Dear Patron.

The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts through its programming wing, Kimmel Center Presents, will introduce a year-round programming schedule that supports and complements our Resident Companies' classical presentations and satisfies the broad-programming interests of all Philadelphians.

In seasons past, Kimmel Center Presents has announced its full season in the spring. By now, you would have received a brochure that offered subscription packages and touted the full season's presentations. This year, in lieu of subscription packages, performances will be offered for individual sale and through innovative packaging as they are added to our performance schedule. This will allow you to pick and choose across all of our offerings while still being afforded special benefits.

Kimmel Center Presents will continue to present world renowned visiting orchestras and classical artists, including the Simón Bolívar Symphony Orchestra of Venezuela in Verizon Hall on December 5, 2012 and James Galway in Verizon Hall on March 19, 2013, available for purchase to Great Orchestra Subscribers on May 7, 2012. However, The Great Orchestra Series will no longer be offered as a packaged series.

We encourage you to continue to explore Kimmel Center Presents' many extraordinary offerings. In particular, we are excited to introduce our first collaboration for five concerts with the Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, an organization known for its superb selection of classical soloists and chamber ensembles. Jazz performances will tour spaces throughout the Center including our exquisite, newly-renovated rooftop, the Hamilton Garden. And popular artist from Tony Bennett to Jerry Seinfeld will continue to fill our halls. With Kimmel Center Presents, our amazing Broadway Series, and with the return of the Philadelphia International Festival of the Arts (PIFA) in April 2013, the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts' presentations continue to offer the most dynamic, diverse programming on Broad Street!

In addition to our own presentations, The Kimmel Center is Philadelphia's world-class home for the performing arts. Our eight esteemed Resident Companies --The Philadelphia Orchestra, Peter Nero and The Philly Pops, Opera Company of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Ballet, PHILADANCO!, The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, The Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, and American Theater Arts for Youth--are internationally acclaimed and provide the very best in classical, dance, and family programming. Our new approach allows us to continue to complement the work of the many presenters and companies who call the Kimmel Center home while being responsive to the communities we serve in a meaningful way.

We are thrilled about our new performance season and look forward to sharing information with you as program details emerge. To be among the first to hear about programming additions, please make sure you are on our email list and don't forget to check our website regularly. We thank you for your patronage and for your continued support of The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts.

Sincerely,

Anne Ewers
President and CEO