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NORTH SHORE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA ANNOUNCES NEW HORIZONS COMPETITION

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Long Island's most established community orchestra, **North Shore Symphony Orchestra**, is making a bold statement as it enters its 56th season, with the launch of a new competition for composers. **The New Horizons Composer Competition** has been established to recognize rising metropolitan New York area young composers between the ages of 18 and 30. The winner of competition will be honored at the fourth concert of the NSSO's 2016-2017 season during the month of June (date TBA), with a performance of the composition selected by the jury. Applicants to the competition must be resident of Nassau County, Suffolk County, or the 5 Boroughs of New York, or studying at an institution within these areas. The New Horizons Competition joins the well-established **North Shore Symphony Orchestra Young Artist Competition**, which is run every other year in odd years, and has been in existence since 1993.

The launch of this competition is the first new initiative instituted by the North Shore Symphony Orchestra's newly installed Music Director, **Vlad Vizireanu**. Maestro Vizireanu, a much-acclaimed rising star in the conducting world, recently participated in both the Donatella Flick Conducting Competition with the London Symphony, and the renowned Mahler Conducting Competition with the Bamberg Symphony. He was awarded second prize in the 11th International Cadaqués Conducting Competition where he conducted the Cadaqués Symphony in an internationally televised concert in L'Auditori Hall, Barcelona.

Mr. Vizireanu's first concert with the North Shore Symphony Orchestra will be November 5, 2016, at Plainview Old Bethpage JFK High School, and will include Verdi's Overture to Nabucco, Prokofiev's Violin Concerto No. 2 (with NSSO Artist-in-Residence **Anton Polezayev**), and Elgar's Enigma Variations.

For more information about the New Horizons Conducting Competition or the North Shore Symphony Orchestra, please visit www.northshoresymphonyorch.org, or contact Susan DelGiorno at susandelg@gmail.com or Janice Chen at janicechen7@gmail.com.

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