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Orchestra Collective of Orange County presents Skeletons and Superheroes, Dinosaurs and Dolls

*Southern California's collectively-run symphony orchestra
moves down the road to Brea for its Halloween concerts*

Saturday, October 27, 2018 – 8:00 PM

Sunday October 28, 2018 – 3:00 PM

Curtis Theatre

1 Civic Center Circle

Brea, CA 92821

Free underground parking on site

\$25/general admission; \$20/seniors; \$15 students

Tickets available online (<http://bit.ly/ocofoctix>), from the box office 714-990-7722, or at the door

Orchestra Collective of Orange County (OCofOC) will present the second concert of its season on the last weekend of October, appearing for the first time at the Curtis Theatre, the premier performing space of the Brea Cultural Civic & Cultural Center. This 199-seat theater offers an intimate audience experience, as well as great acoustic and sightlines, allowing attendees to get up close and personal with OCofOC's amazing musicians.

The program features two Halloween-appropriate works for orchestra and soloist. The *Danse macabre* of **Camille Saint-Saëns**, tells the story of Death playing his fiddle on Halloween night, through vivid musical depictions of a church bell striking twelve midnight, the clattering bones of dancing skeleton, and the call of the rooster heralding the arrival of dawn and banishing the skeletons back to their graves. The part of Death will be played by OCofOC concertmaster **Seung-Jai Chung**. The *Totentanz* (Dance of Death) of **Franz Liszt** is a fantasy on the medieval chant for the dead, *Dies irae*, and will showcase prizewinning concert pianist **Minji Noh** playing the virtuoso solo part premiered by Liszt's student **Hans von Bülow** in 1865. The concert will also include supernatural, fantastic, and comic-inspired film scores, with music from *Jurassic Park*, *The Dark Knight*, and *Corpse Bride*.

OCofOC is a collectively-run symphony orchestra based in Orange County, California. Founded in 2016 by veterans of the Southern California classical music scene, we believe that collaboration and self-governance can and will yield amazing results, both artistically and otherwise! A group that embodies and embraces diversity of all kinds, we strive to produce one-of-a-kind musical events that will thrill both longtime concertgoers and complete musical newbies. The concert will be conducted by OCofOC music director, **Dr. David Rentz**. Artistic director of the Orange County Symphony from 2011 to 2016, Dr. Rentz is an accomplished choral, orchestral, and opera conductor who currently serves as associate professor of music at Chaffey College and as a founding conductor of C3LA (Contemporary Choral Collective of Los Angeles).

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