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**Nashua Symphony Orchestra's
OPENING NIGHT
features new Music Director Jonathan McPhee,
Dvořák's *New World* Symphony**

(Nashua, NH) The Nashua Symphony Association's 2008 | 09 season begins on Saturday, October 4, at 8:00 p.m., at Nashua's Keefe Memorial Auditorium. Opening night, entitled "*Our New World*," features the Symphony's new Music Director, Jonathan McPhee, conducting music by Bedřich Smetana, Zoltán Kodály, and Antonín Dvořák.

In an effort to encourage the participation of as many music lovers as possible, the NSA announced that all tickets for this performance – regardless of seating section – are just \$20.00. "This is an excellent opportunity for first-time concertgoers to come and check out the NSO experience," remarked NSA Executive Director, Eric Valliere. "They can reserve great seats at a very reasonable price, and the program will be a pulse-pounding introduction to our wonderful performances."

Mr. Valliere also noted that the NSA is "delighted that Citizens Bank Foundation has joined our community of business partners by underwriting this performance."

Anticipation for this concert is high, as the NSA proudly welcomes new Music Director and Principal Conductor, Jonathan McPhee.

Asked about the New World Symphony of Dvořák, Mr. McPhee exclaimed: "We are the New World! Antonín Dvořák was asked to spend time in America to teach

composition at the conservatory in New York City and really create a school of American composition at the turn of the last century. Inspired by the “eternal optimism” expressed by us, our country, and the richness of the African-American spirituals he heard on his travels, he created a portrait of the United States and its people through the eyes of one of the great European composers.”

WHEN: Saturday, October 4 at 8:00 p.m.

WHAT: OUR NEW WORLD
Jonathan McPhee, Nashua Symphony Orchestra

SMETANA

The Moldau, from *Ma Vlast*

KODALY

The Peacock: Variations on a Hungarian Folksong

DVORAK

Symphony No. 9 in E Minor, op. 94, *From the New World*

WHERE: Keefe Memorial Auditorium
corner of Lake and Elm Streets, Nashua NH.

OF SPECIAL NOTE: ALL SEATS FOR THIS PERFORMANCE ARE JUST \$20!

Ticket Information

All tickets are \$20.00, available at the Nashua Symphony Box Office, 6 Church St., and can be charged to major credit cards by calling 603.595.9156 or purchased online by visiting the NSA website, www.nashuasymphony.org. Request a season brochure online, by phone, or via email to NSO@NashuaSymphony.org

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