

BSO to present Elgar's Enigma

The Baytown Symphony Orchestra is kicking off its 51st season with a bang! Italian violinist Laura Cividino will perform the beloved Violin Concerto in E minor by Felix Mendelssohn at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7, in Lee College's beautiful Performing Arts Center.

This performance is Cividino's debut with the Baytown Symphony, but she is no stranger to the greater Houston area. She performs regularly with the Houston New Arts Movement, Mercury Chamber Orchestra, Bach Society Houston, Austin Baroque Orchestra, and the Brazos Valley Symphony — among other guest appearances — and tours internationally with the Calliope String Quartet. You are sure to be impressed by her rich sound and musical depth.

This season-opening concert will conclude with Edward Elgar's unparalleled Enigma Variations. This inspired work is built from multiple short movements that represent the important people in the British composer's life, from his wife to his colleagues. This orchestral homage to Elgar's friends is among his greatest works and, undoubtedly, one of the finest works by a British composer.

Student tickets are free at the box office before the concert.

The program includes "The Italian in Algiers" Overture by Rossini, Violin Concerto in E minor by Mendelssohn, and Enigma Variations by Elgar.