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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2019 AT 7:30 PM

Garde Arts Center, New London, CT

JOURNEY HOME, Justin Park, cello

Ludwig van Beethoven's *Egmont Overture* opens this mid-winter concert. Commissioned to accompany the play *Egmont* by Goethe, this whirlwind overture takes the audience on an emotional journey depicting victory over oppression. The ECSO 2018 Instrumental Competition Winner, Justin Park, performs Sergei Prokofiev's *Sinfonia Concertante* for cello and orchestra. Prokofiev called upon virtuoso cellist Mstislav Rostropovich to explore the richness of the cello as a soloist instrument, resulting in a dramatic and technically exciting work, with much interplay between soloist and orchestra. Antonín Dvořák's *Symphony No. 7* closes out the program with its subtle Slavic themes, and showcases the work of a composer who was full of inspiration from his home country.

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