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Orchestra London names new music director

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LONDON, Ont. - Timothy Vernon has been hired as the new music director and conductor of Orchestra London.

However, there's a catch. The orchestra must meet its fundraising goal of \$330,000 by the end of May. Otherwise, Orchestra London will be out of business and Vernon out of a job.

Vernon says the orchestra can meet the financial deadline. He thinks Orchestra London is on the verge of a rebirth.

Vernon has been the artistic director of Pacific Opera Victoria since its inception in 1980.