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**CALIFORNIA PHILHARMONIC SPRINGS INTO APRIL WITH  
SHIMMERING STRINGS, PART OF THE ACCLAIMED  
*MUSIC, MARTINIS AND THE MAESTRO* SERIES**

**Maestro Victor Vener And Top Cal Phil Players Illuminate  
The Spectacular Noor Sofia With Music On April 17, 2011**

March 31, 2011, Arcadia – The one and only California Philharmonic shines the spotlight on **Shimmering Strings** this April during the next installment of the extremely popular **Cal Phil Music, Martinis and the Maestro** concert series. The intimate afternoon will feature two violins, a viola, cello, bass and piano, and will take place at the ultra-chic Noor Sofia in Old Town Pasadena on April 17, 2011.

Cal Phil Founder Maestro Victor Vener, will conduct a pre-concert chat with the audience beginning at 1:00pm. Informative, entertaining and interactive, the unique series allows audience members an opportunity to speak with the Maestro and musicians during the concert experience. Fine wine, cocktails, gourmet cuisine and a variety of martinis are also available for people to purchase and enjoy while listening to these spectacular chamber music concerts.

“I’m looking forward to this concert because it features six of my all-time favorite players and two of the greatest chamber works ever written,” said Vener.

Following the Maestro’s half hour introduction, the music begins at 1:45pm with Schubert’s *Trout Quintet*, a piece the composer based on one of his most popular songs, *The Trout*. After a brief intermission at 2:45pm, the concert will segue from Vienna to America, by way of Bohemia when the players take up Dvorák’s *American Quartet*, a work written by the Czech master during his sojourn in the USA and featuring American themes.

The upcoming 2011 season for Cal Phil Music, Martinis and the Maestro continues with **Beethoven and More** on May 15 with violin, cello, piano, guitar.

Tickets are available for the two remaining concerts, with prices ranging from \$30 to \$45 for single seats (all seating is table seating). Private tables are available as well. A full bar and light lunch fare may also be purchased. For menus and further information on Cal Phil Music, Martinis and the Maestro, visit [www.calphil.org](http://www.calphil.org)

To purchase tickets call 626.300.8200

*The mission of the CalPhil Foundation is to bring excellent and professional performances of great music to the widest possible audience. To achieve our mission, we work to provide access to performances; serve as a major cultural resource; achieve regional, national and international recognition for the California Philharmonic; provide free and low-cost educational outreach concerts and programs for all people; encourage community involvement in the organization beyond concert attendance, through volunteer participation, network groups and leadership role opportunities.*

*Cal Phil continues its popular concerts with its Summer Orchestra series Cal Phil Festival on the Green-Picnic Concerts Under The Stars on Saturday evenings at the beautiful outdoor venue The Arboretum followed by Sunday matinee performances at the Music Centers Walt Disney Concert Hall. The highly-anticipated series begins the weekend of June 25 and June 26 with **Beethoven and The Beatles** featuring The Fab Four. **Andrew Lloyd Webber Meets Puccini** at The Arboretum July 3 and at Walt Disney Hall on July 9 as phantom goes to the opera with such classics as Phantom of the Opera to La Boheme. July 23 and 24 will have people **Dancing Under The Stars** to everything from Bolero to Glenn Miller to Black Swan from Swan Lake. **Rodgers and Hammerstein In Europe** features Broadway and the Classics August 6 and 7 with **That's Entertainment** paying homage to some of music's greatest moments such as Fiddler on the Roof and Titanic on the season's final concerts August 20 and 21.*