



PITTSBURGH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

LAWRENCE J. TAMBURRI
President and CEO

Lawrence Tamburri has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra (PSO) since January 2004. Prior to joining the PSO, he served in the same capacity for the New Jersey, Savannah and New Hampshire Symphony Orchestras.

Since Tamburri began with the PSO, the orchestra has seen the development and implementation of an innovative strategic plan. It has accomplished a four-year increase in subscription ticket sales, resulting in a 14-year high for classical subscriptions. In the fall of 2006 the PSO launched an \$80 million capital campaign, initiated by a \$29.5 million transformational gift from the R. P. Simmons family. During Tamburri's tenure the orchestra has traveled on six international tours, including the first in twenty-two years to mainland China, and has released eight internationally acclaimed recordings. In 2007 the PSO hired its ninth music director, Manfred Honeck.

Tamburri's publications include *Trust*, which appeared in the April 1997 issue of *Harmony*. He participated in an August 2002 seminar held in Salzburg, Austria: the Alberto Vilar Project on Critical Issues for the Classical Performing Arts. Tamburri traveled to Yekaterinburg, Russia in October of 2003 as a consultant to URAL/Siberian Arts organizations for the Fund for Arts and Culture of Eastern and Central Europe. In March 2004, he participated in the American Assembly's public policy forum, "Creative Campus: The Training, Sustaining and Presenting of the Performing Arts in Higher Education." Tamburri served as a member of the Adjunct Faculty of Seton Hall University's Graduate Arts Administration program, and taught at Carnegie Mellon University's Heinz School of Public Policy. He has been a panelist serving for regional and national arts foundations and agencies and a guest speaker at national conferences of the League of American Orchestras, and the Association of British Orchestras. Most recently in March 2010, The U.S. State Department sent Tamburri to conduct a week-long U.S. Speakers Program, "Managing Foundations for the Arts" in Belgrade, Serbia.

Tamburri received a Bachelor of Science degree in Music Education from Duquesne University, and studied under former Pittsburgh Symphony Assistant Principal Bass Robert Leininger. He holds

both an MA in Music History and Literature and an MBA from Arizona State University. He and his wife, Elizabeth Burnett, a pianist, have two adult children, Jack and Emilia.

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