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Hochstein's Annual Musical Mystery Tour Features Scavenger Hunt, Instrument Petting Zoo, Music & Dance Activities, Drum Circle, and More Family-friendly winter open house on Sunday, January 20, 2019, 2:00–4:00 pm

ROCHESTER, N.Y.— The Hochstein School's annual **Musical Mystery Tour** on Sunday, January 20, 2019, 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.

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.

See below for a calendar listing for this and other upcoming Hochstein events.

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.

CALENDAR LISTINGS

Musical Mystery Tour

Sunday, January 20, 2019; 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.

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Spotlight on Faculty – All-in-One

Friday, January 25, 2019; 7:00 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 North Plymouth Avenue, Rochester NY 14614; admission at the door is \$10 per person, with a \$20 family maximum; a "meet the artists" reception follows the concert.

During the 19th century, piano transcriptions became an important way to bring large-scale works to the general public. In this concert, we will hear transcriptions of symphony, opera, concerto, and an orchestral work all performed on a single piano by Hochstein faculty member Yi-Wen Chang. Selections include Tchaikovsky's Polonaise from *Eugene Onegin*, Beethoven's Symphony No. 1, Romance from Chopin's Piano Concerto No. 1, and Ravel's *La Valse*.

Barnes & Noble Bookfair

Sunday, January 27, 2019; 1:00-5:00 pm; Barnes & Noble, Pittsford Plaza, 3349 Monroe Ave, Rochester, NY 14618.

Support The Hochstein School by making purchases at Barnes & Noble in Pittsford Plaza. Drop by from 1:00 to 5:00 pm when Hochstein musicians will be performing. A percentage of the net sale, on this day, will be contributed to Hochstein.

Hochstein Winter Dance Gala

Friday, February 1, 2019; 7:30-9:00 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 North Plymouth Avenue, Rochester NY 14614; free

Students take the stage in this free performance celebrating Hochstein's unique and diverse dance department, which includes ballet, tap, modern, and Latin dance. At Hochstein, the emphasis is on the educational experience and the joy of dance, led by teachers specifically trained to work with children.

HYSO & Philharmonia in Concert

Sunday, February 3, 2019; 2:00 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall, 50 North Plymouth Avenue, Rochester NY 14614; tickets at the door: \$5 general admission

Musicians from the 75-member Hochstein Youth Symphony Orchestra, directed by Casey Springstead, and Philharmonia, directed by John Fetter, perform a joint concert.