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Matthias Barnert entertained with the SB Symphony

Maestro Matthias & Mozart

Mozart reigned supreme when the Santa Barbara Symphony performed its second concert of the 60th season at the Granada featuring guest conductor Matthias Bamert.

The maestro, who was music director of the London Mozart Players for seven years and has masterminded a very successful series of recordings of works by "Contemporaries of Mozart" which has already exceeded 75 symphonies, was in fine form, kicking off the show with the Austrian wunderkind's Serenade No.10 for winds and double bass in B-flat major, with just 13 players of wind instruments on the large stage.

After the intermission, the strings took over with the 1787 work Eine kleine Nachtmusik – Serenade No. 13 in G major –, one of Mozart's most familiar works, wrapping the entertaining show as a full orchestra with the haunting Symphony No. 25 in G minor...