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Tafelmusik's Carnegie Hall Debut, February 13, 2009

As part of **Tafelmusik's four-city U.S. Tour: February 6 - 14, 2009**

Los Alamos, NM, Lawrence, KS, Milwaukee, WI, New York, NY

For Tafelmusik's Carnegie Hall debut on February 13th, the ensemble will be performing Handel's *Water Music* and Rameau's *Dardanus* (featured on Tafelmusik's Grammy Award-nominated, and JUNO Award winning CD). The ensemble returns to Zankel Hall on Saturday, February 14th at 1PM for *A Water Music Adventure*, a family concert as part of Carnegie Hall's Family Concerts series.

As the sixth of seven tours in the 2008-2009 season, from February 6 to 14, 2009, Tafelmusik embarks on a four-city tour of the United States. The Orchestra will perform in Los Alamos, NM; Lawrence, KS; and Milwaukee, WI; and the tour concludes with the Tafelmusik's Carnegie Hall debut at Zankel Hall on February 13th and 14th. Directly following this tour, Tafelmusik brings the *Water Music* programme home to Toronto for a 30th Anniversary concert celebration.

"Tafelmusik has performed at some of the finest concert halls around the world, and we are thrilled to be making our Carnegie Hall debut as part of our 30th Anniversary celebrations this season," states Tafelmusik Music Director **Jeanne Lamon**.

Tafelmusik's dedication to bringing baroque and classical music to audiences around the world is exemplified through its rigorous touring schedule each year. In its 30 year history the ensemble has toured to 389 cities in 28 countries. In the 2009-2010 season, the orchestra will embark on two major European tours, as well as Canadian and American tours.

As part of Tafelmusik's ongoing commitment to music education both in Toronto and on tour, Tafelmusik is providing permanent music education classroom materials to the school groups they meet, including a curriculum-based study guide on the *A Water Music Adventure* program by Tafelmusik's Julia Wedman and Connexion Arts. In addition to these study guides, teachers will receive Tafelmusik's recording of Handel's *Water Music*, the Juno Award-winning TafelKIDS™ recording *Baroque Adventure: The Quest for Arundo Donax* CD, and the critically acclaimed *Four Seasons Mosaic* DVD which was filmed in China, India, the Canadian Arctic and Toronto. Tafelmusik will also provide links to educational resource materials online (www.tafelmusik.org/education) as well as interactive educational webquest games for children.

2009 UNITED STATES TOUR SCHEDULE & PROGRAMMES

Friday, February 6 – Los Alamos, NM

Venue:	Duane Smith Auditorium
Time:	8:00PM
Presenter:	Los Alamos Concert Association
Tickets:	For tickets (\$35, \$30 for seniors) please call (505) 662-9000 or visit LosAlamosConcert.org
Programme:	Mixed Baroque: Purcell, Locatelli, Veracini, J.S. Bach & Handel

Sunday, February 8 – Lawrence, KS

Venue: The Lied Center at the University of Kansas
Time: 7:30PM
Presenter: University of Kansas
Tickets: For tickets (\$20-\$40) please call the box office at (785) 864-2787 or visit www.lied.ku.edu
Programme: Mixed Baroque: Purcell, Locatelli, Veracini, J.S. Bach & Handel

Friday, February 10 – Milwaukee, WI

Venue: Cardinal Stritch University Theatre
Time: 7:30PM
Presenter: Early Music Now
Tickets: For tickets (\$20-\$48) please call 414-225-3113 or visit www.earlymusicnow.org
Programme: Mixed Baroque: Purcell, Locatelli, Veracini, J.S. Bach & Handel

Friday, February 13 – New York, NY

Venue: Carnegie Hall (Zankel Hall)
Time: 7:30PM
Presenter: Carnegie Hall, Baroque Unlimited series
Tickets: For tickets (\$56-\$62) please call CarnegieCharge at 212-247-7800.
Programme: Rameau Suite from *Dardanus*
Handel *Water Music*

Saturday, February 14 – New York, NY

Venue: Carnegie Hall (Zankel Hall)
Time: 1:00PM
Presenter: Carnegie Hall Family Concerts
Tickets: For tickets (\$9) please call CarnegieCharge at 212-247-7800.
Programme: *A Water Music Adventure*-- Programmed and scripted by Tafelmusik violinist Julia Wedman, this concert takes young listeners on an interactive journey to 18th-century Europe while introducing them to the music of Handel, Boccherini, J.S. Bach and Vivaldi.

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Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra, led by Music Director Jeanne Lamon and founded in 1979, is one of the world's leading period performance ensembles. All members of the Orchestra are specialists in historical performance practice, and their collaboration results in a delightful transparency, vitality and richness of sound. Tafelmusik performs over 50 concerts a year at home in Toronto, tours extensively around the world, has released over 70 CDs and has received nine JUNO Awards. Tafelmusik is the Baroque Orchestra-in-Residence at the Faculty of Music, University of Toronto and operates its annual Tafelmusik Baroque Summer Institute which attracts pre-professional and professional musicians from around the world. The Tafelmusik Chamber Choir, specializing in baroque performance practice and vocal technique, was formed in 1981 to complement the Orchestra. In 2007-2008, Tafelmusik embarked on five major tours to three continents. Last season Tafelmusik also celebrated the release of their 74th and 75th CDs, well as the DVD release of the critically acclaimed The Four Seasons Mosaic documentary. This season, Tafelmusik will embark on seven tours and will celebrate its Carnegie Hall debut in February, 2009.

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