

LIVINGSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

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LIVINGSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA TO PRESENT GERSHWIN CONCERT ON MAY 20

For its season finale on Saturday, May 20, the Livingston Symphony Orchestra (LSO), under the baton of music director Istvan Jaray, will present “An Evening with George,” featuring several of the best-loved works of George Gershwin. The concert will be held at 8 p.m. at Livingston High School and will include *Strike up the Band*, selections from *Porgy and Bess*, *An American in Paris*, and *Rhapsody in Blue*, with pianist Richard Alston as soloist.

Alston, a native of East Orange, has enjoyed a distinguished academic and performance career. He is director of the Department of Music Dance and Drama at Essex County College, member of the faculty of Rutgers University, member of the Board of Music Advisors for the Westminster Choir College Education Opportunity Program and former member of the Music Advancement Program faculty of The Juilliard School. Alston has performed throughout the United States and Europe. His credits range from live opera and recitals to radio and television broadcasts and CD recordings.

Tickets for the “Evening with George” concert may be purchased at the door. Advance tickets are available from LSO co-president Punam Bhargava at Prudential New Jersey Properties in Livingston, (973) 992-6363 or from Gail Lowenstein Realtors, (973) 994-4323, also in Livingston.

Livingston High School is located at 30 Robert Harp Drive (off of South Livingston Avenue, between Northfield Road and Mount Pleasant Avenue) in Livingston. The venue is wheelchair accessible.

Those who would like additional information about LSO concerts may call (973) 635-8656.

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