for String Trio

Chia-Li Ho, Associate Concertmaster
David Johnson, Principal Viola
Kyla Davidson, Cello

Felix Mendelssohn: Four Pieces for String Quartet

Katherine Jarvis, Assistant Concertmaster
Geoffrey Hill, Principal Violin II
Lindsay Bohl, Associate Principal Viola
Stephen Mathie, Cello

Max Reger (arr. Johnson): Serenade for String Trio

Chia-Li Ho, Associate Concertmaster
David Johnson, Principal Viola
Kyla Davidson, Cello

Franz Joseph Haydn (arr. Johnson): Divertimento No. 1, Op 100 for String Trio

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