



The Spokane Symphony, Spokane Public Library and the YWCA Participate in Carnegie Hall’s Lullaby Project

Parents and professional musicians collaborate-To Write Personal Lullabies for their Children to Support Maternal Health, Aid Child Development, and Strengthen the Bond between Parent and Child

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SPOKANE— This season, The Spokane Symphony in collaboration with YWCA and the Spokane Public Library will serve as a national partner for the Lullaby Project, a program from Carnegie Hall’s Weill Music Institute that pairs parents with professional artists to write personal lullabies for their children. The Lullaby Project offers new parents a creative opportunity to communicate feelings, hopes, and dreams as they look to the future.

“The power of music can be used to support and unite families during the wonderful and yet challenging times of welcoming a new little member to their households,” said James Lowe, Music Director of the Spokane Symphony. “I can’t think of a better way to introduce music to young children than by having their parents compose a soothing lullaby,” he adds.

The Lullaby Project in Spokane will culminate in a performance with Spokane Public Library Music Education Specialist Andy Rumsey and Musician Liz Rognes singing; Spokane Symphony musicians Sarah Bass, Roberta Bottelli, and Jennifer Slaughter perform the original lullabies; and members of the Symphony Chorale sing traditional lullabies. The concert on May 6 at the downtown Spokane Public Library is free and open to the public.

The first Lullaby Project took place at Jacobi Medical Center in the Bronx, New York in December 2011, and since then more than 4,000 families have written original songs for their children, many of which are available for listening and sharing at carnegiehall.org/lullabies. Lullabies have been written in more than 20 different languages and a wide range of musical styles, reflecting the diverse backgrounds of participating families.

Lullaby Project Concert

Saturday, May 6 from 11am-12pm

Spokane Public Library; Central Location

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