

The Santa Barbara Symphony *Opening Night*



Back: **Judy Murphy**; **Peter Murphy**; **Nir Kabaretti**, Music and Artistic Director; **Gillian Launie**; **Nina Venegas**. Front: SB Symphony Honorary Guests **Marilyn** and **Dr. H. Wallace Vandever**

THE SANTA BARBARA SYMPHONY'S 2009-2010 season is off to a flying start with all the magic, beauty, and joy of great music. The Symphony started their new season with its opening event, *From the Top*, which featured violinist Augustin Hadelich. The opening weekend marked the beginning of the fourth season in the tenure of Music and Artistic Director, Nir Kabaretti, who will conduct six of the seven concerts on the Symphony's subscription season.

The Symphony League hosted an opening night Gala at the Santa Barbara Club prior to the first concert. Honorary guests of the evening included Marilyn and Dr. H. Wallace Vandever. The evening included the auction of the New Year's Eve Baton, which allows the winner an opportunity to take over from Director Nir Kabaretti and conduct the



Dick Zylstra; **John Robinson**, SB Symphony Executive Director; and **Ann Zylstra**

orchestra plus box seats. A musician himself and with the guest baton at hand, A.C. Moore, auction winner will take a turn conducting the Symphony at the December 31st, New Year's Eve Pops Concert at the Arlington.

For more information call 898-9386 or visit www.thesymphony.org.



Diane Morgan; **Nina Venegas**, SB Symphony League President; **Tricia Dixon**; and **Sue Zilio**



Augustin Hadelich, Violinist; and **A.C. Moore**, winner of the New Year's Eve Baton



Gillian Launie, Board President; **Ramón Araiza**; **Patricia Gregory**, Auctioneer; **Mike Bryant**; and **Stefan Riesenfeld**

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