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Pan American Round Table-Houston Co-Hosts *ALLEGRO* in Partnership with the Houston Symphony's Hispanic Leadership Council

Concert features Houston Symphony's Community-Embedded Musicians & Musical Ambassador Carlos Andrés Botero on Wednesday, February 21

Houston (Thursday, February 8, 2018) - Pan American Round Table – Houston (PART Houston) cordially invites you to *Allegro, An Intimate Concert with Houston Symphony's Community-Embedded Musicians* as part of a partnership with the Houston Symphony's Hispanic Leadership Council. Guests will enjoy an intimate concert with opening remarks by Musical Ambassador Carlos Andrés Botero on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at The Magnolia Hotel. The event will start at 6:00pm with an hour of cocktails and light bites continued by the concert promptly at 7:00pm, arrive early as doors will remain closed during the performance. Tickets are available on Eventbrite at \$65 each, proceeds benefit the PART Houston Scholarship Fund.

Allegro features Community-Embedded Musicians Rainel Joubert, violin, David Connor, double bass, and Musical Ambassador Carlos Andrés Botero, who will introduce the program and share his musical journey with guests. The concert will feature exciting classical works and musical selections from the Americas in honor of Pan American art and culture. A short Q&A with the musicians will follow the performance.

"Our mission is to work with Houston Symphony leadership to provide meaningful musical experiences while helping improve the lives of the Hispanic community in Greater Houston," said Art Vivar, Houston Symphony's Hispanic Leadership Council Chair. "We're very much looking forward to this evening of music and to help raise funds for our deserving youth in pursuit of careers in STEM, business and public service."

Proceeds raised at the event will benefit the PART Houston scholarship fund. Our 242 past scholarship recipients have gone on to become professionals in STEM, business, public service, medicine and have returned to serve on the board, donate scholarships, and participate in developing a network of alumni community leaders.

"We are delighted to partner with the Houston Symphony's Hispanic Leadership Council on this amazing musical concert and encourage the community to attend. You will be wonderfully entertained" stated PART Houston Director, Esmeralda Pena Garcia.

Tickets to the event can be purchased on Eventbrite at <https://PARTAllegro.eventbrite.com>, at \$65 each.

Members of PART Houston, the Houston Symphony's Hispanic Leadership Council and Musical Ambassador Carlos Andrés Botero are available for interviews leading up to the event. Media is invited to attend the event but will need to RSVP.

About Pan American Round Table Houston

Over the past 77 years PART Houston has championed education by awarding over \$242,000 in scholarships to local high school Latina girls. PART Houston continues to fulfill its mission by offering educational opportunities to young deserving women, promoting cultural exchange programs, participating in member projects and developing a network of community leaders. For more information visit www.PARTHouston.org

About the Houston Symphony

During the 2017-18 season, the Houston Symphony celebrates its fourth season with Music Director Andrés Orozco- Estrada and continues its second century as one of America's leading orchestras with a full complement of concert, community, education, touring and recording activities. The Houston Symphony, one of the oldest performing arts organizations in Texas, held its inaugural performance at The Majestic Theater in downtown Houston June 21, 1913. Today, with an annual operating budget of \$33.9 million, the full-time ensemble of 88 professional musicians presents nearly 170 concerts annually, making it the largest performing arts organization in Houston. Additionally, musicians of the orchestra and the Symphony's four Community-Embedded Musicians offer over 900 community-based performances each year, reaching thousands of people in Greater Houston.

The Grammy Award-winning Houston Symphony has recorded under various prestigious labels, including Naxos, Koch International Classics, Telarc, RCA Red Seal, Virgin Classics and, most recently, Dutch recording label Pentatone. In 2017, the Houston Symphony was awarded an ECHO Klassik award for the live recording of Alban Berg's Wozzeck under the direction of former Music Director Hans Graf. The orchestra earned its first Grammy nomination and Grammy Award at the 60th annual ceremony for the same recording in the Best Opera Recording category.

For tickets and more information, please visit www.houstonsymphony.org or call 713-224-7575.

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