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## **BEETHOVEN'S FIFTH PERFORMED BY ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA**

The Artist Series at Wheaton College presents the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in concert at 8 pm Thursday, January 17. The program features Beethoven's monumental Fifth Symphony and Violin Concerto in D Major, Op.61.

Founded in 1946 by Sir Thomas Beecham, with his vision of bringing world-class musical performances to his country, the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra continues to maintain Beecham's legacy by offering audiences the highest possible standards of music-making, accompanied by some of the most acclaimed artists of the day.

The London based orchestra has toured more than thirty countries in the last five years, including performances for the late Pope John Paul II in the Vatican and the President of China in Tiananmen Square.

Performing as violin soloist and conducting the orchestra is Pinchas Zukerman. Zukerman, a noted Israeli violinist and conductor, has recorded more than 100 works and has been nominated for 21 Grammy Awards, winning two. He is on the faculty at the prestigious Manhattan School of Music and is the head and founder of the Zukerman Performance Program at the school.

The concert is in partnership with McCormick Tribune Foundation, Tyndale House Publishers Inc., and Airhart Construction Corporation. It will be held in Edman Memorial Chapel, located on the northeast corner of Washington and Franklin streets in Wheaton.

Individual tickets range from \$33 to \$53. Discounts are available for seniors (60+), students, and groups of 20 people or more. Seven- and four-concert subscriptions are also available. To reserve your seats, contact the Ticket & Information Office at 630.752.5010 or [www.artistseries.org](http://www.artistseries.org). Online orders may be placed through Tuesday, January 15.

Wheaton College (Wheaton, Ill.) is a coeducational Christian liberal arts college noted for its rigorous academics, integration of faith and learning, and consistent ranking among the top liberal arts colleges in the country.