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Arapahoe Philharmonic Presents Two Free Summer Performances

Littleton, CO – The Arapahoe Philharmonic will present two free concerts this summer:

The first is a chamber music recital to be held on **Saturday, June 16, 2018**, at 2:30 p.m. Members and friends of the Arapahoe Philharmonic will perform works by Brahms, Hsu and Dvořák.

Johannes Brahms: Horn Trio in E-flat, Op. 40

Shieko Uno, piano

Anthony Elias, violin

Teresa Harvey, French horn

Cindi Hsu: Spring Music for Cello and Piano

Cindi Hsu, piano

Jim Todd, cello

Antonín Dvořák: String Sextet in A, Op. 48

Anthony Elias, violin

Ellen Elias, violin

Heidi Snyder, viola

Mary Alyce Groman, viola

Shirley Marecak, cello

Mike Marecak, cello

The recital will be held at Columbine United Church, 6375 S. Platte Canyon Road, Littleton, CO 80123. Donations will be gratefully accepted.

The second performance will feature the full orchestra in a pops program for Alpine Bank's Salute to the USA Fireworks Celebration on **Tuesday, July 3, 2018**, in Avon, Colorado, starting at 7:45 p.m. Conductor Devin Patrick Hughes will conduct the ensemble in orchestral favorites by Leonard Bernstein, Aaron Copland, Morton Gould and John Williams.

The concert takes place in the Harry A. Nottingham Park Performance Pavilion, 1 Lake Street, Avon, CO 81620. The Dearly Band will kick off the celebration at 5:45 p.m., and the orchestra's performance will be followed by a spectacular fireworks display.

About the Arapahoe Philharmonic

Founded in 1953, the Arapahoe Philharmonic is among the longest established, continuously operating musical resources in Colorado. The organization is dedicated to engaging, enriching and inspiring our community through musical performance, education and outreach. The orchestra's musicians are primarily volunteers playing for the love of music, with a core of compensated section principals who provide technical leadership and support the excellence of performance.

Concerts feature repertoire spanning the centuries, from the great masters to composers of the current day. The Philharmonic is invested in future generations, presenting an annual children's concert, sponsoring outreach to schools, working with area student honor orchestras, sponsoring a Play-In for high school students to work side-by-side with experienced Arapahoe Philharmonic players, coaching the Civic Youth Orchestra in partnership with Avanti Music Academy in Highlands Ranch, and presenting three collegiate-level competitions, the T. Gordon Parks Concerto Competition and the Vincent C. LaGuardia, Jr. Conducting and Composition Competitions.

About the Music Director

Devin Patrick Hughes is highly regarded for his exhilarating score interpretations, advocacy for music accessibility and promotion of music of our time. He is concurrently serving as Music Director and Conductor of the Arapahoe Philharmonic and Boulder Symphony, and has established himself as a musical leader in the region through previous positions with the Santa Fe Youth Symphony Association, Denver Young Artists Orchestra, Denver Philharmonic Orchestra and Denver Contemporary Chamber Players. In 2010, Hughes was the only American selected with eleven other finalists in the Arturo Toscanini International Conducting Competition in Parma, Italy. He was recently selected from hundreds of his peers across the globe to compete in the 2017 Solti International Conducting Competition in Hungary. Hughes was a conducting fellow at the American Academy of Conducting at Aspen and has conducted ensembles across North America and Europe, including the Winnipeg Symphony, Colorado Symphony, Rochester Philharmonic, Green Bay Symphony and Filarmonica Arturo Toscanini. More information may be found at www.devinpatrickhughes.com.

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