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On November 12, Hochstein Youth Symphony Orchestra Performs Fall Concert Featuring Music of Mozart, Wagner, Dvořák, Copland, and Madden

Also, Voices of Autumn concert on November 2 features Hochstein voice students

ROCHESTER, N.Y.—On **Sunday, November 12, at 3:00 pm**, the **Hochstein Youth Symphony Orchestra (HYSO)**, directed by Casey Springstead, performs its fall concert. The program includes Mozart's Overture to *The Magic Flute*; Wagner's Prelude to Act I of *Die Meistersingers*; Dvořák's Symphony No. 8 (mvmts. 3 and 4); and Copland's "Buckaroo Holiday" from *Rodeo*. (*See concert details in the calendar listings below, along with information on the* **November 2 Voices of** *Autumn concert featuring Hochstein Youth Singers, Hochstein Singers, and other voice students.*)

A special highlight of the concert will be an orchestral arrangement of **Peace I Leave With You**, written by HYSO alumni Jonathan Thomas Madden in memory of his Fairport High School classmate Hannah Metzler, who died of a brain tumor in 2014. Madden says, "This piece is written in Hannah's memory and honor, for her family, her friends, and for anyone who desires a space for meditation, reflection, comfort, and peace."

The 75-member **HYSO** is a full orchestra for advanced strings, brass, woodwinds, and percussion students in grades 7–12 from the greater Rochester region. Directed by Casey Springstead, the HYSO presents three concerts per year along with periodic international tours including the spring 2016 tour to Austria and Germany. In 2018, the HYSO will tour Portugal and Spain.

Composer **Jonathan Thomas Madden** is the former principal cellist and conductor apprentice for the Hochstein Youth Symphony Orchestra. He has won awards as a solo pianist and composer. He is currently pursuing a B.M. in Composition at St. Olaf College in Minnesota, where his pieces have been performed by various ensembles at the school. Madden also frequently serves as music director for theatrical productions in the St. Olaf theater department as well as in the Rochester area.

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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 <u>www.hochstein.org</u>.

CALENDAR LISTINGS

Voices of Autumn

Thursday, November 2; 6:30 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 North Plymouth Ave., Rochester 14614; the concert is free and open to the public.

Voices of Autumn features Hochstein Youth Singers and Hochstein Singers, directed by Maryellen Giese, along with soloists from the Hochstein's voice studios. The program includes the South African hymn "Siyahamba;" the Eurovision Song Contest winner "The Voice," by Irish songwriter Brendan Graham; Bach's "Prepare Thyself Zion;" the humorous "Concert Etiquette Rap;" and the African-American gospel song "The Storm is Passing Over" by Charles Tindley.

Hochstein Youth Symphony Orchestra: Fall Concert

Sunday, November 12; 3:00 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 North Plymouth Ave., Rochester 14614; tickets at the door: \$5 general admission

The fall concert by the 75-member Hochstein Youth Symphony Orchestra, directed by Casey Springstead, includes Mozart's Overture to *The Magic Flute*; Wagner's Prelude to Act I, *Die Meistersingers*; Dvořák's Symphony No. 8 (mvmts. 3 and 4); Copland's "Buckaroo Holiday" from *Rodeo*; and an orchestral arrangement of *Peace I Leave With You*, written by HYSO alumni Jonathan Thomas Madden in memory of his Fairport High School classmate Hannah Metzler.

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