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# **NJSO adds 12 new members to Board of Trustees**

## **55-member board is largest in NJSO's history**

**New board members include David Ebenstein, Robert Garrett, John Hoffman, Christopher Johnson, Michael Nakhamkin, Philip Neches, James Reilly, Joseph Santamaria, Marcia Sass, Norman Slonaker, Sherry Varrelman and Assistant Principal Viola Elzbieta Weyman**

NEWARK, NJ—The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra welcomes 12 new members to its Board of Trustees, bringing the number of NJSO trustees to 55—the largest board in the Orchestra's history. Charged with establishing policies that assist in the successful implementation of the NJSO's mission and vision, the board comprises members who are among the most in-demand institutional leaders across the state. Individual members are among the Garden State's most significant philanthropists, and corporate members hold key leadership positions in industries such as banking, medical, communications, technology and utilities.

The NJSO has a unique legacy of having musicians sit on the board and its committees as full voting members. This season, Assistant Principal Viola Elzbieta Weyman joins first violinist Adriana Rosin, bassoonist Mark Timmerman and Principal Bassoon Robert Wagner as NJSO trustees.

New trustees include:

- **David Ebenstein** of Stamford, CT: Partner at McKinsey & Company
- **Robert Garrett** of Morris Township: President and Chief Executive Officer of Hackensack University Health Network
- **John Hoffman** of Cranford: President of the Greater New York Region of The Northern Trust Company
- **Christopher Johnson** of Montclair: brand champion who synthesizes and delivers strategies that captivate audiences and empower market share
- **Michael Nakhamkin** of Basking Ridge: Chief Technology Officer of Energy Storage and Power Corporation
- **Philip Neches** of Summit: leading technologist who was founder and chief scientist of Teradata Corp
- **James Reilly** of Oradell: Vice President of the Corporate Communications Division of Panasonic Corporation of North America
- **Joseph Santamaria** of Princeton: Chief Information Officer of Public Service Enterprise Group (PSEG)
- **Marcia Sass** of Bordentown: Assistant Professor of Health Systems and Policy at Rutgers School of Public Health
- **Norman Slonaker** of New Vernon: senior counsel in the New York office of Sidley Austin LLP
- **Sherry Varrelman** of Philadelphia, PA: Metro PA/NJ Senior Vice President and Regional Wealth Executive of TD Bank
- **Elzbieta Weyman** of Jersey City: NJSO Assistant Principal Viola

NJSO Board of Trustees Co-Chairs Ruth C. Lipper and Stephen Sichak Jr. say: "We are proud to welcome this diverse group of business, philanthropic, community and musical leaders to the NJSO Board of Trustees. In addition to their NJSO service, these leaders sit on both non- and for-profit boards across the state, making the collective NJSO board among the most experienced and senior in New Jersey. The size of our board has reached an all-time high—an

affirmation of the importance our state's prominent individuals and corporations place on a flourishing arts culture in New Jersey."

## **TRUSTEE BIOS**

### **David Ebenstein**

David Ebenstein is a partner at McKinsey & Company, based in New Jersey. He has worked on dozens of turnaround, restructuring, performance improvement and investment diligence assignments across multiple industries. His clients include leading investors, private equity funds and companies undergoing transformations. Ebenstein's experience spans a broad range of business issues. Assignments that he has led include comprehensive multi-year cost transformations for a leading telecom operator, leading pharmaceutical company and distressed consumer products company; restructuring and portfolio optimization for a global commodity producer; restructuring advisory, business plan development and M&A support for a leading US airline going through Chapter 11 bankruptcy; performance turnaround and strategic-plan development for a post-emergence industrial company; cash management, strategic planning and route profitability optimization for a distressed cargo airline; and investment diligence (from opportunity identification through transaction) on a wide range of distressed businesses in the retail, telecom and aerospace sectors for a leading distressed-for-control investor.

Prior to joining McKinsey & Company, Ebenstein worked at Oliver Wyman and at Sullivan & Cromwell. He holds a J.D. and M.B.A. from Columbia University, where he earned the highest academic honors in both programs, and a B.A. in economics (with honors) from Yale University.

### **Robert Garrett**

Robert Garrett, a nationally-renowned healthcare leader and sought-after industry expert, is the president and chief executive officer of Hackensack University Health Network (HackensackUHN)—the New Jersey-based parent company of Hackensack University Medical Center (HackensackUMC), the HackensackUMC Foundation, Hackensack University Medical Groups and corporate joint venture partners with LHP Hospital Group in ownership of both HackensackUMC at Pascack Valley in Westwood and HackensackUMC Mountainside in Montclair.

In September 2014, HackensackUHN welcomed Palisades Medical Center in North Bergen as a full member of the Network. With more than 11,300 employees, 3,100 credentialed medical staff members and 1,697 hospital and nursing-home beds at hospitals within the network, it is one of the largest healthcare systems in New Jersey.

Garrett began his time with HackensackUMC in 1981 as a resident and became executive vice president and chief operating officer in 1986. In November of 2009, he was named HackensackUMC's president and chief executive officer after a five-month, nationwide search. In the face of healthcare reform, Garrett has optimally positioned HackensackUHN and HackensackUMC for success through a series of acquisitions, mergers, partnerships and affiliations.

In October 2014, Hackensack University Health Network announced that it has plans to merge with Meridian Health, creating one, integrated healthcare delivery system known as Hackensack Meridian Health. The combined organization will have 11 hospitals throughout Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Monmouth and Ocean counties. In September 2014, Hackensack University Health Network welcomed Palisades Medical Center as a full member of the network, marked by a formal letter-of-intent signing. In March 2014, HackensackUHN announced a partnership with New York-based CityMD to open urgent care centers throughout northern New Jersey. In September 2013, the network made history by entering into a groundbreaking alliance with six other health systems to form AllSpire Health Partners, with a total of 28 hospitals and service area of more than six million people—making AllSpire the largest healthcare consortium of its kind in the country. In 2013, Pascack Valley Hospital was reopened as HackensackUMC at Pascack Valley after five long years of fighting to reopen its doors. It was the first license New Jersey has granted to a new hospital since 1984. HackensackUHN also has clinical affiliations with: Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center, Georgetown Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center, MedStar Georgetown University Hospital, United Surgical Partners International, NYU Langone Medical Center's Division of Pediatric Surgery, CVS MinuteClinic and North Shore-LIJ Health System (strategic

alliance). HackensackUHN also maintains academic affiliations with Georgetown University School of Medicine, Rutgers Medical School, St. George's University School of Medicine and Stevens Institute of Technology.

Garrett has steered HackensackUHN's community health initiatives through HackensackUMC Fitness & Wellness Powered by the Giants in Maywood, a dynamic fitness and wellness center that is one of the largest of its kind in New Jersey. Also focusing on population health, in 2012, the Hackensack Alliance Accountable Care Organization (ACO) was one of just 27 ACOs selected by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to participate in the Medicare Shared Savings Program. Today, the Hackensack Alliance ACO has 575 affiliated physicians covering nearly 40,000 lives with an estimated cost savings of \$10.75 million in its first year of operation.

HackensackUMC, the flagship hospital of the Network, has nearly 8,000 employees and nearly 1,600 physicians and is the largest provider of inpatient and outpatient services in the state. It has received some of the most prestigious designations and distinctions from the nation's leading healthcare ratings companies, including its ranking as the number one hospital in New Jersey and one of the top 30 hospitals in the nation by *U.S. News & World Report*.

Garrett's leadership and strategic vision has garnered much professional praise. In 2014, Garrett was ranked 17th on *NJBIZ's* "Power 100: The most powerful people in New Jersey business" list. In 2013, he was selected as a member of *The Wall Street Journal* CEO Council, an invitation-only council representing some of the most well-respected business leaders in America. He was the recipient of the 2013 Outstanding Medical Executive Award, part of the prestigious Edward J. III Excellence in Medicine Awards. He was also recognized as one of 30 national recipients of the 2013 Becker's Healthcare Leadership Awards, and he was named one of the "100 Leaders of Great Hospitals in America" by *Becker's Hospital Review*. He has been honored by numerous organizations and agencies and has been invited to speak at national events, such as the Healthgrades 2014 HealthShare Symposium and *Becker's Hospital Review's* annual meeting. He has been featured on numerous television programs and within numerous national publications, including the cover story of *New York SmartCEO* magazine.

Garrett serves on the Board of Directors of the Bergen Community College Foundation and QualCare. He has also served on or is a member of the New Jersey Council of Teaching Hospitals, New Jersey Hospital Association, Greater New York Hospital Association and American Hospital Association's Regional Policy Board. He received his Master of Health Administration degree from Washington University in Saint Louis and his bachelor's degree from Binghamton University in New York. He and his wife, Laura, live in Morris Township. They have two sons, Jonathan and David.

### **John F. Hoffman**

John Hoffman was appointed president of the Greater New York Region of The Northern Trust Company in March 2013. He is responsible for managing all aspects of the market, which includes Northern Trust's New York City and Greenwich, CT, offices. Hoffman's responsibilities encompass client service, talent acquisition and management, new business development and brand awareness. Previously, he was managing director and president of the New York office. He joined Northern Trust in 2003 as a wealth advisor specializing in financial, estate, investment and tax planning for high-net-worth individuals, senior executives and wealthy families.

Before joining Northern Trust, Hoffman worked at the US Trust Company for eight years, where he served as a senior vice president in its high-net-worth planning group. Prior to that, he worked at AYCO Company LP as a senior financial planner and as a member of the firm's investment planning committee.

Hoffman holds an MBA and a BBA from Hofstra University. He is also a CIMA and CPWA designations holder. He is a member of the New York Society of Security Analysts and Investment Management Consultants Association (IMCA). Hoffman serves on the Dean's Advisory Board for the Zarb School of Business at Hofstra University; he is also active with the Long Beach Island Foundation, Young Arts and the Greater NY YMCA development committee, and he serves on the US corporate advisory board for the American Associates of the National Theatre.

### **Christopher Johnson**

Christopher Johnson is a unique brand champion who synthesizes and delivers strategies that captivate audiences and empower market share. Johnson was an award-winning artist as a child, receiving the prestigious National Scholastic Art Award and a full academic scholarship to Carnegie Mellon University. His choice to combine business, technology and design studies revealed his uncommonly equal brain balance, which allows his left-brain hemisphere to loosen its grip on his right—releasing his exceptional creativity, conceptual thinking, intuition and business acumen.

Over the last two decades, he has continuously honed these abilities to envision and scale businesses from startup to maturity while acquiring and serving hundreds of diverse tier-one clients, such as JetBlue, Nikon, Evian, AmEx, J&J, P&G, Pepsi, Western Union, Prudential, MasterCard, Sesame Street, Estée Lauder, Nikon, Food Network and Fidelity, among others.

He has used his unique abilities to help senior leadership envision and build new businesses, products and brands—guiding teams spanning strategy, research, product design, creative, distribution, sales and marketing—repeatedly delivering significant increases in revenue and long-term value.

Johnson led the team that helped create the airline brand JetBlue from the very beginning, changing air travel forever while achieving a \$2 billion market cap. Before that, he helped Nissan create the Infiniti brand and the revolutionary white-glove service model that redefined the luxury-automobile ownership experience. Leading literary agent and Harvard-educated attorney Arthur Klebanoff asked him to extend his excellent reputation beyond publishing to digital. Johnson determined that Rosetta Books would be an ideal brand, and with his assistance, the largest and most influential independent eBook publisher was born. Fidelity Investments, AllianceBernstein and Nat Rothschild needed to create breakthrough financial services strategies, and each turned to Johnson to lead the teams that helped establish brands for these financial powerhouses in markets across the globe. Recently, P&G trusted him to extend the equity of their largest business, Pampers, with more than \$10 billion in sales. Johnson led strategic planning and cross-disciplined teams worldwide to create Pampers Natural Stages, an innovative baby-feeding system that redefined the entire category—delivering a blockbuster launch in major retailers.

Johnson sits on several nonprofit boards and was appointed by the US Department of State to the US-Afghan Women's Council led by First Ladies Hillary Clinton and Laura Bush. He has a proven track record in C-suite business strategy, technology, substantially growing revenue, multimillion-dollar P&L management, philanthropy and global politics. He is frequently sought by the media—including Bloomberg TV, *The Wall Street Journal*, Bankrate, PBS, WPIX NY News and Yahoo—for comment on brand strategy, and he is a columnist for *Branding Magazine*.

Outside the office, Johnson is a National Leadership Council Member of the National LGBT Museum, an avid runner and a proud father.

### **Michael Nakhamkin**

Michael Nakhamkin, Ph.D., P.E., serves as Chief Technology Officer of Energy Storage and Power Corporation. Dr. Nakhamkin is well recognized as a leader in the power-generation industry in the US and worldwide. He holds a total of 19 US and worldwide patents and has published more than 80 technical publications and books.

His patents include: 10 patents for the Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES) Technology for load management of renewable technologies and smart grids; five patents for the Air Injection Technology (AIT) technology for the power augmentation (PA) of combustion turbines/combined cycle power plants; two patents for Cascaded Humidified Advanced Turbine (CHAT) technology and two patents for the Small CAES technology.

Nakhamkin developed and patented a number of technologies involved with advancement of thermal cycles and operations of combustion turbines/combined cycle power plants. His technologies were licensed and successfully

implemented for the first time in the USA at the 110 MW CAES plant for the Alabama Electric Cooperative (1988–91). Nakhamkin and ESPC, Inc., conducted technical supervision of the project including the plant optimization, equipment specification and all required R&D developments, and they created operating computer models, supervised acceptance tests and monitored the plant operations over three years after commissioning.

Nakhamkin is the founder and president of Energy Systems & Power Consultants, LLC, since 1987. He previously held a variety of supervising positions with Gibbs & Hill, Inc., Architect Engineering Company, serving since 1984 in the position of the Chief Engineer of Advanced Technology. A registered Professional Engineer in New York and Alabama and a member of ASME since 1979, Nakhamkin has received a number of achievement awards. He and his wife, Nanni, live in Basking Ridge, NJ, and Miami, FL.

### **Philip Neches**

Dr. Philip Neches is one of America's leading technologists. He was founder and chief scientist of Teradata Corp (1979–88). Teradata pioneered the application of parallel processing to commercial applications with hardware and software products that implement the world's largest relational databases. The company raised \$70 million through venture capital and public financings and was subsequently acquired by AT&T for a return to shareholders of more than \$1 billion. The company is now part of NCR Corporation.

As senior vice president and chief scientist of NCR, Neches led the repositioning of the entire computer product family prior to merger with AT&T and then led product planning for merger with AT&T. During this period, he was on the board of directors of MCC and Semitech (research consortiums) and Dayton Public Radio. He became Vice President and Chief Technical Officer, Multimedia Products and Services Group, AT&T Corp., where his responsibilities included microelectronics, data communication products, business telephone products (including call centers), consumer products and initial incubation of what became AT&T's Internet service.

Neches serves on the board of directors of PeopleLink Corporation and Expand Beyond, Inc. His prior directorships include DemoGraFx, MediaMap and VendQuest. He serves on the advisory boards of EarthLink, Tacoda Systems, Luxtera and the Technology Group (analyst practice) for Merrill Lynch. In 1999, Neches served as Acting Chief Technology Officer of idealab! (an internet B2C company incubator).

Neches received his formal training at the California Institute of Technology, where he holds a B.S. (1973), M.S. (1977) and Ph.D. (1983) in Computer Science. He serves on Caltech's board of trustees, sits on its audit, investment, business and finance, development, JPL and executive committees and chairs the technology transfer committee.

He and his wife, Ellen Feely Neches, live in Summit, regularly attend NJSO concerts and have traveled on the Amadeus Circle programs to Cuba, Canada and Germany.

### **James V. Reilly**

Jim Reilly is vice president of the Corporate Communications Division of Panasonic Corporation of North America, the principal North American subsidiary company of Osaka, Japan-based Panasonic Corporation. In this role, he is responsible for planning and leading media relations, executive communications and employee communications, including editing a weekly email newsletter for employees in the United States.

Over the years with Panasonic, he has had extensive experience in communicating on issues ranging from technology to legal matters with TV, print and online media. He has also scripted major executive speeches and presentations, including keynote addresses at the Consumer Electronics Shows. In addition to his internal responsibilities, Reilly has represented Panasonic in industry organizations. From its founding, he led the Marketing & PR Committee of the Digital Network Living Alliance (DLNA). For the last 10 years, he has represented the company on the Consumer Electronics Association's Communications Committee.

Before joining Panasonic in 1992, Reilly held account management positions in advertising and PR agencies in New York City. He established and then led, as Executive Vice President, NTT Ad, Inc., the US advertising subsidiary of Japan's NTT Corp. Before that, he served as Vice President of GCI Group, the public-relations subsidiary of Grey Advertising (now known as Grey Global Group, part of WPP), specializing in Japanese and high-tech accounts. Prior to joining GCI, Reilly was Vice President at Ruder-Finn, where he led accounts including Mitsubishi Motors, Fujitsu, Ltd., Japan External Trade Organization and others. He is the translator and editor of the book *Business Otsukiai, A Guide to Japanese Business Protocol*.

Reilly earned an MA in East Asian Studies from Stanford University. He is a graduate of City College of New York and served in the US Army.

### **Joseph Santamaria**

Joseph Santamaria is a highly driven individual with 20 years of progressive experience as a senior IT executive and principal consultant in global multibillion Fortune 500 companies. His background includes extensive business process transformation, strategic planning, program office, value extraction and enterprise application development. He has a proven ability to establish strong relationships with C-suite executives based on developing a shared vision, common passion for business results and operational excellence. He has process and technology expertise in leasing, order management and billing, CRM, logistics, supply chain, finance, product lifecycle management, real-time and operational technologies for high-tech, pharmaceutical, utilities and consumer product goods verticals. He is highly skilled in all facets of IT delivery, including application strategy, technical roadmap formulation, operational planning, project delivery, testing, outsourcing, acquisition integration, infrastructure, data center operations, Sarbanes Oxley Compliance, Six Sigma and CMMi practices.

Santamaria has been chief information officer of Public Service Enterprise Group (PSEG) in Newark since 2012. He is responsible for all enterprise planning, strategic, change and operational IT services across all business units, including Energy Trading, Electric and Gas Utility, PSEG Power and the Services Company. He manages a team of more than 800 FTEs and an annual O&M and Capex budget of \$350 million.

He was previously chief information officer of UIL Holdings in New Haven, CT, where he reported to the CEO and was responsible for all strategic and operational IT Shared Services across gas and electric utilities.

He worked for Pitney Bowes, Inc., in Stamford, CT, from 2001 to 2010. He held positions as director of supply chain and B2B applications; director of leasing, order to cash and logistics applications; and vice president of enterprise business applications.

Santamaria is a member of the advisory boards of AT&T Field Service and Powerplan; he is Lead of Edison Electric Institute CIO Executive Advisory Committee. He holds a Master in Business Administration (MBA) degree from ESADE, Barcelona, Spain and Cranfield SOM, UK; a Master in Applied and Industrial Physics (MSc) from University of Barcelona, Spain and Imperial College, London; and a bachelor's degree in physics from the University of Barcelona, Spain.

### **Marcia Sass**

Marcia Sass is Assistant Professor of Health Systems and Policy at Rutgers School of Public Health (SPH), formerly UMDNJ-SPH. She is a consultant to the New Jersey chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (NJAAP) through Rutgers School of Public Health to serve as Program Director of the NJ Department of Children and Families (NIDCF) Pediatric Partnership Initiative.

She holds a BS/RN from the University of Maryland's School of Nursing (UMSON), an MSN from the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing and an ScD in Health Services Research and Evaluation from the Bloomberg School of Public Health at Johns Hopkins University.

She is a member of the American Public Health Association and the Association for Health Services Research/Academy Health; she is a lifetime member of the Delta Omega Honor Society in Public Health. She has previously been a member of the American Nurses Association, Pennsylvania Nurses Association, Maryland Nurses Association and several CDC panels on development and implementation of methods for evaluation.

Sass has been coordinator for Vaccine Preventable Diseases Conferences through the UMDNJ-NJ Center for Public Health Preparedness in collaboration with State and Community Partners. She is chair of the Evaluation Committee for the NJ Comprehensive Cancer Control and Prevention Plan. She previously served on the Middlesex County Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools Task Force. She was a member of the Riverside Townhouse Homeowners Association (RTHA) and later became chair and board of trustee member of the RTHA AAC and Contracts Committee; she served as the RTHA's president from 2000–02.

She is a member of the NJSO's Laureate Society and Amadeus Circle.

### **Norm Slonaker**

Norm Slonaker is senior counsel in the New York office of Sidley Austin LLP, practicing in the securities group. Previously, he was a partner at the firm since 1973. He has extensive experience in a variety of transactions, with particular emphasis on structured securities, investment grade debt securities, medium-term note programs, Rule 144A offerings and convertible and exchangeable securities.

Slonaker has been a speaker at seminars on financial regulation reform, new financial instruments and techniques and other aspects of the federal securities laws. He has been recognized by *Chambers USA* in National Capital Markets: Debt & Equity (Band I), where he has been noted for "maintain[ing] an impressive profile in the sector for his expertise in advising clients on debt and equity offerings. Clients appreciate his practical advice." He has also been recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America* in Securities/Capital Markets Law and in the 2014 and 2015 editions of the *IFLR1000* as a "Leading Lawyer" in Capital Markets in the United States.

Slonaker is a member of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York and served on the Securities Regulation and Financial Reporting Committees, where he was the chair from 2006 to 2009. He is a former member of the American Bar Association, Task Force on Sellers' Due Diligence and Similar Defenses under the Federal Securities Laws.

### **Sherry Varrelman**

Sherry Varrelman is TD Bank's Metro PA/NJ Senior Vice President & Regional Wealth Executive. She is responsible for the oversight and profit center management of TD's Wealth Management within the Pennsylvania and New Jersey markets.

She was previously Managing Director & Regional President – Wealth Management Group of BNY Mellon. In a 15-year tenure with Wachovia Bank, she held senior vice president and wealth management director positions for the bank's Mid-Atlantic, Pennsylvania and Delaware regions.

In 2004, Varrelman was named one of Pennsylvania's 50 Best Women in Business by the Pennsylvania Governor's Council and *The Central Pennsylvania Business Journal*; she also was recognized in a Salute to Women of Achievement at the March of Dimes for Southeast PA. She garnered a Woman of Distinction Award from *The Philadelphia Business Journal* in 2003.

She serves on the Trustee and Corporate Executive Board of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, is a trustee of The Rock School of Dance and is a board member of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts and Forum of Executive Women.

### **Elzbieta Weyman**

Assistant Principal Viola Elzbieta Weyman joined the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra in 2013. A native of Newton, MA, Weyman began studying violin at age 4 and switched to viola at 13, studying with Boston Symphony member Michael Zaretsky. She continued her musical education at The Juilliard School, where she studied with Masao Kawasaki and Michael Tree. Weyman was a member of the New World Symphony, an orchestral training program for postgraduate musicians, from 2011–13.

Weyman has made several solo and chamber music appearances. She performed Walton’s Viola Concerto at the Aspen Music Festival under the baton of Leonard Slatkin in 2007 and Mozart’s Sinfonia Concertante with the Juilliard Orchestra with conductor Xian Zhang in 2010. In addition to the Aspen Music Festival, she has participated in many summer festivals, including La Jolla Summerfest, Saito-Kinen Music Festival and, most recently, the Verbier Festival Orchestra.

### **THE NEW JERSEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

Named “a vital, artistically significant musical organization” by *The Wall Street Journal*, the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra embodies that vitality through its statewide presence and critically acclaimed performances, education partnerships and unparalleled access to music and the Orchestra’s superb musicians.

Under the bold leadership of Music Director Jacques Lacombe, the NJSO presents classical, pops and family programs, as well as outdoor summer concerts and special events. Embracing its legacy as a statewide orchestra, the NJSO is the resident orchestra of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark and regularly performs at the State Theatre in New Brunswick, Count Basie Theatre in Red Bank, Richardson Auditorium in Princeton, Mayo Performing Arts Center in Morristown and bergenPAC in Englewood. Partnerships with New Jersey arts organizations, universities and civic organizations remain a key element of the Orchestra’s statewide identity.

In addition to its lauded artistic programming, the NJSO presents a suite of education and community engagement programs that promote meaningful, lifelong engagement with live music. Programs include school-time Concerts for Young People performances and multiple offerings—including the NJSO Youth Orchestras family of student ensembles and El Sistema-inspired NJSO CHAMPS (Character, Achievement and Music Project)—that provide and promote instrumental instruction as part of the NJSO Academy. The NJSO’s REACH (Resources for Education and Community Harmony) chamber music program annually brings original programs—designed and performed by NJSO musicians—to a variety of settings, reaching as many as 17,000 people in nearly all of New Jersey’s 21 counties.

For more information about the NJSO, visit [www.njsymphony.org](http://www.njsymphony.org) or email [information@njsymphony.org](mailto:information@njsymphony.org). Tickets are available for purchase by phone 1.800.ALLEGRO (255.3476) or on the Orchestra’s website.

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