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**NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC VERY YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERTS
MERKIN CONCERT HALL
FEBRUARY 26–27, 2012**

Program To Explore “Treble and Bass”

The second set of the season’s New York Philharmonic Very Young People’s Concerts, designed for children ages 3 to 6, will take place Sunday, February 26, 2012, at 12:30 and 3:00 p.m., and Monday, February 27, at 10:30 a.m., at Merkin Concert Hall, 129 West 67th Street. The program, titled “Treble and Bass,” will explore how high and low sounds make music fun, featuring selections by Mozart as part of the season’s theme, *Mozart and Friends*. Philharmonic Associate Principal Viola Rebecca Young is the host; Dorian Rence, also a violist with the Philharmonic, is the writer and narrator of stories about Philippe the Penguin, a character created for the series; and Marion Schoevaert is the illustrator. New York Philharmonic violinist Fiona Simon, violist Judith Nelson, cellist Qiang Tu, bass Satoshi Okamoto, and flutist Mindy Kaufman will perform.

Now in their seventh season, the Very Young People’s Concerts are designed by Philharmonic musicians working with faculty from Teachers College of Columbia University to introduce young children to classical music through games, active listening, and hands-on music-making. Before each concert, musicians are stationed throughout Merkin Concert Hall to greet families and initiate musical activities on the day’s theme. After each performance, children have an opportunity to try orchestral instruments themselves.

The next Very Young People’s Concerts will take place March 25 and 26, 2012, with a focus on “Forte and Piano.”

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Single tickets start at \$21. For information, call **(212) 875-5656**, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets may also be purchased at the **Avery Fisher Hall Box Office** or at the **Alice Tully Hall Box Office** at Lincoln Center, Broadway at 65th Street. The Box Office opens at 10:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday, and at noon on Sunday. On performance evenings, the Box Office closes one-half hour after performance time; other evenings it closes at 6:00 p.m. To determine ticket availability, call the Philharmonic's Customer Relations Department at **(212) 875-5656**. For press tickets, call Lanore Carr in the New York Philharmonic Communications Department at (212) 875-5714, or e-mail her at carrl@nyphil.org.

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Very Young People's Concerts

Merkin Concert Hall at the Kaufman Center
129 West 67th Street

Sunday, February 26, 2012, at 12:30 and 3:00 p.m.
Monday, February 27, 2012, at 10:30 a.m.

Musicians from the New York Philharmonic
Rebecca Young, host
Dorian Rence, writer and narrator
Marion Schoevaert, illustrator

Fiona Simon, violin
Judith Nelson, viola
Qiang Tu, cello
Satoshi Okamoto, bass
Mindy Kaufman, flute

Mozart and Friends: "Treble and Bass"

Program to feature:

MOZART "Allegro" from *Eine kleine Nachtmusik*
MOZART Selections from Flute Quartet in A major, K.298

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