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The purpose of this organization, operating under the auspices of the Houston Symphony society, is to promote quality music education and enrichment programs for area students and to promote music appreciation in the Bay Area through an affiliation with the Houston Symphony and other resources.

HOUSTON SYMPHONY LEAGUE BAY AREA PRESENTS

Rob Landes

**Wednesday, September 12
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
10 a.m.**



Rob Landes, Houston's consummate musician and entertainer, will open HSLBA's 2012-2013 Season at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church on September 12 at 10:00 am. A favorite of the league, Rob Landes programs are always entertaining and informative and his medley of songs suggested by audience participants is great fun.

Landes began studying piano at the age three and made his "debut" on the Art Linkletter House Party at age four. His performance career, took him to venues in the United States, Canada, and Europe. He was keyboardist for the rock group Fever Tree; traveled with Marilyn Maye as her pianist; and conducted the Count Basie Orchestra and the Buddy Rich Band.

Landes is a native Houstonian who has worked in many theatrical productions at the Alley Theatre, Theatre Under the Stars (TUTS), and the Cultural Arts Council of Houston among others. As an organist he has been associated with several Houston churches, currently serving as Organist & Artist in Residence at St. Luke United Methodist Church where he writes music for the choirs and performs organ and piano concerts there and around the country. His Rob Landes Trio is known for performances in concert at Jones Hall, The Wortham Theatre, Houston Jazz Festival and The Grand 1894 Opera House as well as many supper clubs and hotels in Houston. For more information visit his website www.roblandes.com.

Houston Symphony League Bay Area (HSLBA2012-2013)

President's Message

Dear Members,

After a delightful and very successful Wine and Cheese Membership event chaired by Pat Biddle, we are off and running for another year!

With thanks to Mary Voigt for the fine job she is doing, I can tell you our programs for this year are fantastic. You can find the schedule on our web site, hslba.org. Our next regular meeting is at Gloria Dei on Wednesday, September 12, at 10:00 AM. You will not want to miss the program by Rob Landes, one of our most popular and exciting performers.

You should also make special note of the upcoming special event, Music at the Museum, to be held the evening of October 23, 2012 at the Bay Area Museum in Clear Lake Park. There is no doubt that the refreshments will be wonderful, the entertainment will be extraordinary, and the evening will be memorable. This event is by reservation only and will sell out. You will receive more information about this in the coming weeks.

We have some sad news to share. Peg Beaver and Victoria Wendling, both of whom have been devoted and hardworking members of the League over the years, have passed away. These dear ladies will be missed and mourned by their many friends in our group and our condolences go out to their families.

We need your help! Our Home Tour Committee, chaired by Vickie Buxton, is working hard laying the ground work for this all-important fund raiser. As part of our commitment as members of HSLBA, each of us should play a role in making sure we have another successful, enjoyable pre-tour party (March 22, 2013) and home tour (March 22-24, 2013) this year. Please do all that you can to volunteer in some capacity, from helping with the party, to selling an ad for the Tour Book, and to being a docent in a home on the tour. It is all fun and fulfilling and the money we earn is essential to support HSLBA's music education in the schools.

I am looking forward to working with all of you this year, and I appreciate all that you do for our Houston Symphony League Bay Area.

Thank you,
Carole Murphy, President
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HOME TOUR

Home Tour 2013 Co-Chairmen Vicki Buxton and Pat Biddle have gathered the steering committee and they have begun working on the Home Tour, to be held Saturday, March 23, 2013 and Sunday, March 24, 2013. The pre-tour party, chaired by Pat Bertelli, is in the planning stage also, to be held Friday, March 22. Joan Wade and Natalie Ong are scoping out beautiful waterfront homes and have gotten one, maybe two already. After doing such a fabulous job last year, Alberta Rohlfing is heading up the Ticket Sales. The Publicity,/Ad Book Coordinators are Barbara Spencer, Patience Myers-Hebert, and Nina McGlashan. House Chair Co-Coordinator Sonya Markham and Ellen Lancaster will be searching for docents and other volunteers. Advisors to this large project are Dana Puddy, Pat Brackett, Mary Alys Cherry, Isabel Konradi, and Nina McGlashan. Be sure to mark your 2013 calendar for our fabulous home tour.

BUS TRIP TO CYNTHIA WOODS MITCHELL PAVILION

Forty-seven members and friends were transported by bus to the Cynthia Woods Pavilion in the Woodlands on July 3, 2012 for a Patriotic concert.

During the ride there, all enjoyed a box supper prepared by La Madeline Restaurant and beverages were also served. The Houston Symphony performed a wonderful Patriotic Concert. Included in the program was

a tribute to Simon and Garfunkel. The music selections were enjoyed by all.

Many thanks to all who participated in this event and to all of those who assisted Cindy Kuennecke and Helene Poling. We hope you can join us next year...

WINE AND CHEESE MEMBERSHIP EVENT

Thanks to all the ladies who made the wonderful hors d'oeuvres and desserts for this event, held at Tencha and Bill Heimlich's beautiful home on Thursday, August 23. A lot of guests showed interest in our programs, and now we have some new members. The event was chaired by Pat Biddle who made everyone feel right at home, and took checks for membership. Have you paid your dues? Pat will be happy to take your check.

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Articles due October 1

October meeting
Wednesday, October 10
10 a.m.

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
Paragon Brass

Board Meeting
September 24 (LAST Monday of September)
9:30 coffee and 10:00 a.m. meeting
Bay Area Community Center

Memorial Music Education Fund

Houston Symphony League Bay Area has established the Memorial Music Fund to accept donations in memory of friends and family members. HSLBA will gratefully accept and acknowledge any contributions. State the name of the person you wish to remember and provide the name and address of the person to receive notification of the contribution.

If you know of an HSLBA member who has had a serious illness, or death of a spouse or child, please notify Doris Macek-Humbach at 281-996-0671 or dmacek@flash.net.

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