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CSO presents Vivaldi's *Four Seasons*

COLUMBUS, GA, October 6, 2014 - The Columbus Symphony Orchestra (CSO) is pleased to present Vivaldi's *Four Seasons* on Tuesday, October 14, 2014 in Legacy Hall at RiverCenter for the Performing Arts.

This special Champagne and Dessert Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and features CSO violinist Boris Abramov. The concert will open with the orchestra performing Vivaldi's *Sinfonia for Strings in C Major* followed by an extended intermission for patrons to enjoy champagne and specialty desserts. The second portion of the concert will feature Vivaldi's *Four Seasons: La Primavera (Spring), L'Estate (Summer), L'Autunno (Autumn), and L'Inverno (Winter)*. Tickets are \$30 general admission and may be purchased at the RiverCenter Box Office, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. or one hour prior to the performance (enter doors located on Broadway side under covered drive to visit the box office.) For more information call the CSO office at 706.323.5059 or visit us online at www.csoga.org.

CSO Music Director and Conductor George Del Gobbo commented, "Antonio Vivaldi was, perhaps, the most famous Italian composer of the musical period called 'Baroque'. He wrote dozens of operas and an amazing amount of instrumental music, much of which is in the form of the concerto. The most famous of these is a collection of four concerti for violin and strings called 'The Four Seasons'. They describe in sound the various characteristics of each season such as birds singing, drunken goatherds, barking dogs, hunters, and children sliding on ice."

Del Gobbo is particularly excited about featuring violinist Boris Abramov stating "Boris is a young Israeli violinist of incredible talent. His playing is marked by a musicality and passion that set him apart. He currently is a resident of Columbus and works for both the Schwob School of Music and the Columbus Symphony Orchestra. This concert marks his debut as a soloist with the CSO."

This Champagne and Dessert Concert featuring Vivaldi's *Four Seasons* is presented by Steeplechase at Callaway Gardens, Boomer 95.3, 103.7Litefm, and News 1420WRCG.

The Columbus Symphony Orchestra, formed in 1855, is the second orchestra founded in the nation and the first founded in Georgia. The CSO, under the direction of George Del Gobbo, has long been considered one of the Southeast's premier musical ensembles. The CSO's performance venue at RiverCenter for the Performing Arts, Bill Heard Theatre, seats 2,000 patrons and provides a state-of-the-art visual and acoustic experience. The 2014-15 season includes four classical concerts, an annual family Christmas concert, a Valentine's Day country concert, and one Champagne and Dessert concert. For more information about the CSO visit our website at www.csoga.org.

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