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HYSO Director Casey Springstead Receives 2017 Hochstein Faculty Service Award

At the Hochstein All-Faculty Meeting on Saturday, September 9, Hochstein President & Executive Director Margaret Quackenbush recognized Hochstein Youth Symphony Orchestra (HYSO) Director **Casey Springstead** as the winner of the **2017 Faculty Service Award**. She said, "As a longtime member of our ensembles faculty, Casey has been an incredibly thoughtful, dedicated, inspiring musician and educator, giving all the students who've had the good fortune to play under his baton the finest musical leadership I can imagine."

The Faculty Service Award was first given in 1990 to recognize the contributions of outstanding faculty members to the work of the Hochstein School. Nominations are solicited from the entire faculty, from a list of those who have completed at least five years of teaching at Hochstein.

Casey Springstead has been a member of Hochstein's faculty since 2003, and HYSO Director since 2012. He conducts weekly rehearsals and several concerts a year by the HYSO, which is an advanced youth orchestra comprised of grade 7-12 students from all over the Rochester region. A graduate of the Eastman School of Music, Springstead is also a music educator with the West Irondequoit Schools, a guest conductor with a number of area ensembles, and hornist with the Penfield Symphony Orchestra. He lives in Webster with his wife and Hochstein faculty member, Kirsta Rodean, and their two children, Orson and Malin.

About Hochstein: The Hochstein School of Music & Dance celebrates 97 years of nurturing the creative spirit by providing excellent music and dance instruction to anyone who is interested—regardless of age, level of skill, background, or ability to pay. Established in 1920 as The David Hochstein Memorial Music School, today Hochstein serves approximately 4,000 students annually from a 12-county region surrounding Rochester, N.Y., with offerings in music, dance, and Expressive Arts (music, art, and dance therapy). In addition, the Hochstein School continues its commitment to the Rochester community by offering a variety of free and low cost concerts and performances in the Hochstein Performance Hall throughout the year. For more information, visit www.hochstein.org.