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Guest Violinist Odin Rathnam to Perform *Movie Magic* with American Youth Philharmonic

Falls Church, VA, January 20, 2011: The American Youth Philharmonic and Music Director Daniel Spalding present *Movie Magic* with guest violinist Odin Rathnam on Sunday, January 30, 2011, 3:00pm at George Mason University Center for the Arts. Repertoire will include Rozsa's *Main Title* from "El Cid", Herrmann's *Prelude* from "The Man Who Knew Too Much" and *Suite* from "Vertigo", Walton's *Suite* from "Henry the V", and the featured performance of Erich Wolfgang Korngold's *Violin Concerto* by Odin Rathnam. **Tickets** are \$14 adults, \$10 seniors (65+), \$10 students (includes college with I.D.), free for ages 5 and under, and free for all music teachers. Tickets will be available at the door approximately 45 minutes prior to the concert time. For details visit www.aypo.org. There will also be a formal opportunity for the public to meet the new AYPO Executive Director, Jack Walton, before the concert and during intermission in the lobby of the Center for the Arts.



Guest Artist Odin Rathnam, violin

"Anyone who loves the big rich orchestral sound is going to love this music," said Music Director Daniel Spalding. "This unique program presents some of the best music from composers of Hollywood's Golden Age: Rosza, Herrmann, Korngold, & Walton all helped set the standards for cinematic music. When one hears these works on the concert stage you can't help but marvel at the beauty and power that music by itself can have. It will certainly stimulate your imagination."

Joining AYP is violinist Odin Rathnam, a critically acclaimed American violinist who has established himself as one of the most passionate and versatile artists of his generation. He has received unanimous praise from critics and audiences for his "captivating temperament," "brilliant technique" and "recalling the legendary violinists of the past".

"Odin Rathnam and I worked together a few years ago with the Philadelphia Virtuosi," said Spalding. "I have seldom worked with a musician who communicates more with the audience than Odin. He has impeccable technique, a wonderful tone, and adds to that great showmanship. The Korngold *Violin Concerto* is one of the most beautiful works that has ever been written, Odin is spectacular, and I can hardly wait for the concert." *To read Odin Rathnam's complete biography visit the Guest Artist page at www.aypo.org under the "Events" tab.*

About AYPO: Recognized as one of the leading orchestral training programs in the nation, the American Youth Philharmonic Orchestras (AYPO) provides competitive world-class training and performance opportunities for young musicians ages 7 - 21. With nationally recognized conductors led by Music Director Daniel Spalding, a dedicated professional staff, and a host of volunteers, AYPO annually selects and trains over 400 of the most talented young musicians from throughout the Washington D.C. Metropolitan area. AYPO is the *Youth Orchestra in Residence* at George Mason University's Center for the Arts and was selected by the Catalogue for Philanthropy as "one of the best small nonprofits in the Greater Washington region."

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