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Sarasota Orchestra Receives Grant from Charles & Margery Barancik Foundation

SARASOTA, FL – December 9, 2021 – Sarasota Orchestra was awarded a \$120,000 grant from Charles & Margery Barancik Foundation.

The grant will support the Sarasota Orchestra’s 2021-2022 season, including the return of performances in a variety of formats, from Masterworks to Pops to Discoveries and Great Escapes, as well as the Orchestra’s Outdoor Pops at Ed Smith Stadium. The grant also supports Sarasota Orchestra’s extensive education programs and its On the Road with SO: Parks and Partners community concerts.

“We are grateful for the tremendous support from Charles & Margery Barancik Foundation, which ensures a bright future for Sarasota Orchestra and sustains the music for our entire community,” said Sarasota Orchestra President and CEO Joseph McKenna. Sarasota Orchestra’s mission is to engage, educate and enrich the community through high-quality, live musical experiences.

About Charles & Margery Barancik Foundation:

The Charles & Margery Barancik Foundation family has long believed in the power of philanthropy to shape our world and enrich the lives of all people. It was the expression of this belief that led them in 2014 to establish Charles & Margery Barancik Foundation – a private, family foundation located in Sarasota, Florida. Barancik Foundation creates initiatives and

awards grants in Sarasota and beyond in the areas of education, humanitarian causes, arts and culture, environment, and medical research. Visit www.barancikfoundation.org to learn more.

About Sarasota Orchestra:

Since 1949, Sarasota Orchestra has inspired and entertained music-lovers across the region and visitors from around the world. As the oldest continuing orchestra in the state of Florida, each year the 76-member Orchestra performs more than 100 classical, pops, chamber music, and community outreach concerts. Sarasota Orchestra's acclaimed music education program includes the Sarasota Youth Orchestras, established in 1959. Sarasota Orchestra is also the parent program of the world-renowned Sarasota Music Festival, founded in 1965. For further information, please visit www.SarasotaOrchestra.org.

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- High-resolution photography is available at www.sarasotaorchestra.org/download

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