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CPR TO BROADCAST SATURDAY'S COLORADO SYMPHONY PERFORMANCE OF CARMINA BURANA

Live Colorado Public Radio statewide broadcast begins at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 2

DENVER – March 30, 2011 – On Saturday, April 2, music lovers across Colorado have the rare opportunity to listen to a real-time, live broadcast of Carl Orff's choral masterwork *Carmina Burana* featuring the Colorado Symphony, led by acclaimed conductor Antoni Wit. Beginning at 7 p.m., Colorado Public Radio (CPR) will broadcast the concert event, featuring soprano Stacey Tappan, tenor Nicholas Phan, baritone Hyjing Yun, together with the Colorado Symphony Chorus and Colorado Children's Chorale, on stations across the State and online at www.CPR.org. This riveting concert also includes Roussel's Suite No.2 from *Bacchus et Ariane*, Op. 4.

Composed in 1837, *Carmina Burana* remains one of the most popular works in the classical music repertoire thanks to its universal appeal, risqué and provocative subject matter, and pure "rock concert appeal." Today, O Fortuna – the opening and closing to *Carmina Burana* – can be heard in films ranging from *Excalibur* to *Natural Born Killers* to *The Hunt for Red October*, as well as dozens of action movie trailers and commercials. Often regarded as a celebration of springtime, *Carmina Burana* embraces the vivid emotions and heightened sensory awareness that people often feel as the earth awakens after a long winter.

Saturday's CPR broadcast will reach symphony fans who would not otherwise have access to the concert; offering them the chance to experience the artistry of internationally renowned guest artists together with the exceptional musicians of the Colorado Symphony, Colorado Symphony Chorus and Colorado Children's Chorale. The CPR broadcast begins at 7 p.m. – 30 minutes before the start of the concert. Classical Music Hosts will introduce the music to-be-heard during live broadcast, as well as interview musicians and artistic leadership backstage.

Tune in to Colorado Public Radio Classical Music at: Denver 88.1 FM, Boulder 99.9 FM, Pueblo 91.9 FM, Colorado Springs 94.7 FM, Glenwood Springs 90.5 FM, Aspen 101.5 FM, Western Slope 103.3 FM, Dove Creek 88.7 FM, Gunnison 89.1 FM, Cortez 102.5 FM, Crystal River Valley / Old Snowmass 93.9 FM, Thomasville 93.7 FM, and online at www.CPR.org.

Listen for these future concert broadcasts of the Colorado Symphony on Colorado Public Radio:

- Saturday, April 30 at 7 p.m. - *Cinderella* – Colorado Symphony with Opera Colorado
- Friday, May 27 at 7 p.m. – Mahler's Symphony No. 9 – Colorado Symphony at Boettcher Concert Hall

Past live broadcasts of the 2010-2011 season include the Colorado Symphony's performances of Beethoven's Fifth with pianist Olga Kern in September and December's *Tchaikovsky Spectacular*.

Colorado Symphony Ticket Information: Colorado Symphony *Carmina Burana* performances at Boettcher Concert Hall include Saturday, April 2 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 3 at 2:30 p.m. Remaining tickets for the performance on Saturday, April 2 currently start from \$76. Best availability for tickets is Sunday's performance, and tickets currently start from \$76. Tickets are on sale now at www.coloradosymphony.org, the Colorado Symphony Box Office: (303) 623-7876 or (877) 292-7979 or in-person in the lobby of Boettcher Concert Hall in the Denver Performing Arts Complex. Hours are Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, visit www.coloradosymphony.org.

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