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RHODE ISLAND PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA CLASSICAL CONCERT

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19 8pm VIVA ITALIA!

MUSIC DIRECTOR **LARRY RACHLEFF**; ALL ORCHESTRAL CONCERT

HEAR THE WORLD IN PROVIDENCE! ROME

MUSIC OF ROSSINI, MENDELSSOHN, DALLAPICCOLA & RESPIGHI

RESIDENT CONDUCTOR FRANCISCO NOYA PRESENTS PRE-CONCERT TALK AT 7pm

CONCERT ENDOWED BY MR. & MRS. CHARLES A. COLLIS

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November 10, 2011 – East Providence, RI - The Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra presents a Classical concert on **Saturday November 19** at 8pm at **The Vets**, 1 Avenue of the Arts, **Providence**. Music Director **LARRY RACHLEFF** leads the Philharmonic in an **ALL-ORCHESTRAL** visit to Rome as they perform **Rossini's Overture to *La gazza ladra***, **Mendelssohn's Symphony No. 4 in A major, op.90 (Italian)**, **Dallapiccola's *Piccola musica notturno*** and **Respighi's towering *Pines of Rome***. Resident Conductor **FRANCISCO NOYA** presents an informal talk about the concert program in the auditorium before the concert from 7:00-7:25. This concert is endowed by Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Collis in memory of their son, Andrew. **WPRO News Talk 630** is the media sponsor for the season.

TICKETS FOR ALL PHILHARMONIC CLASSICAL CONCERTS may be purchased 24/7 on the Philharmonic website: riphil.org using MasterCard, Visa, American Express or Discover; vmari.org and arttixri.com. Tickets may also be purchased at the Philharmonic Box Office at 667 Waterman Avenue, East Providence until Friday November 18 at 4pm, either by phone (401.248.7000) using MasterCard, Visa, American Express or Discover or in person during regular box office hours, Mon.-Fri. 9am-4:30pm. Tickets are available at the PPAC Box Office, 220 Weybosset Street, Providence, either by phone (401.421.2787) or in person during regular box office hours, Mon-Fri 10am-5pm.

On Saturday November 19, the day of the concert, tickets are available onsite at the VMA Box Office, in person or by calling 401.421.2787 from 12noon until 8:30pm. Ticket prices for the Opening Night concert range from \$30 to \$70 for adults with discounts in selected areas of the hall for full time students and groups of 10 or more. At 7:30pm if there are tickets remaining, a full time student presenting a valid student ID may buy one ticket for \$12. There is free parking for all Philharmonic Classical concerts at designated lots along Smith Street with limited ADA parking just past Avenue of the Arts on Park Street. The Philharmonic provides a free shuttle bus to and from the parking lots before and after the concerts.

Mini-subscriptions for 6, 5 and 4 classical concerts, are available through the Philharmonic box office.

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DATE: Saturday, November 19, 2011 8pm
PLACE: The Vets, Providence

PROGRAM: ROSSINI Overture to *La gazza ladra*
 MENDELSSOHN Symphony No. 4 (Italian)
 DALLAPICCOLA *Piccola musica notturna*
 RESPIGHI *Pines of Rome*

CONDUCTOR: Larry Rachleff, Music Director

CONCERT SPONSOR: Concert endowed by Mr. & Mrs. Charles A. Collis

MEDIA SPONSOR: WPRO News Talk 630

TICKETS: \$30 to \$70, with discounts for Students and Groups in selected sections

To buy tickets by phone or in person:

Philharmonic box office: 401.248.7000 (9-4:30 M-F)

The Vets box office: 401.421.2787 (10-5 M-F)

To buy tickets online 24/7:

Philharmonic website: riphil.org

The Vets website: vmari.com

ArtTixRI.com

For tickets, subscriptions, more information or to request or download a season brochure, visit the Philharmonic website: riphil.org or call the Box Office @401.248.7000.

PREVIEW OF COMING CLASSICAL CONCERTS

- **MESSIAH:** On Saturday evening, December 10 at 7pm the Philharmonic, conducted by the Providence Singers Artistic Director **BETSY BURLEIGH**, and the **Providence Singers** present the traditional holiday performance of **Handel's Messiah**. Soloists for this performance are **Soprano DEBORAH SELIG**, **Countertenor ANDREY NEMZER**, **Tenor ZACHARY WILDER** and **Bass-Baritone CRAIG VERM**.
- **ICY-HOT ROMANTICS:** On Saturday evening, January 28 at 8pm Music Director **LARRY RACHLEFF** and the Orchestra are joined by Pianist **ALON GOLDSTEIN** in a performance of **Grieg's Piano Concerto in A minor**. The program includes **Bartok's Dance Suite** and **Dvorak's Symphony No. 8 in G major.**, music from northern and eastern Europe.
- **AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL:** Music Director **LARRY RACHLEFF** leads the Orchestra on Saturday evening, February 25 at 8pm in a salute to New York City. Violinist **ALEXANDER KERR** joins the Orchestra in a performance of **Bernstein's Serenade** and a **WORLD-PREMIERE** of **James Stephenson's Fantasie for Violin**. The concert includes **Copland's Appalachian Spring: Suite** and **Gershwin's American in Paris**.
- **WHO'S BETTER THAN BEETHOVEN?:** Saturday evening, March 24 at 8pm Music Director **LARRY RACHLEFF** and the Orchestra are joined by Violinist **AUGUSTIN HADELICH** in a performance of **Beethoven's Violin Concerto**. The **All-Beethoven program** includes his **Symphony No. 3 (Eroica)**.
- **FROM RUSSIA WITH ALBAN :** On Saturday evening April 14, at 8pm Music Director **LARRY RACHLEFF** and the Philharmonic welcome Cellist **ALBAN GERHARDT** for a performance of the **Tchaikovsky Variations on a Rocco Theme**. This trip to Leningrad program includes **Stravinsky's Fireworks** and **Shostakovich's Symphony No. 7 (Leningrad)**.
- **SEASON FINALE – A SPIRITUAL MASTERPIECE:** Music Director **LARRY RACHLEFF** conducts the **Classical Series Season Finale** on Saturday, May 5 at 8pm as the Orchestra is joined by Soprano **ELIZABETH WEIGLE**, Baritone **RANDALL SCARLATA** and the **PROVIDENCE SINGERS** in a performance of **Brahms' A German Requiem**. Members of the **Philharmonic Brass** open the concert with a performance of **Gabriel's Sacred Symphony**.

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