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**DAVID ROBERTSON CONDUCTS THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY IN
HAYDN'S SYMPHONY NO. 94, *SURPRISE*, AND BRETT DEAN'S *CARLO*
OCTOBER 7-10, 2009**

Yefim Bronfman performs Brahms' Piano Concerto No. 2 at these concerts

WHAT: Guest conductor David Robertson leads the [San Francisco Symphony](#) (SFS) in performances of Haydn's Symphony No. 94, *Surprise*, and its first performances of Brett Dean's *Carlo* at Davies Symphony Hall October 7, 9 and 10 and at Flint Center in Cupertino on October 8. The concerts will also feature Yefim Bronfman performing Brahms' Piano Concerto No. 2. [Australian composer Brett Dean's](#) work *Carlo* is a musical dialogue between the centuries that utilizes recordings of motets written by Renaissance composer Carlo Gesualdo combined with music played by the orchestra, taped sound and a synthesizer. This is the first work of Dean's to be performed by the San Francisco Symphony. Yefim Bronfman most recently performed with the SFS during its Schubert / Berg Festival in May 2009. A frequent guest of the SFS, David Robertson will return Davies Symphony Hall two more times this season, once to conduct the orchestra during Project San Francisco when composer George Benjamin is in residence January 7-10, 2010 and later to conduct his own orchestra, the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, with violinist Gil Shaham April 17 and 18, 2010.

WHO: David Robertson, conductor ([Click here for bio.](#))
Yefim Bronfman, piano ([Click here for bio.](#))
San Francisco Symphony ([Click here for bio.](#))

WHEN

& WHERE: Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, October 7, 9 and 10 at 8:00 p.m.
Davies Symphony Hall, 201 Van Ness Ave, San Francisco

Thursday, October 8 at 8:00 p.m.
Flint Center, Cupertino

PROGRAM: Brett Dean / *Carlo* ([Click here for composer bio.](#))
Haydn / Symphony No. 94, G major, *Surprise*
Brahms / Piano Concerto No. 2 in B-flat major, Opus 83

- PRE-CONCERT TALK:** Susan Key gives “Inside Music” talks one hour prior to each concert. Free to all concert ticket holders; doors open 15 minutes before.
- POST-CONCERT Q&A:** The SFS invites audience members to participate in *Off the Podium*, an informal post-concert question and answer session with David Robertson and Yefim Bronfman immediately following the concert on Wednesday, October 7.
- BROADCAST:** Portions of these concerts will be broadcast at a later date on Classical 102.1 KDFC.
- TICKETS:** Davies Symphony Hall \$15-\$135; Flint Center \$15-\$71, available through the SFS Box Office at (415) 864-6000, or at sfsymphony.org.

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