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Hochstein Offers Something for Everyone in 2023-24 School Year Featuring a full range of music and dance classes for learners of all ages and abilities

ROCHESTER, N.Y.— **The Hochstein School** knows firsthand the transformational effects of the arts on a student's emotional, physical, and mental well-being and offers a full range of music and dance classes for learners of all ages and abilities. Taught by our accomplished faculty of professional artists and educators, **classes begin on Wednesday, September 6, 2023**.

The Hochstein website (<u>www.hochstein.org</u>) has a list of all the classes, conveniently organized by category. New for the fall are:

- **Hochstein Creativity Lab**, offering lessons, short-run workshops, and free pop-ups focusing on fundamentals like music theory, the basics of drawing, or the essential elements of improvisation in a space with 8 iMac workstations;
- **Irish Traditional Music 101**, introducing the fundamental structures and rhythms of Irish music through instruction on the tin whistle, combined with the history and background of the music as a living and social art form;
- The return of the popular **Harmonica Horizon!** class for beginning musicians ages 10 to adult to learn to play the harmonica;
- **Intermediate Modern Dance**, the next step in our sequential modern dance classes for students age 13 and up; and
- Move It and Latin Social Dance, two fun new classes for beginning adult dancers.

Hochstein's ongoing offerings include:

- Individual instrument and voice lessons as well as music theory classes;
- Music FUNdamentals classes for children ages 6 months to 5 years;
- Suzuki Strings, Suzuki Harp, and Suzuki Flute based on the philosophy that any child can learn to play an instrument, using the "mother-tongue" approach;
- Orchestral ensemble performance opportunities for students in grades 1-12;
- Choral, wind instrument, and chamber music ensembles;
- Jazz combos and rock bands;
- Group classes in guitar, ukulele, bagpipes, and voice;

- Sequential dance instruction in ballet for ages 3 to adult, as well as classes in tap, hip hop,
 African, Flamenco, jazz dance, and modern dance;
- Music, art, and dance therapy through the Expressive Arts program.

Adult learners can choose from a variety of classes, including:

- Ensemble performance opportunities with HochStrings Adult Chamber Orchestra, cello choir, guitar ensembles, jazz combos, and rock bands;
- Dance classes including ballet, tap, modern, and Flamenco.

Interested students can register through the Hochstein website at www.hochstein.org or by calling 585.454.4596. Tuition assistance is available for all programs of study to those who qualify, based on household income. For more information, call 585.454.4596.

High-resolution photographs of Hochstein students – in music, dance, ensembles, and expressive arts – along with the Hochstein logo are available in the press room on the Hochstein web site at: https://hochstein.org/About/News-Social-Media/The-Hochstein-School-Press-Kit.

Press kit photos are also available in this Google Drive folder:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1w56BySKqP5EAOW QC0strzzRUryIxNZk?usp=sharing. Additional photos available upon request.





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About Hochstein: The Hochstein School is a vibrant organization in Rochester, NY, offering high-quality instruction in music, dance, and Expressive Arts (music, art, and dance therapy). Established in 1920 to commemorate the artistry, life, and service of David Hochstein – a prodigious violinist who died serving in World War I – the School welcomes students of all ages, abilities, proficiency levels, ethnicities, and socio-economic backgrounds in an inclusive and accessible environment that provides artistic opportunities for all. More than 100 years after its founding, Hochstein annually serves more than 3,000 students from a 12-county region surrounding Rochester. The School is active throughout the community and provides tuition assistance to more than 50% of its students. The acclaimed Hochstein Performance Hall, located within the school's historic downtown building, hosts concerts and events throughout the year. For more information, visit www.hochstein.org.