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### **Hochstein Announces Fall 2021 *Live from Hochstein* Free Noontime Concerts and Live Radio Broadcasts**

*Nine-concert series features Hochstein students, faculty members, and RPO musicians*

ROCHESTER, N.Y.— The Hochstein School’s **free** noontime ***Live from Hochstein*** concert series returns in person this fall with a concert by the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra on **Wednesday, October 13** from 12:10–12:50 pm in the Hochstein Performance Hall, and continues weekly through **Wednesday, December 8**. **See below for calendar listings for the full series.**

**Proof of vaccination is required for audience members** (children age 11 and under must be accompanied by a vaccinated adult). **All patrons will be required to wear masks.** See the full safety protocols at <https://hochstein.org/Calendar/Live-from-Hochstein>.

Hosted by WXXI Classical’s **Mona Seghatoleslami** and broadcast live on WXXI Classical, *Live from Hochstein* gives downtown business people, teachers, families, students, and friends an opportunity to enjoy classical music by outstanding musicians, including soloists, duets, and small ensembles. *Live from Hochstein* is the longest-running live broadcast concert series in Western New York. Listen to the concert at WXXI-FM 91.5, WXXY 90.3, or online at <https://www.classical915.org/>.

Sidney and Barbara Sobel have generously provided continuous underwriting of the *Live from Hochstein* Broadcast & Concert Series since 1993. *Live from Hochstein* is also made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature.

**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

### **For all concerts:**

The Hochstein School's noontime Live from Hochstein concert series will be hosted by WXXI Classical's Mona Seghatoleslami and broadcast live on WXXI Classical. Listen to the concert at WXXI-FM 91.5, WXXY 90.3, or online at <https://www.classical915.org/>.

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### ***Live from Hochstein – Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra: 19th Century Opera Favorites***

**Wednesday, October 13, 2021**

12:10–12:50 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 N. Plymouth Ave., Rochester NY 14614; free \*

The Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra with Andreas Delfs, music director and conductor, performs a program featuring orchestral selections and audience favorites from some beloved operas, including Glinka's *Ruslan and Ludmila*, Wagner's *Götterdämmerung*, Saint-Saëns' *Samson and Delilah*, and Humperdinck's *Hansel and Gretel*.

### ***Live from Hochstein – Jacob Ertl: The Pianist Speaks***

**Wednesday, October 20, 2021**

12:10–12:50 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 N. Plymouth Ave., Rochester NY 14614; free \*

Pianist Jacob Ertl's solo recital explores music that communicates compelling and provocative themes steeped in social justice, equality, and the journey of life through choice and consequence. The program includes works by Liszt, Schubert, Missy Mazzoli, and Radiohead. Ertl has performed extensively in the United States and throughout Canada, China, France, Israel, Mexico, Panama, Serbia, and Spain. A sought-after performer, teacher, and adjudicator, Ertl currently teaches at the Nazareth College School of Music.

### ***Live from Hochstein – RPO Marimba Band***

**Wednesday, October 27, 2021**

12:10–12:50 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 N. Plymouth Ave., Rochester NY 14614; free \*

Described as "one of the Rochester area's unique and notable treasures" (SUNY Brockport's *The Stylus*), the RPO Marimba Band was established in 1979 and is comprised of members of the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra's current percussion section. The RPO Marimba Band performs their own arrangements of Latin, pop, and jazz tunes on a wide array of melodic percussion instruments. The musicians include Andrew Bockman, Anthony Calabrese, Tom Nanni, Kyle Peters, Kristen Shiner McGuire, and Brian Stotz.

### ***Live from Hochstein – Rosa Boemia plays Brazilian Choro***

**Wednesday, November 3, 2021**

12:10–12:50 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 N. Plymouth Ave., Rochester NY 14614; free \*

The trio Rosa Boemia presents a program of Brazilian choro music that features works by composers such as Pixinguinha, Jacob do Bandolim, and Waldyr Azevedo, among others. Rosa Boemia features Ken Luk on bandolim (a Brazilian mandolin), Bernardo Marcondes Rodrigues on guitar, and Darien Lamien on pandeiro (a Brazilian hand drum). Choro (pronounced SHOH-roh) is an instrumental Brazilian popular music genre that originated in Rio de Janeiro in the late 19th century. Many choro tunes are fast-paced, joyous, and virtuosic.

### ***Live from Hochstein – The Browning-Krug Duo***

**Wednesday, November 10, 2021**

12:10–12:50 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 N. Plymouth Ave., Rochester NY 14614; free \*

Recently engaged RPO musicians Grace Browning (harp) and Benjamin Krug (cello) return to the beautiful Hochstein stage for their debut performance together on the radio waves. When the pandemic began, Browning and Krug began making music in their living room, playing concerts over Zoom, in backyards, and at vaccination centers. Missing the sounds of their beloved orchestra, they began transcribing everything they could get their hands on – from opera scores to music by Billy Joel and everything in between – and discovered a new world of musical possibilities.

### ***Live from Hochstein – Ekstasis Duo: From the Shadows***

**Wednesday, November 17, 2021**

12:10–12:50 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 N. Plymouth Ave., Rochester NY 14614; free \*

The new program by the Ekstasis Duo – featuring Natasha Farny, cello, and Eliran Avni, piano – features luscious Romantic Viennese music from a student/teacher pairing, Alexander Zemlinsky and Alma Mahler; a dynamic sonata movement by George Walker (the first African American composer to win a Pulitzer); a charming nocturne by Lili Boulanger (the first woman to win the Rome Prize); and a blockbuster sonata by Dutch composer Henriette Bosmans. These compositions fell into obscurity, but since they are grand slam works, they may soon become your favorites.

### ***Live from Hochstein – 2021 David Hochstein Recital Competition Winners Recital (pre-recorded)***

**Wednesday, November 24, 2021; 12:10–12:50 pm – no live concert this week**

The winners of the 2021 David Hochstein Recital Competition are Katherine Huang, flute; Luke Pisani, violin; and Margaret Bauman, piano. This performance was recorded in concert in Hochstein Performance Hall on May 28, 2021. Since 1991, The Hochstein School has commemorated the life of David Hochstein – Rochester native and gifted violinist and composer – with a yearly competition open to advanced students in grades 10-12 in the nine-county region surrounding Rochester.

### ***Live from Hochstein – Eastman Horn Choir: A Cornucopia of Holiday Delights***

**Wednesday, December 1, 2021**

12:10–12:50 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 N. Plymouth Ave., Rochester NY 14614; free \*

Heralding the holidays with the Eastman Horn Choir – W. Peter Kurau, director – featuring hornists from the Eastman School of Music.

### ***Live from Hochstein – Madrigalia: A Cup of Good Cheer***

**Wednesday, December 8, 2021**

12:10–12:50 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 N. Plymouth Ave., Rochester NY 14614; free \*

Our annual celebration of the holiday season with the choral chamber ensemble Madrigalia; Cary Ratcliff, artistic director. Madrigalia's expansive interpretation of the December holidays includes celebrations both sparkling and thoughtful, meditations on Christmas, Hanukkah, winter, and words of hope.

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