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NYSSMA Returns to Rochester for 80th Conference

Approximately 900 NYS Music Students to Perform at Eighteenth Event Held in City

Westbury, NY – October 15, 2015 – The New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA), is proud to celebrate its Eightieth (80th) All State/Winter Conference in 2015. This year, NYSSMA returns to the Rochester Riverside Convention Center from December 3 – 6, 2015 to celebrate its eighteen-year relationship with the city.

Approximately nine hundred (900) students from high schools across New York State will perform in eight ensembles, and professional development related to music education will be offered to approximately 1,200 attendees. Several school ensembles will be featured, and Glenn Nierman, President of the National Association for Music Education (NAfME) will deliver the keynote address.

NYSSMA's featured artist will be Triton Brass. Members of this exciting Internationally-renown musical quintet has been artists-in-residence at both the Tanglewood Institute and The Boston Conservatory, where each has served as on the faculty.

"As NYSSMA celebrates its eightieth All State Conference, we are proud to partner with the city of Rochester for the eighteenth year in a row," said Dr. David Gaines, NYSSMA President. "Music educators from all over the State will attend for professional development opportunities, seminars, performances, and valuable lesson materials for use in their classes and rehearsals. Among the highlights of our conference, however, are the many wonderful performances by our All State students at the beautiful Eastman Theatre."

The annual conference will feature the All State Ensembles in concert at the historic Eastman Theater as follows:

Saturday, December 5th – 3:00 p.m.

Wind Ensemble
Instrumental and Vocal Jazz Ensembles

Saturday, December 5th – 8:00 p.m.

String Orchestra, Women's Chorus

Sunday December 6th – 10:00 a.m.

Symphony Orchestra, Symphonic Band and Mixed Chorus

NYSSMA, the New York State School Music Association, is the largest state affiliate of The National Association for Music Education. The mission of NYSSMA is to advocate and improve the education in music of all people by promoting appropriate music activities and programs in the schools and communities throughout New York State.

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