

Open Door Concert Series at Ramapo College to Feature Works of Brahms

Mahwah, NJ -- The Open Door Concert Series at Ramapo College will present three concerts for the Spring 2015 season featuring the music of romantic composer Johannes Brahms.

The concerts, featuring soloists and varied chamber music ensembles, will take place in the York Room at the Birch Mansion on campus. Admission is free and open to the public. Doors open at 6:30 and seating is limited. Refreshments will be served following each performance.

The schedule is as follows:

- **Concert I – Saturday, February 28 at 7 p.m.**

Brahms' Summer of 1886 - Three of Brahms' great chamber music works: Cello Sonata in F Major Op. 99, Violin Sonata in A major Op. 100 and Piano Trio in C Minor Op. 101. Violinist Evelyn Estava and cellist Jeffrey Shah will join pianist and artistic director Itay Goren.

- **Concert II – Wednesday, April 1 at 7 p.m.**

American/Dutch violist Joel Lipton is arriving to the east coast to collaborate on a tour with the celebrated pianist and head of the piano department at William Paterson University, Gary Kirkpatrick. They will perform a beautiful program of Schubert's Arpeggione Sonata as well as Brahms' Sonata in Eb Major Op. 120 and the piano pieces Op. 119.

- **Concert III – Wednesday, April 29 at 7 p.m.**

The closing concert will feature a small chamber orchestra performing Mozart's Piano Concerto in D Minor with soloist Itay Goren, Brahms' Piano Quintet featuring the Madison String Quartet and Ravel's Introduction and Allegro for harp, winds and strings.