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**UF Symphony Orchestra Concert on October 9 at the Phillips Center
Features Celebrated Guest Artists Andreas Klein and Amy Redford**

Gainesville, Fla., September 24, 2014 — The University of Florida (UF) Symphony Orchestra, led by Maestro **Raymond Chobaz**, will perform with world-renowned German pianist **Andreas Klein** and will perform *The Story of Cinderella*, featuring narration by **Amy Redford**, on Thursday, Oct. 9, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at the Curtis M. Phillips, M.D. Center for the Performing Arts in Gainesville, Florida.

The first half of the program features the composition *Festive Overture* by Dmitri Shostakovich and *Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini* for Piano and Orchestra by Sergei Rachmaninov, featuring Klein. Klein has distinguished himself as a dynamic and compelling performer with his command of a wide range of tonal colors and imaginative interpretations. The Juilliard graduate has performed at some of the world's most prestigious venues, from London's Wigmore Hall and Berlin's Philharmonic Hall to New York's Carnegie Hall. The New York Times declared him "A fascinating artist with all the indispensable qualities: temperament, taste, touch, tone, the four T's of pianism."

The second half of the concert will premiere *The Story of Cinderella*, a modern twist on a well-loved fairy tale that explores growing up, finding love and self-discovery. This innovative program will feature music from the ballet, *Cinderella*, by Sergei Prokofiev, text by Chobaz, guest artists from **Dance Alive National Ballet** and narration by filmmaker and actress Amy Redford. The daughter of Academy Award-winning film director and actor Robert Redford, Amy Redford has appeared in films as diverse as *Sunshine Cleaning* and *Maid in Manhattan*. She has produced and directed several movies, including *The Guitar*, which premiered at the 2008 Sundance Film Festival. *The Guitar* will be presented at the Phillips Center on Oct. 7, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

"When I decided to program Prokofiev's *Cinderella* for this concert, I made up my mind not only to have a narrator tell the tale of Cinderella along with the music, but also to tell the story a little differently," said Chobaz. "One hundred and four musicians are ready to enchant the audience."

Established in 1911, the UF Symphony Orchestra is dedicated to the learning of symphonic music through performance. The literature includes established orchestral and choral masterworks, ballets and operas, from the 18th century to the present, by composers of all nations and genders. In accordance with the research mission of UF, the orchestra is also committed to the promotion of new and contemporary as well as noteworthy and overlooked works from the past.

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