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Lyceum Philharmonic to Perform with The Piano Guys for PBS Broadcast *“Beethoven’s 5 Secrets” to be included on Piano Guys Debut CD*

September 14, 2012, Salt Lake City, Utah – On September 19th, the American Heritage Lyceum Philharmonic will be performing with recently-signed Sony Masterworks Artists The Piano Guys at Red Butte Garden. The nationally-televised PBS broadcast, “*Live From Red Butte*” will feature the Lyceum Philharmonic performing *Beethoven’s 5 Secrets*.

Beethoven’s 5 Secrets, orchestrated by Lyceum Philharmonic Director Kayson Brown and Piano Guys Cellist Steven Sharp Nelson was created by combining OneRepublic’s Billboard Top 40 hit “*Secrets*” with melodies from all four movements of *Beethoven’s 5th Symphony*. Released in February 2012, the orchestral and vocal releases of *Beethoven’s 5 Secrets* have a combined 9.5 million views. *Beethoven’s 5 Secrets* will also be included in the Piano Guys’ Debut CD, to be released in October.

The PBS broadcast, produced by KUED-TV in collaboration with KBYU, will be televised locally in December and nationally in 2013, and will also feature Alex Boyé, a children’s choir, and a ‘semi-professional accordionist from the Dark Side’. Additionally, The Piano Guys will debut a new song during the concert.

Brown said, “Collaborating with The Piano Guys has been one of the most fun and rewarding experiences of my professional career. The way that they electrify audiences and inspire young musicians is second to none. Mixing Beethoven and OneRepublic has both educated and motivated a rising generation of classically trained musicians.”

“Performing on a PBS Great Performances special is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for the students of the American Heritage Lyceum Philharmonic,” Brown continued. “In fact, for most musicians, it’s an opportunity that doesn’t even come once in a lifetime. We are honored to be sharing the stage with The Piano Guys.”

What: “Live from Red Butte”, a PBS Live Concert and Recording for Television

When: September 19th, 2012

Time: 7:00 p.m. Doors Open 6:00 p.m.

Where: Red Butte Garden, Salt Lake City

Tickets: Prices vary and are available in advance through Red Butte Garden in person, on the Web at www.RedButteGarden.org or by phone at 801-585-0556.

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About The American Heritage Lyceum Philharmonic

The American Heritage Lyceum Philharmonic has been named "Best Youth Performing Ensemble" by Best of State® Utah for the past four consecutive years. Their 2012 joint release with The Piano Guys, *Beethoven's 5 Secrets*, spent 48 days as the No. 1 download on the iTunes Classical Charts. This professional-level student ensemble has performed with David Archuleta, The 5 Browns, Alex Boyé, Peter Breinholt, Jenny Oaks Baker, Paul Cardall, Michael Ballam, Dallyn Vail Bayles, George Dyer, Jordan Bluth, and Cactus Jack La MARR. The Lyceum Philharmonic recently released its first commercial album entitled *Hearts & Minds*. The album features sacred LDS music alongside classical masterworks by Mahler, Bernstein, and others. These accomplished young musicians are all high-school aged and come from schools across the state of Utah to participate in the after-school Lyceum Orchestras Program at [American Heritage School](#).

About Kayson Brown

Kayson Brown is a passionate music educator whose primary goal is to inspire audiences and the young musicians he directs. As the founder of the Lyceum Music Festival and director of the American Heritage Lyceum Orchestras Program, he oversees four youth orchestras and a nationally significant summer music festival. In all these endeavors, Kayson seeks to connect talented young musicians with their professional counterparts and has succeeded in creating programs that consistently attract large audiences to meaningful concerts that serve a purpose beyond financial gain or mere entertainment. Kayson co-wrote the *Beethoven's 5 Secrets* single that ranked No. 1 on the iTunes Classical Charts and currently has nearly 10 million views on YouTube. He holds a Master's Degree in Orchestral Conducting from Brigham Young University where he served as conducting faculty. Kayson has conducted over 25 symphony orchestras including the Omaha Symphony, Round Rock Symphony, all five BYU Orchestras, both University of Utah Orchestras, Cleveland Institute of Music Orchestra, Brevard Music Center Orchestra, Savior of the World Musical Orchestra, The Pearl Awards Orchestra, and Student Honors Orchestras in Salt Lake and Cache Counties.

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