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this orchestra has been a beacon of hope for the people of Tohoku. The young musicians from Fukushima will bring to American audiences their glorious music and their stories of survival, courage and recovery. Share through music their remarkable journey of collaboration, resilience and hope!













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The Fukushima Youth Sinfonietta



The Fukushima Youth Sinfonietta at Tokyo Opera City, August 20, 2015

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The Japan Society of Boston, in association with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Keys of Change, the "TOMODACHI Initiative" of the U.S.-Japan Council, the Embassy of the United States in Tokyo, and the Consulate-General of Japan in Boston, is proud to present the American debut performance of the Fukushima Youth Sinfonietta at Boston's renowned Symphony Hall on April 3, 2016. This special concert is in commemoration of the fifth anniversary of the earthquakes/tsunami/nuclear radiation disasters in northeastern Japan on March 11, 2011.

The Fukushima Youth Sinfonietta was created by students from four Fukushima middle-schools in the immediate aftermath of the 2011 disasters. Coached and mentored by international musicians from Keys of Change (a British NGO dedicated to helping children through music) who have traveled nearly twenty times to Fukushima in the last five years, the orchestra has grown to include more than 150 students from ten Fukushima high-schools and middle-schools, and has been recognized as a beacon of hope for the local communities as they struggle to recover. FYS first won international recognition in a 2014 concert at Queen Elizabeth Hall in London. In August 2015, it made its Tokyo debut in a highly praised concert at Tokyo Opera City in the presence of the Empress of Japan. The orchestra will spend a week in Boston doing a series of music workshops, exchanges with local high-schools and youth orchestras, visits to historic sites, culminating in its major Symphony Hall concert on April 3, 2016.

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