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Acclaimed Violinist Visits Erie

Erie, PA; The Erie Philharmonic is proud to return to the Warner Theatre on Saturday, January 23 for a Russian-themed concert centered around Prokofiev's Suite from *Romeo & Juliet*. The Philharmonic musicians will be joined by Bulgarian violinist Bella Hristova to perform Shostakovich's Violin Concerto No. 1.

In addition to the concert, Hristova will present an intimate master class presentation with four local violinists on Thursday, January 21 at Walker Recital Hall at Mercyhurst University from 6-8pm. Performers include Isabella Amendola, Michael Held, Matthew Su, and Sadie Anderson. The class is free and open to the public.

Bella will also give a unique and free performance during a live broadcast at WQLN Studio on Friday, January 22 at noon. Get up-close-and-personal with Bella, Music Director Daniel Meyer, and Brian Hannah from WQLN. The broadcast will also be broadcasted live on 91.3FM. The performance is free and open to the public.

On Friday evening, the Philharmonic is delighted to host "Fridays with the Phil" from 6-8:30pm at the Warner Theatre. The evening includes free hors d'oeuvres from Summerhouse Café, cash bar, as well as the opportunity to try some of the instruments in the Philharmonic. Music Director Daniel Meyer and Bella Hristova also plan to attend and discuss Saturday's concert. At 7:30pm, guests will be given VIP access to the Philharmonic to watch rehearsal from 7:30pm-8:30pm. It's a one-night-only event – and there is no cost to attend!

The Erie Philharmonic presents "Romeo & Juliet" on Saturday, January 23 with guest violinist Bella Hristova. The concert starts at 8:00pm at the Warner Theatre. Tickets may be purchased in advance by calling 814/455-1375 or online at EriePhil.org. The Box Office will open at 7pm at the Warner Theatre the night of the concert.

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