

PRESS RELEASE

Carlos Izcaray conducts CUMS Symphony Orchestra with Virginie Robilliard (violin)

Cambridge University Musical Society (CUMS) is joined for this evening by the brilliant violinist **Virginie Robilliard**, for a performance of Sibelius's *Violin Concerto*, and by prize-winning **Carlos Izcaray** who will conduct the orchestra for this and works by Verdi and Stravinsky.

Internationally acclaimed, prize-winning violinist **Virginie Robilliard** has performed with many orchestras including the St. Petersburg Symphony Orchestra, Simon Bolivar Orchestra, and the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra. Between 2001 and 2008, Robilliard, with the assistance of the Mozarteum Fondation, also created a violin school in Caracas, Vénézuéla, where many of her talented young students have been accepted in to European conservatoires. Acclaimed for her 'uncompromising understanding of musical style' (Jacques Lonchamp, LE MONDE), Robilliard brings her spirit and wealth of experience to Sibelius' raw and dramatic work for violin and orchestra.

Hailed for his balance of technical prowess and instinctual expression, prize winning Spanish-Venezuelan conductor **Carlos Izcaray** has received accolades throughout the world. Praised by the international press, he is already one of today's most outstanding young conductors, with a range of repertoire that covers all performance styles.

Izcaray brings prowess and a passionate approach to the evening's programme of Verdi (*Overture to La Forza Del Destino*), Sibelius (*Violin Concerto*) and Stravinsky (*Symphony in Three Movements*), with a vigour, enthusiasm and dynamism matched by Robilliard and the orchestra.

CUMS is one of the oldest and most distinguished university music societies in the world. It offers a world-class musical education for members of the University, nurturing the great musicians of the future. It has educated such luminaries as Sir Andrew Davis, Sir Mark Elder, Sir John Eliot Gardiner, Edward Gardner, Christopher Hogwood and Robin Ticciati.

CUMS Symphony Orchestra is the University's finest symphony orchestra, drawn from top student instrumentalists in Cambridge.

Saturday 8 March 2014, 8pm
West Road Concert Hall

Tickets £20, £14, £10

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