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Warminster Symphony's 51st Season Opens with *eXotica* October 28

Special guest artist Kimberly Fisher, Principal Second Violin of The Philadelphia Orchestra, is featured in Rimsky-Korsakov's provocative "Scheherazade."

The Warminster Symphony Orchestra's first concert of its 51st season will take place on Saturday, October 28, 8 p.m., at William Tennent Auditorium, 333 Centennial Road, Warminster, Pa., 18974.

Entitled *eXotica*, the concert will feature special guest artist Kimberly Fisher, Principal Second Violin of The Philadelphia Orchestra, in Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov's musical masterpiece "Scheherazade." She will perform the violin solos that represent the sultana Scheherazade, and that unify the vivid stories portrayed in this symphonic suite. These stories, as told in the classic "1001 Arabian Nights," inspired Rimsky-Korsakov to compose this masterwork.

Continuing with the *eXotica* theme, the orchestra will also perform Maurice Ravel's "Bolero" and the "Polovetsian Dances" by Borodin. The sensuous "Bolero," forever intertwined with Bo Derek and the movie "10," is a perennial audience favorite. *The Polovetsian Dances* run the gamut from the sensitive melody "A Stranger in Paradise" (Prince Igor's Theme) to the whirling dervish of "Dance of the Wild Men."

"I feel confident in saying that *eXotica* is a program that will be both exciting and entertaining for our audience," says Joseph Lovecchio, Music Director and Conductor. "Building upon the incredible success and enthusiastic audience reaction of our 50th season, we are once again able to feature world-class guest artists and thrilling programs of exceptional music for this, our 51st."

Advance tickets for *eXotica* are \$20 can be purchased online at www.warminstersymphony.org, or at John Cryan Jewelers, 673 Second Street Pike, Southampton, Pa., and M&H Framing and Gallery, 373 York Road, Warminster, Pa. Tickets at the door are \$22/\$8 students with ID.

Subscriptions are most cost-effective to attend all four concerts. Seniors receive a special discounted rate. Subscriptions also make great holiday gifts!

For more information, please visit the website or call 215-672-9650.

The season also includes "Home for the Holidays," on December 2, with special guests The Bloomsburg University Women's Chorale and the winners of our Young Artist Competition: Zehavi Rodriguez, Cello; Children's Division, and Derek Shan, Violin, Youth Division; "The Clarinet Wizardry of Julian Bliss," on March 10; and the ever-popular Clipper Erickson in "All Gershwin," on May 12. For subscribers, this year's Gala Pops Concert will celebrate the 75th Anniversary of Rodgers and Hammerstein with selections from their beloved musicals. This is a season not to be missed!

