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### **Hochstein's Annual Musical Mystery Tour Features Scavenger Hunt, Instrument Petting Zoo, Drum Circle, and More**

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

ROCHESTER, N.Y.— The Hochstein School's annual **Musical Mystery Tour** on **Sunday, March 8, 2020, from 2:00–4:00 pm**, 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 winter class sessions. **[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.

**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 [www.hochstein.org](http://www.hochstein.org).

## CALENDAR LISTINGS

### **Sinfonia & Concertino Strings in Concert**

Sunday, March 1, 2020; 2:00 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall; free

Musicians in Hochstein's Sinfonia (grades 4-9, John Fetter, 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 "Three Variations March" by Jorge Andrés Arbeláez, "Step Ladder" by Robert S. Frost and John Caponegro's "Fiddling A-Round."

### **Musical Mystery Tour**

Sunday, March 8, 2020; 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.

### **HochStrings: Strings Concertovaganza**

Friday, March 13, 2020; 5:45 pm; Hochstein Chapel; free

The winter concert of the HochStrings Adult Chamber Orchestra, directed by Pia Liptak, is all about the concerto – concertos for the orchestra as a group, concertos with soloist, and arrangements of famous concerto themes. The concert includes famous, beloved themes by Mozart and Mendelssohn, a meditative reflection by Khan, and concertos by Bach and Vivaldi. Featuring Sabrina Engin playing solo in Bach. The concert is free and open to the public.

### **Voices of Spring Recital**

Thursday, March 19, 2020; 6:30 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall; free

This free concert features young singers in Hochstein's choral program—including Hochstein Singers and Youth Singers, directed by Maryellen Giese, and a small ensemble of students selected for the upcoming American Choral Directors Association convention—along with soloists from the Hochstein's voice studios. The program includes selections by Henry Purcell, Cesar Franck, Carly Simon, and Hoagy Carmichael, as well as a choral arrangement of the Appalachian folk song "Wayfarin' Stranger" and "Light in the Hallway" by Pentatonix.

### **Spotlight on Faculty – Then and Now: What We Hear at Hochstein**

Friday, March 20, 2020; 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.

This concert features diverse styles of chamber music pieces by four composers. The program includes the classical/jazz musician Claude Bolling's swinging and playful Jazz Suites, Jewish klezmer music introduced in Shostakovich's Piano Trio No. 2 finale, Arvo Pärt's serene and solemn Mozart-Adagio for Piano Trio, and Alfred Schnittke's quirky and boisterous "Gogol Suite" for Two Pianos. Featuring Joanna Bassett, flute; Yi-Wen Chang, piano; Joseph Werner, piano; Richard Felice, percussion; Pia Liptak, violin; Kathleen Murphy Kemp, cello; and Michael Griffin, bass. Part of Hochstein's Centennial Celebration!

### **Finger Lakes Concert Band: "Postcards from America"**

Sunday, March 22, 2020; 3:00 pm; Fort Hill Performing Arts Center, 20 Fort Hill Avenue, Canandaigua, NY. Tickets are \$15 Orchestra level, \$20 Mezzanine, free for students 18 and 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 journey from the East Coast into the heartland of America. The program includes "Niagara Overture" by Richard Fote, in honor of the Lockport High School Band; Rossano Galante's "Red Rock Mountain," a musical portrait of a beautiful mountain landscape in Pennsylvania; Mayhew Lake's delightful "The Roosters Lay Eggs in Kansas," subtitled "Sousa's Favorite Encore;" "River Town Jubilee" by Steve Danyew, celebrating a riverfront community in Arkansas; and arrangements of the folk songs "Arkansas Traveler" and "Shenandoah."

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