



BUFFALO PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Press Release

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Clement & Karen Arrison Family Charitable Foundation Challenge Grant Announced

June 21, 2010, Buffalo, N.Y. – The Clement & Karen Arrison Family Charitable Foundation has generously awarded the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra with a \$25,000 dollar-for-dollar matching grant for all gifts received at the BPO through June 30, 2010. All gifts made to the BPO from now until the end of June are eligible.

The Grammy-Award Winning Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra was founded in 1935. Since 1940, the Orchestra's permanent home has been Kleinhans Music Hall, a National Historic Site with an international reputation as one of the finest concert halls in the United States. The Orchestra presents more than one hundred and twenty Classics, Pops and Youth Concerts each year in WNY. During the tenure of current music director JoAnn Falletta, the BPO has rekindled its distinguished history of NPR broadcasts and recordings, including the release of eleven new CDs of a highly diverse repertoire on the NAXOS and Beau Fleuve labels. The Philharmonic's Naxos recording of composer John Corigliano's "Mr. Tambourine Man: Seven Poems of Bob Dylan," featuring soprano Hila Plitmann, won Grammys in two categories of the three for which it was nominated: classical vocal performance and classical contemporary composition.