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Larry Rachleff Music Director



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"Nothing prepared me for Rachleff's performances. . . **Larry Rachleff** is a **great conductor**. . . His control of dynamics was **astonishing**. . . Note to CSO: Get this guy back, pronto!"

- Christopher Purdy, *music critic*
Columbus Symphony Reviewer



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SUBSCRIBE to the 2011/2012 Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra Season

CLASSICAL 8 Saturdays, 8pm *(see page 4)*

Hear the World in Providence!

No need to fly to exotic destinations when the music of Paris, Rome, Moscow and even the Big Apple is here in your own backyard – a **dazzling 8-concert Saturday night Classical Series** performed by the **most outstanding regional orchestra** in the country. Delight in the music of our **magnificent Orchestra** with world-renowned guest soloists, conducted by our charismatic Music Director **Larry Rachleff**.

RUSH HOUR 4 Fridays, 6:30pm *(see page 7)*

Short, Engaging, Casual, Classical. . . Enjoy a quick shot of Classical Music, Philharmonic-style – 4 times a season. **Relax.** . . wind down from a busy week. **Share.** . . an easy and inexpensive way to share your love of classical music with friends and family. **Enjoy!** Every note they play, every word they say. It's easy to fit these 4 concerts into your busy life. . . *Questions about the concert? Stay for the Q+A and ask Larry yourself.*

OPEN REHEARSALS 4 Fridays, 5:30pm *(see page 8)*

Ever wonder why the Orchestra sounds so great? Stop. . . by the hall and check out the Friday Open Rehearsals as Larry and the Orchestra put the finishing touches on the upcoming Saturday night Classical concert. **Look.** . . "behind the scenes" to see how the magic happens. **Listen.** . . as the conductor collaborates with the Orchestra and guest soloist. *Sit wherever you want. Stay as long as you want.*

GALA, HOLIDAY, POPS! *(see page 9)*

Hear the Music you Love performed by the Orchestra you Love with Guests you'll Love!

An Evening with **Renée Fleming** & the **Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra!**

Messiah! - Our magnificent December tradition with the marvelous **Providence Singers**.

Jazz Trumpeter **Chris Botti** & **Francisco Noya** in a **POPS PHIL PPAC** concert!

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CLASSICAL SERIES *Hear the World in Providence!*

"There were towering climaxes and driving rhythms as the work headed for its **glorious** finale, a soaring chorale. It was obvious that this was a terribly taxing score, but the orchestra roared through it, sounding **confident**, even **brilliant**." - Channing Gray, *music critic*, Providence Journal

SEPTEMBER 24 MOSCOW

Ilya and the Titan

Larry Rachleff, conductor

Ilya Yakushev, piano

TCHAIKOVSKY Piano Concerto No. 1

in B-flat minor, op.23

MAHLER Symphony No. 1

in D major (Titan)

OCTOBER 15 PARIS

A Stern Re-encounter

Michael Stern, conductor

Joyce Yang, piano

BERLIOZ *Benvenuto Cellini*: Overture

RAVEL Piano Concerto in G major

BERLIOZ *Symphonie fantastique*, op.14

NOVEMBER 19 ROME

Viva Italia!

Larry Rachleff, conductor

All-Orchestral

ROSSINI *La gazza ladra*: Overture

MENDELSSOHN Symphony No. 4

in A major, op.90 (Italian)

DALLAPICCOLA *Piccola*

musica notturna

RESPIGHI *Pines of Rome*

Endowed by Mr. & Mrs. Charles A. Collis

JANUARY 28 OSLO+

Icy-Hot Romantics

Larry Rachleff, conductor

Alon Goldstein, piano

BARTÓK Dance Suite

GRIEG Piano Concerto

in A minor, op.16

DVOŘÁK Symphony No. 8

in G major, op.88

Sponsored by the Carter Family Charitable Foundation

FEBRUARY 25 NEW YORK

America the Beautiful

Larry Rachleff, conductor

Alexander Kerr, violin

COPLAND *Appalachian Spring*: Suite

BERNSTEIN Serenade

(After Plato's "Symposium")

STEPHENSON *Fantasia for Violin*

(WORLD premiere)

GERSHWIN *An American in Paris*

MARCH 24 BONN

Who's Better than Beethoven?

Larry Rachleff, conductor

Augustin Hadelich, violin

BEETHOVEN Violin Concerto

in D major, op.61

BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 3

in E-flat major, op.55 (Eroica)

APRIL 14 LENINGRAD

From Russia with Alban

Larry Rachleff, conductor

Alban Gerhardt, cello

STRAVINSKY *Fireworks*, op.4

TCHAIKOVSKY Variations on a

Rococo Theme, op.33

SHOSTAKOVICH Symphony No. 7

in C major, op.60 (Leningrad)

MAY 5 HAMBURG

A Spiritual Masterpiece

Larry Rachleff, conductor

Elizabeth Weigle, soprano

Randall Scarlata, baritone

The Providence Singers

GABRIELI *Sacred Symphony*

for Brass

BRAHMS A German Requiem,

op. 45

Sponsored by the Sinclair Family Foundation



Alon Goldstein



Elizabeth Weigle



Michael Stern



Joyce Yang



Larry Rachleff



Ilya Yakushev



Alban Gerhardt



Alexander Kerr



Augustin Hadelich

All Classical concerts take place at The Vets, Providence on Saturday evenings at 8pm. ALL PROGRAMS AND ARTISTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.



"...music director **Larry Rachleff**, a **superb conductor** with seasoned leadership skills,...evident throughout Sunday's performances."

- John von Rhein, *Classical music critic*, Chicago Tribune

Amica RUSH HOUR SERIES

AUTO HOME LIFE

Amica & the Philharmonic - we've got your rush hour covered!

So many music lovers join us for these early Friday evening concerts.

Why don't YOU come, too!

Casual, Classical, Engaging, Short. . . It's easy to fit these 4 concerts into your busy life. . . Questions about the concert? Stay for the Q+A and ask Larry yourself.

Larry Rachleff's warmth, passion, humor and knowledge shine through as he discusses the composers and their music.

Enjoy a quick shot of Classical Music, Philharmonic-style – 4 times a season!

All Rush Hour concerts are conducted by **Larry Rachleff** & hosted by Channel 10's **Patrice Wood**.

SEPTEMBER 23

Ilya Yakushev, piano
(Movements from)
TCHAIKOVSKY Piano Concerto
MAHLER Symphony No. 1

NOVEMBER 18

All-Orchestral
ROSSINI *La gazza ladra*
(Movements from)
MENDELSSOHN Italian Symphony
RESPIGHI *Pines of Rome*


FEBRUARY 24

Alexander Kerr, violin
Side-by-side with Members of the
Rhode Island Philharmonic Youth Orchestra
(Movements from)
COPLAND *Appalachian Spring*: Suite
BERNSTEIN Serenade
GERSHWIN *An American in Paris*

MARCH 23

Augustine Hadelich, violin
(Movements from)
BEETHOVEN Violin Concerto
BEETHOVEN Eroica Symphony

NEW! If you would like to submit a question to be answered from the stage at a Rush Hour concert, please send to rushquestions@riphil.org two weeks before the concert.

MEDIA SPONSOR FOR THE RUSH HOUR SERIES: 

All **Rush Hour** concerts take place at The Vets, Providence on select early **Friday evenings** at 6:30pm.
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For tickets call 401.248.7000 or visit riphil.org

OPEN REHEARSALS

Did you ever wonder why our Orchestra sounds so terrific?

STOP... by The Vets on select Friday afternoons and check out the Open Rehearsals as the conductor and the Orchestra add the finishing touches to the upcoming Saturday night Classical concerts.

LOOK... behind the scenes to watch the magic happen.

LISTEN... as the Conductor collaborates with the Orchestra and Guest Soloist.

Come in when you want, sit where you want, leave when you want!

LOW PRICES!

Adults **\$12** Students **\$7** (Includes \$2 VMA fee.)

October 14th Open Rehearsal is FREE of charge!

OCTOBER 14

Michael Stern, *conductor*

Joyce Yang, *piano*

BERLIOZ *Benvenuto Cellini: Overture*

RAVEL Piano Concerto in G major

BERLIOZ *Symphonie fantastique*

JANUARY 27

Larry Rachleff, *conductor*

Alon Goldstein, *piano*

BARTÓK Dance Suite

GRIEG Piano Concerto in A minor

DVOŘÁK Symphony No. 8 in G major

APRIL 13

Larry Rachleff, *conductor*

Alban Gerhardt, *cello*

STRAVINSKY Fireworks

TCHAIKOVSKY Variations on a Rococo Theme

SHOSTAKOVICH Symphony No. 7 (Leningrad)

MAY 4

Larry Rachleff, *conductor*

Elizabeth Weigle, *soprano*

Randall Scarlata, *baritone*

The Providence Singers

GABRIELI Sacred Symphony for Brass

BRAHMS A German Requiem

Card-carrying Philharmonic Music School students & one companion may attend all Open Rehearsals at no charge.

Open Rehearsals take place at **The Vets**, Providence on select Friday evenings at 5:30pm.

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MORE, MORE, MORE! *Gala, Holiday, Pops!*

The Orchestra you love joined by Artists you Love for Concerts you'll Love!



RENÉE!!!

What more can we say?? Actually, quite a bit! The world's most spectacular soprano, the "People's Diva," **Renée Fleming** joins Music Director **Larry Rachleff** & the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra in a Gala Concert celebrating the rededication of The Vets, **Saturday, January 21, 2012 at 7:30pm.**

A three-time Grammy winner, Ms. Fleming captivates audiences with her sumptuous voice, consummate artistry and compelling stage presence. Please visit reeneffleming.com for more information.

TICKETS (\$250, \$150, \$100, \$75, \$50)

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Tickets for this concert are NOT available at the Philharmonic Box Office.

THE VETS



WONDERFUL! MARVELOUS! THE HOLIDAY TRADITION CONTINUES!

December 10, 7pm, The Vets, Handel's glorious *Messiah!*

The Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra is joined once again by the **Providence Singers** for a performance of one of the most magnificent works in the choral literature: Handel's *Messiah*.

TICKETS (\$30 - \$100)

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JAZZ TRUMPETER CHRIS BOTTI

March 31, 7:30pm, Francisco Noya, *conductor*

Since the release of his CD *When I Fall In Love*, **Chris Botti** has become the largest selling American jazz instrumentalist with four **#1 Jazz Albums** and multiple **Gold, Platinum & Grammy Awards**. Chris and his band have performed with many of the finest symphonies and at the World Series and Nobel Peace Prize Ceremony.



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