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### THE PLYMOUTH PHILHARMONIC PERFORMS CONCERT FOR AMERICA'S HOMETOWN THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

PLYMOUTH, MA —The **Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra** presents a special concert on **Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>** in partnership with **America's Hometown Thanksgiving Celebration**, a weekend of festivities preceding the Thanksgiving holiday.

The concert will be conducted by *the Phil's* long-time music director, Steven Karidoyanes. "We are thrilled to again perform in Memorial Hall the evening before the parade!" exclaims Karidoyanes. "And, just as we delivered last year, we have another gorgeous and festive program planned this time around."

The entire second half of the concert features acclaimed violinist **Grant Houston**. He joins *the Phil* in Mozart's stellar Violin Concerto No. 5 and Vittorio Monti's fiery showcase for solo violin and orchestra, *Czardas*.

Before intermission, however, the program is decidedly all-American. It includes Aaron Copland's kick-up-your-heels *Hoe Down* from *Rodeo*, his celebration of the American West; Samuel Barber's *Adagio for Strings*, so emotional that it rarely leaves a dry eye; Florence Price's tender meditation, *Adoration*; and Nancy Galbraith's lively and infectious, *Midnight Stirring*.

Rising star violinist **Grant Houston** connects with his audiences through performances known for their unbridled musical energy and unique communicative voice. He has performed in storied concert venues like Carnegie and Jordan halls to less traditional concert settings like airplane hangars, biology labs, and the Volkswagen Transparent Factory in Dresden, Germany. In addition to his solo and chamber music career, Grant Houston frequently appears with New York's Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, Boston's A Far Cry, and the Palaver Strings of Portland, Maine.

The concert will be held on **Friday, November 18th** at 7 PM in **Plymouth Memorial Hall**, located at 83 Court Street. Memorial Hall is fully accessible. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased online at [plymouthphil.org](http://plymouthphil.org) or by calling *the Phil* office at 508-746-8008.

This concert is presented in partnership with America's Hometown Thanksgiving Celebration and supported in part by the Town of Plymouth Promotions Fund, with additional support from 95.9 WATD-FM. The 107<sup>th</sup> season of the Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra is funded in part by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

For more information about the Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra, visit [plymouthphil.org](http://plymouthphil.org) or call 508-746-8008.

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**Next event of the Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra:**

***Holiday Pops!***

Steven Karidoyanes, conductor

Philip Lima, baritone

Plymouth Community Intermediate School 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus, Jessica Fuller, director

Saturday, December 10, 2022 at 3 PM

Saturday, December 10, 2022 at 7:30 PM

Sunday, December 11, 2022 at 3 PM

Plymouth Memorial Hall

There's no place like home for the holidays, so let's deck Memorial Hall and jingle all the way there! This year, we'll celebrate milestones with music: Handel's *Messiah*, Clement C. Moore's *A Visit from St. Nicholas*, and Tchaikovsky's *Nutcracker*. We'll also

switch things up with *A Mad Russian's Christmas*, the Trans-Siberian Orchestra's take on the classic holiday ballet, and a trip to Whoville for a tune about the Green Meanie himself—Mr. Grinch! Santa leads the “March of the Toys” community parade of giving to benefit the Children's Holiday Fund. Yes, we've pulled out all the stops for this holiday pops, so join us for this festive, fun, and not-so-silent night! Information and tickets at [plymouthphil.org](http://plymouthphil.org) or 508-746-8008.

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### **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 in its 107<sup>th</sup> season, *the Phil's* mission is to inspire, engage, and entertain through the power of live music.