



**Pedro E. Segarra**  
Mayor

## **HARTFORD'S PROUD ARTS COMMUNITY IS ENRICHED**

### **---NEWS AND COMMUNITY STATEMENT---**

(May 9, 2011) --- Hartford Mayor Pedro E. Segarra is pleased to see that Hartford's already rich and diverse arts and heritage community is growing even stronger.

“First, the Hartford Symphony Orchestra made history by naming Maestra Carolyn Kuan as the first woman to lead the symphony as Music Director; and now the Hartford Stage has introduced Darko Tresnjak as its new Artistic Director. Hartford is an Arts Mecca and these professionals with their national and international reputations will build upon our city's creative success and the positive economic ripple effect it provides for our local businesses,” said Mayor Segarra.

Maestra Kuan will replace Maestro Edward Cumming, whose last performance with HSO is June 4<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Tresnjak will succeed Michael Wilson on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

On April 30<sup>th</sup>, Mayor Segarra presented Mr. Wilson with the Key to the City on behalf of his accomplishments with the Tony Award winning theatre both on stage and in the classroom with its educational outreach to future artists.

“This could be a new Golden Age in Hartford's long history of artistic accomplishments. Once again, Hartford looks to be a choice destination and the high caliber of artistic events proves our City is moving in the right direction,” stated Mayor Segarra.