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## ***CSO installs historic marker downtown***

COLUMBUS, GA, September 14, 2015 - The Columbus Symphony Orchestra (CSO) is pleased to announce the erecting of the CSO's historic marker on Monday, September 21, 2015. The ceremony will take place at 4:00 p.m. on the corner of Broadway and 10<sup>th</sup> Street, where the marker will be installed.

The historic marker captures the history of the Columbus Symphony orchestra dating back to 1855. Through cooperation with the Historic Chattahoochee Commission, the CSO designed and ordered a Historic Marker to celebrate and commemorate its history.

CSO's Music Director George Del Gobbo said, "For over one hundred and fifty years the city of Columbus has expressed a desire for fine orchestral music. This desire has manifested itself through the creation of, and continued support for, the Columbus Symphony Orchestra. The dedication of this historic marker represents the CSO's commitment both to celebrate the past and to cultivate a future for our orchestra with the same commitment and zeal that marked the efforts of our founders. We hope that you will join us for this happy occasion."

Guest will include Mayor Tomlinson, Bill Murphy from the Chamber of Commerce, Richard Bishop from Uptown Columbus, and Peter Bowden from the CCVB, Historic Columbus Foundation Leaders, Arts/Civic Leaders, Sponsors and members of the Media among others.

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 2015-16 season includes four classical concerts, two exciting family pops concerts, a Mozart Festival, and one Champagne and Dessert concert. For more information about the CSO visit our website at [www.csoga.org](http://www.csoga.org).

The CSO requests an RSVP from the press, please contact Samantha Eastman at 706.256.3645 or at [seastman@csoga.org](mailto:seastman@csoga.org).

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