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Albany Symphony Presents the Great Artists of Tomorrow, Today

(ALBANY, NY) - On December 17th, 18th, and 19th, the Albany Symphony Orchestra will be performing across the greater Capital Region with the great artists of the next generation. Six students from New York's famous Juilliard School will join the ASO as the centerpiece of its December concert, featuring three brand new "pocket" concertos written by Juilliard composition students and played by Juilliard student virtuosi. This is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to experience first-hand the remarkable gifted and supremely talented students of the famous Juilliard School, and a chance to be there when a group of "new stars" are born.

Juilliard cellist Dane Johansen will premiere Michael Ippolito's *Vivaldi's Bicycle: Concerto for Cello and Baroque Orchestra*. Clarinetist Moran Katz will perform composer Gity Razaz's *Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra*, while composer Evan Fein's composition, *The Frustration of Gottfried Reiche*, will feature trumpet soloist Colin Sieg. These composer activities are funded in part through Meet the Composer's MetLife Creative Connections Program.

These pseudo-Baroque "pocket" concertos will be surrounded by a group of major masterpieces from the Baroque period, including J.S. Bach's magnificent Orchestral Suite No. 1 and a fabulous and wildly inventive symphony by his son, Carl Phillip Emmanuel Bach. Corelli's popular "Christmas" Concerto will round out the performance with a holiday twist.

Celebrate the Holidays with the Great Artists of Tomorrow

When & Where:

Thursday, December 17th, 7:30pm, Canfield Casino, Saratoga

Tickets: Palace Theatre Box Office, by calling (518) 465-4663, or by visiting PalaceAlbany.com;
\$30 General Admission

Friday, December 18th, 8:00pm, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall

Tickets: at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall Box Office, by calling (518) 273-0038 or by visiting tickets.troymusichall.org ; \$25-\$49, \$15 Students

Saturday, December 19th, 3:00pm, at the First Congregational Church of Stockbridge, Massachusetts

Tickets: by calling the ASO offices at (518) 465-4755; \$30 General Admission

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