



Consulate General of the Czech Republic  
in Los Angeles

## 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of Czechoslovakia

Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall at Segerstrom Center for the Arts

in Costa Mesa, California

to Host a Special Performance by the Pacific Symphony of Antonín Dvořák's Symphony No. 9, "From the New World,"

in Celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of Czechoslovakia

and Bridging Czech Lands, California, and the Pacific in Pangea World's Libretto for a "New World Symphony for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century"

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*On Sunday, October 28, 2018, The Honorable Pavol Šepel'ák, Consul General of the Czech Republic in Los Angeles, and Dr. Hana Ayala, Founder, President, and Chief Executive of Pangea World corporation, headquartered in Irvine, will be honored to join Maestro Carl St. Clair, Music Director of the Pacific Symphony, in the Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall, to project a unique bond between two nations into a pioneer transnational effort to build sustainable prosperity powered by knowledge and nurtured by heritage.*

The occasion will pay tribute to two giants of the Czech history: the preeminent Czech composer Antonín Dvořák and the visionary Founding President of Czechoslovakia Tomáš Garrigue Masaryk, whose singular legacies of deep connections to the United States are global in stature and significance. And it will further immortalize their legacies by extolling the inspiration they provided for Pangea World's endeavor to expand the frontiers of the "New World" across the vast island-dotted Pacific whose natural capital packed with latent scientific knowledge could rewrite the strength and conservation potential of the global knowledge-economy. Villa Tugendhat in the Czech city of Brno, architect Ludwig Mies van der Rohe's masterpiece of "free-flowing" space that revolutionized architecture, is now the official emblem of this endeavor to chart "free-flowing" bridges of knowledge and diplomacy to benefit humanity for generations to come.

**Villa Tugendhat is a UNESCO World Heritage Site as is Independence Hall in Philadelphia**, where Masaryk proclaimed the independence of Czechoslovakia and where the transformative power of freedom welded the U.S.-Czech alliance and friendship. By virtue of their World Heritage stature, both sites are of "outstanding universal value" to all of humanity. Pangea World is anchoring this precious World Heritage affinity here in California, the chosen portal into its mission to shepherd a transformative path for the knowledge economy.

The October 28, 2018, celebration of a historic anniversary, master-planned jointly by the Pacific Symphony, the Czech Consulate General in Los Angeles, and Pangea World, will engender an unprecedented alliance of art, diplomacy, and science—an alliance uniquely positioned to navigate the new Pacific frontier of the "Bridges of Awakenings" that Antonín Dvořák and Tomáš Garrigue Masaryk established between Czech lands and America.

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The concert, starting at 3:00 p.m., is sponsored by Pangea World (Dr. Hana Ayala). For further information, please see also: Pangea World's Announcement: <http://www.pangeaworld.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Pangea-1018-event-announce-sm.pdf> and Pacific Symphony's Press Release: <https://www.pacificsymphony.org/about-us/press-room/press-releases/2018-19/2018-Czech-100>

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