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NEW DATE for Hochstein's Annual Musical Mystery Tour Featuring Scavenger Hunt, Instrument Petting Zoo, Drum Circle, and More

Other March concerts include Youth Singers, Sinfonia, Concertino Strings, HochStrings Adult Chamber Orchestra, and Finger Lakes Concert Band

ROCHESTER, N.Y.— The Hochstein School's annual **Musical Mystery Tour** as been rescheduled for **Sunday, March 24, 2019, from 2:00–4:00 pm**. The original January event was cancelled due to a snowstorm. Musical Mystery Tour sends children on a scavenger hunt for dance and music clues scattered throughout the historic Hochstein building, while the exceptional Hochstein faculty guide young gumshoes through music, dance, and craft activities. Families can explore the school's offerings, learn more about the school, and even register for individual lessons and summer camps. *[See below for calendar listings for this and other upcoming Hochstein events.]*

This fun-filled afternoon includes an instrument petting zoo, interactive sessions of music FUNdamentals and dance classes, crafts and Music and Art Therapy activities, face painting, performances by Hochstein ensembles, and a huge drum circle!

Dr. Gary Palmer, Hochstein's Assistant Director and Dean, says, "The Musical Mystery Tour is a great opportunity for kids to try out a whole variety of instruments and get to meet one-on-one with Hochstein's expert faculty specialists, as well as experience fun musicianship and dance classes geared specifically for ages 3-10. There are also performances by Hochstein students throughout the afternoon. Plus, everyone gets a chance to explore Hochstein's beautiful, historic building in the course of filling out their 'mystery card' going from activity to activity."

Tickets are \$3 per child, \$5 per adult, and a maximum of \$10 per family. Children 2 and under are admitted free of charge.

Musical Mystery Tour is sponsored by LaBella Associates, with support from Nocon & Associates.

About Hochstein: The Hochstein School was founded in commemoration of genius and is dedicated to providing access to opportunity regardless of age, level of skill, ethnicity, or ability to pay. Hochstein's vibrant community of musicians, dancers, and supporters choose to come together to develop the ability to speak and communicate through music, dance, and expressive arts (music, art, and dance therapy). Established in 1920 as The David Hochstein Memorial Music School, today Hochstein serves approximately 3,500 students annually from a 12-county region surrounding Rochester, N.Y. and continues its commitment to the Rochester community by offering a variety of free and low-cost concerts and performances in the Hochstein Performance Hall—and locations around our city—throughout the year. For more information, visit <u>www.hochstein.org</u>.

CALENDAR LISTINGS

Hochstein Youth Singers – Four Minutes of Fame

Saturday, March 2, 2019; 10:30 am; Hochstein Performance Hall; free

Members of the Hochstein Youth Singers perform a variety of vocal and instrumental solos, as well as pieces featuring small ensembles of family members and friends.

Sinfonia & Concertino Strings in Concert

Sunday, March 3, 2019; 2:00 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall; free

Musicians in Hochstein's Sinfonia (grades 4-9, John Fetter, director; Matt Osika, Assistant Director), and Concertino Strings (grades 1-5, Marcos Kreutzer, director) orchestral ensembles give a joint afternoon concert. This concert is free and open to the public. The program includes selections from "Abdelazer" by the 17th-century composer Henry Purcell and Richard Meyer's "Acrobats" – a musical tour-de-force for string orchestra.

Voices of Spring Recital

Thursday, March 21, 2019; 6:30 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall; free

This free concert features young singers in Hochstein's choral program—Hochstein Singers and Youth Singers, directed by Maryellen Giese, and the Hochstein Little Singers, directed by Grace Adams. Joining them on stage will be individual voice students as well as special guests Sweden Senior Singers, a 60-member chorus from the Brockport area also directed by Maryellen Giese.

HochStrings: Haydn's Farewell Symphony

Friday, March 22, 2019; 5:45 pm; Hochstein Chapel; free

The winter concert of the HochStrings Adult Chamber Orchestra, directed by Pia Liptak, features Haydn's Symphony No. 45, known as the "Farewell" Symphony, arranged just for strings. Legend has it that Haydn composed this piece to convince his patron, Prince Nikolaus Esterházy, that it was time to leave the summer palace and return home so his musicians could see their families. The concert is free and open to the public.

Musical Mystery Tour

Sunday, March 24, 2019 **(NEW DATE!)**; 2:00–4:00 pm; The Hochstein School, 50 North Plymouth Avenue, Rochester NY 14614; \$3 per child, \$5 per adult, and a maximum of \$10 per family. Children 2 and under are admitted free of charge.

This fun-filled afternoon includes: an instrument petting zoo, scavenger hunt, interactive music and dance sessions, crafts, face painting, performances by Hochstein ensembles, and a huge drum circle! Children can search for dance and music clues scattered throughout the historic Hochstein building, and families can explore the school's offerings, learn more about the school, and even

register for individual lessons and summer camps and classes.

Finger Lakes Concert Band: Winter Concert

Sunday, March 24, 2019; 3:00 pm; Canandaigua Academy, 435 East Street, Canandaigua, NY; general admission tickets \$5, free for students 18 or under.

Under the direction of Gregory Kane, the Finger Lakes Concert Band brings together instrumentalists from around the Finger Lakes region to perform a wide variety of exciting music. For this concert, we travel to Italy for wind band arrangements of Puccini's "Nessun Dorma," Berlioz's "Roman Carnival" Overture, selections from Rossini's "Italian in Algiers," themes from great Italian movies, and more.

Spotlight on Faculty – Passionate Spring

Friday, March 29, 2019; 7:00 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall; admission at the door is \$10 per person, with a \$20 family maximum; a "meet the artists" reception follows the concert.

Members of the Hochstein String Faculty perform this celebration of music with a Romantic flair. The program includes Arnold Bax's expansive Harp Quintet; Three Tangos by Piazzolla, full of dramatic and intriguing expressions; Mark O'Connor's joyful *Appalachian Waltz*; and selections from Dohnanyi's evocative *Serenade*, Dvořák's unusual *Terzetto*, and Glinka's operatic Sextet. Featuring: Eri Noda, violin; Marcos Kreutzer, violin; Pia Liptak, violin; Katie Worley, violin; Heather Misula, violin; Megan Kemp, viola; Olita Povero, viola; Michelle Walker, viola; Kathleen Murphy Kemp, cello; Jennifer Carpenter, cello; Cora Swenson Lee, cello; Wan Ling Chuang, bass; Grace Wong, harp; and Yi-Wen Chang, piano.

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