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Santa Rosa Symphony Renews Contract of Music Director Bruno Ferrandis

(Santa Rosa, CA)—The Santa Rosa Symphony Board of Directors has unanimously approved the renewal of Bruno Ferrandis' contract as Music Director for five years. Ferrandis was chosen and appointed in July of 2006 and, with this renewal, will serve as conductor and Music Director of the Symphony through June of 2014.

The maestro said he felt "very honored and proud" to have his contract renewed. "It is a tremendous mark of trust I am offered by an incredible community and supportive public," Ferrandis said. "This is an orchestra, staff and board of the highest rank. With anticipation of moving into an international class concert hall, I am becoming a very optimistic musician!"

Board of Directors President Jay Abbe said, "It's wonderful that Bruno has been so well-received by our audience. Following in the substantial footsteps of Jeffrey Kahane, our new music director has garnered excellent reviews and continues to lead our orchestra forward."

"Bruno was the clear choice of the musicians when he was hired three years ago," commented Jeanette Isenberg, Chair of the Orchestra's Players Committee. "The orchestra and our maestro have been building a relationship over the last three years and now have the opportunity to continue that process."

SRS Executive Director Alan Silow was enthusiastic about his ongoing working relationship with the music director. "Bruno has brought a highly collaborative approach to programming, incorporating other arts, and taking our orchestra into adventurous territory. Especially noteworthy was the *Metropolis* silent film/contemporary music project at Stanford Lively Arts last December. Bruno's artistic vision is furthering our reputation for thoughtful and innovative programming."

--Photo of Bruno Ferrandis available upon request--