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**Boulder Philharmonic Orchestra Presents “Classical Mystery Tour”**

*An evening of Beatles music featuring four top-notch musicians who look and sound like the Beatles.*

The Boulder Philharmonic Orchestra presents an evening of Beatles music with the Classical Mystery Tour, on October 8, 2011, 7:30 p.m., Macky Auditorium, at CU-Boulder. Michael Butterman, music director of the Boulder Phil, will conduct.

“One of the things that makes this concert so special is that we are playing the original orchestrations that were put together by producer George Martin and recorded by the Beatles on their later albums,” said Butterman. “They never toured with a live orchestra, though, so hearing these charts performed live is something even Beatles fans have never heard before.”

Since its initial performance at the Orange County Performing Arts Center in 1996, Classical Mystery Tour has performed with more than 100 orchestras across the United States and around the world. The group is made up of four highly trained musicians who not only sound like the Beatles, but also look like them. Jim Owen (John Lennon) plays rhythm guitar and piano; Tony Kishman (Paul McCartney) is on bass guitar and piano; John Brosnan (George Harrison) is on lead guitar; and Chris Camilleri (Ringo Starr) plays drums.

“The concert's appeal is truly intergenerational,” said Butterman, “and our performance with them three years ago resonated with everyone from stalwart classical music aficionados to high school students.”

Classical Mystery Tour performed with the Boulder Phil in January 2008 and is back by popular demand. Their performance on October 8 features selections from more than 30 Beatles tunes, including favorites like “A Hard Day’s Night,” “Twist and Shout,” and “Yesterday.”

“There is no doubt in my mind that the music of the Beatles is here to stay,” said Butterman. “It is ‘classic’ in the best sense of the word—it's timeless, high-quality, and affects listeners on both an emotional and intellectual level.”

**Program Information: *Music of the Beatles—Classical Mystery Tour***

**Saturday, October 8, 2011, 7:30 p.m.**  
**Macky Auditorium, CU-Boulder**

**Boulder Philharmonic Orchestra**  
Michael Butterman, Music Director  
Classical Mystery Tour, guest artists

Tickets for this performance are \$13-\$70 and available online at [www.boulderphil.org](http://www.boulderphil.org) or by calling 303-449-1343, ext. 2.

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