## LOS ANGELES



YASUO SHINOZAKI, CONDUCTOR

ANDRÉ WATTS, PIANO

Thursday, February 14, 2002, 8:00 Friday, February 15, 1:00 Saturday, February 16, 8:00 Sunday, February 17, 2:30

The Los Angeles Philharmonic regrets to announce that conductor Hans Vonk has been forced to cancel his performances this weekend due to illness. Mr. Vonk will be replaced by the Philharmonic's Assistant Conductor Yasuo Shinozaki in his Philharmonic subscription concert debut. The program is unchanged.

Los Angeles Philharmonic Assistant Conductor YASUO SHINOZAKI made his debut with the orchestra at its Peninsula Music Fair in September of 2001. Already this season he has conducted the orchestra in Symphonies for Youth, Pasadena Youth, and Neighborhood and Community concerts.

Shinozaki made his mark at the Second International Sibelius Conducting Competition in Helsinki in 2000. Awarded Second Prize, Shinozaki's performance of Sibelius' Symphony No. 2 was met with profound praise from orchestra members as well as the jury. As a result, he was immediately asked to conduct the Helsinki Philharmonic in a



performance of Dvořák's Symphony No. 9, and the Turku Philharmonic with a program including Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4 and Dutilleux's Cello Concerto with Steven Isserlis.

Shinozaki completed his conducting studies at the Vienna Musikhochschule with Leopold Hager and also worked with Myung-Whun Chung at Siena Chigiana, and with Seiji Ozawa and Bernard Haitink at Tanglewood. Shinozaki made his opera debut with Mozart's *Marriage of Figaro* in Tokyo in 1993 and has subsequently conducted at several opera houses in Japan, including the Tokyo Nikikai Opera and the Japan National Opera Theater.

Yasuo Shinozaki has worked extensively with orchestras throughout Japan in a wide range of repertoire, and last season he returned to the Kansai Philharmonic Orchestra, the Orchestra Musica Celeste, and the Osaka Symphony Orchestra. He also made his debut with the Fukuoka City Philharmonic Orchestra. This season he will conduct Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 with the Osaka Symphony Orchestra.