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Old Friends & New: A Masterpiece Returns and New Voices Take the Stage **Saturday, March 28, 2026 at 7:30 PM**

The **Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra** presents *Old Friends & New* on Saturday, March 28, 2026 at 7:30 PM at the Plymouth South High School Performing Arts Center — an evening built around connection, collaboration, and music that bridges generations.

At the heart of the program is the monumental **Cello Concerto in B minor** by **Antonín Dvořák** — a work many consider the greatest cello concerto ever written. Every great cellist has recorded it. The last time *the Phil* performed it was in 2004, making this long-awaited reunion especially meaningful.

"We had planned to perform this much-loved *Cello Concerto* in March of 2020," said *Phil* conductor **Steven Karidoyanes**. "Unfortunately, the pandemic lockdown caused us to cancel that performance. We're excited and eager to finally present this magnificent music again!"

Returning to perform this towering masterpiece is acclaimed cellist **Allison Eldredge**, a beloved friend of the orchestra whose artistry and collaborative spirit have made her a favorite with audiences.

The evening opens with the largest orchestra of the season. Talented members of the **South Shore Conservatory Youth Orchestra** join *the Phil* musicians in a side-by-side performance of **Danse nègre** by **Samuel Coleridge-Taylor**, a vibrant curtain-raiser full of color, infectious dance rhythms and vitality. The SSC Youth Orchestra program is directed by **Elijah Langille**.

The program also introduces audiences to a compelling contemporary voice with *For a Beautiful Land*, a symphonic poem by **Linda Robbins Coleman**. If you love the expansive Americana sound of Aaron Copland's music, you'll be captivated by Robbins Coleman's bold and heartfelt interpretation of American musical landscapes.

"This program is truly about connection," said Executive Director Kara McEachern. "Music reunites old friends, introduces us to new ones, and reminds us that we belong to something larger than ourselves. Watching our professional musicians perform shoulder-to-shoulder with young artists from the South Shore Conservatory Youth Orchestra is a powerful reflection of our mission and our community. Evenings like this remind us that music brings people together in the most meaningful ways."

The concert takes place at:

Plymouth South High School Performing Arts Center

490 Long Pond Road, Plymouth, MA

Bonus Time:

A free pre-concert talk with Steven Karidoyanes begins at 6:30 PM at the venue.

Whether you are a longtime subscriber, returning patron, or first-time guest, *Old Friends & New* promises an evening of powerful artistry, joyful collaboration, and unforgettable music.

Tickets are \$35 and \$70. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit plymouthphil.org.

About the Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra

The Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra is a premier non-profit cultural institution in Massachusetts.

Dedicated to artistic excellence and community enrichment, the orchestra offers world-class performances, innovative outreach programs, and strong community partnerships. Now launching its 110th season, *the Phil's* mission is to inspire, engage, and entertain through the power of live music.

For more information, visit plymouthphil.org or call 508-746-8008.

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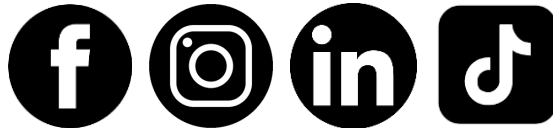
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