



# Alexandria Symphony Orchestra

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*Celebrating the Dramatic Spirit*

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**\*\*Dvorak, Copland, Previn, Ward\*\***

**ASO concludes 2006-2007 Season collaborating with The Art League  
and The Little Theatre of Alexandria in *Our American Life***

**Who:** Alexandria Symphony Orchestra, The Art League, The Little Theatre of Alexandria  
Kim Allen Kluge, conductor; Michael Baker, narrator; Lisa Archibeque, soprano

**What:** *Our American Life:* Dvorak *Symphony No. 9, "From the New World"*  
Copland *Our Town*  
Previn *A Streetcar Named Desire*, selections  
Ward *The Crucible*, selections

**When:** May 5, 2007 8pm

**Where:** Schlesinger Concert Hall, NOVA Community College, Alexandria Campus

**Price:** \$20-\$70 – call 703-548-0885 or visit [www.alexsym.org](http://www.alexsym.org)

Alexandria, VA April 2, 2007: The Alexandria Symphony Orchestra presents the **final**

**concert of its 2006-2007 Season on May 5, 2007 at 8pm** celebrating the City of

Alexandria. As part of the *Paint Alexandria Festival*, the **ASO will be joined by The Art**

**League and seven-time Emmy Award winner Michael Baker of The Little Theatre of**

**Alexandria.** Maestro Kim Allen Kluge has matched Dvorak's beloved *Symphony No. 9*

*"From the New World"* with Copland's extraordinary *Our Town*, along with excerpts of

American operas by Previn and Ward.

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## **ASO concludes 2006-2007 with *Our American Life* – page 2**

Continuing ASO's tradition of inter-disciplinary partnerships, May 5<sup>th</sup> brings together several Alexandria arts organizations as part of the City's ***Paint Alexandria Festival***. **Little Theatre's Michael Baker will narrate selections of Thornton Wilder's original play to accompany Copland's musical setting.** Additionally, Stephanie Hafer, daughter of The Art League's Director Linda Hafer, has mounted a videography showcasing artwork in the *Festival* and photographs from Alexandria's past and present that also will be on display May 5<sup>th</sup>.

*Our American Life* closes an extremely successful season for the ASO. 2006-2007 witnessed inspired performances led by Maestro Kim Allen Kluge and featured a host of incredible soloists: **Midori, Carlos Rodriguez, Erin Driscoll, Jimi Ray Malory, Lori Anne Williams, Robert Aubry Davis, and Tim Tourbin.** The ASO benefited greatly due to its 2006-2007 partners: **The Shakespeare in Washington Festival, Signature Theatre, MetroStage, Heritage Signature Chorale, the Metropolitan Chorus, and the Opera Theatre of Northern Virginia.**

Having just announced the 2007-2008 Season – full brochure available at [www.alexsym.org](http://www.alexsym.org) – the ASO hopes to build on recent, successful seasons as it expands to present three Sunday matinees during 2007-2008, increasing ASO subscription offerings.

Please visit [www.alexsym.org](http://www.alexsym.org) for further information.

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