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New Holiday Concert by Melodia Mariposa, Dec. 21, 6 p.m.

Pasadena, CA -- Winter-inspired favorites and beloved holiday classics will be performed by Melodia Mariposa's star-filled orchestra in their inaugural concert at the Altadena Town & Country Club, December 21, 2022, with 6:00 p.m. reception. The concert commences at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$55 are available at www.melodiamariposa.org.

The evening will begin with a pre-concert reception of light refreshments and a no-host bar where attendees take in the breath-taking views from this elegant venue.

The program will have something for all ages and musical tastes starting with Anderson's *Sleigh Ride*, Irving Berlin's *White Christmas*, and Tchaikovsky's *Trepak* from *Nutcracker*. The orchestra and soloists will be led by esteemed, three-time Tony Awards nominee conductor and orchestrator Larry Blank. His entertainment credentials include dozens of Broadway musicals.

Key soloist Michele Zukofsky, Principal Clarinetist for 54 years of the Los Angeles Philharmonic orchestra will be featured, and one of America's most versatile voices Lisa Vroman, Broadway star and recipient of the Theatre Critics' awards for the role of Christine Daaé in The Phantom of the Opera, brings a long list of theater and recording credits from New York to San Francisco to Los Angeles.

Melodia Mariposa, a 501 c 3 nonprofit, was founded by violinist Irina Voloshina. Voloshina has received Los Angeles County recognition for holding free weekly neighborhood concerts for two years throughout the pandemic.

"What do they say? The show must go on," she enthuses. Her commitment to create music for as many as possible led her to start her own musical ensemble of fifteen world-class players. "I intend to continue these quality and approachable repertoires on a regular basis in small settings around the Altadena and Pasadena area." Voloshina's goal is to keep the cost of the events low with fundraising and the support of those who value unique events that will expand to include dining, music, and even dancing.

Following the joyful evening of seasonal music will be a champagne toast to the holidays. The Altadena Town & Country Club is at 2290 Country Club Drive in Altadena. For more information, visit melodiamariposa.org.