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Mount Vernon Place Conservancy Announces Symphony Number One to Perform in Mount Vernon Place

(8/22/18 Baltimore, Maryland) –The Mount Vernon Place Conservancy ("Conservancy") announces that Baltimore chamber orchestra Symphony Number One ("SNO"), will perform in the West Square of Mount Vernon Place on Aug. 29, 2018 from 7 – 8:30 pm. The selection of works performed will include premiers of new works by budding composers alongside selections from Aaron Copland's beloved *Appalachian Spring*. The public is invited to this free performance and reception.

Each summer the Conservancy puts together a roster of free weekly programming for the Mount Vernon community and visitors to enjoy. Dr. Lance Humphries, the Executive Director of the Conservancy, commented: "We are thrilled to be concluding our summer season with Symphony Number One again this year. Last year's concert and reception were clearly the highlight of our 2017 season. This year, we focused our lineup on Mount Vernon talent, including the Baltimore School for the Arts, Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, and numerous other groups based here in the neighborhood – and SNO's connection to Mount Vernon is a great fit!"

SNO is dedicated to performing and promoting substantial works by emerging composers. Led by Music Director Jordan Randall Smith, SNO brings together great composers of the past, virtuoso performers of the present, and the leading compositional voices of the future. In just three years, SNO has released 4 albums (available on Amazon, iTunes, and Spotify), given over 30 performances, and premiered over 40 new works. Named in Baltimore Magazine's "Best of Baltimore" 2016, SNO performed at TEDxMidAtlantic 2017 in Washington, DC, among a number of notable performances across the region.

Notes Smith: "We are pleased to have been invited back by the Conservancy to again perform for the finale of Summer in the Squares 2018. Symphony Number One is dedicated to creating unique, customized performances that serve our Baltimore community. We're particularly excited about offering a free concert to our neighbors, since we were founded right here in Mount Vernon."

The Aug. 29 performance will include an ensemble of 14 performers. Two new extended compositions will premiere at this concert, each completely original. Local composer Douglas Buchanan and guest

Kirsten Broberg each offer their unique conversation with the music of Copland through their intriguing creations.

WPM Real Estate Management will be providing free finger foods from local Italian eatery Trinacria. WPM provides property management services in the Baltimore/Washington Metropolitan area and are managers of a number of apartment communities in the Mount Vernon neighborhood including St. James Place, The Severn, 500 Park Avenue, 520 Park Avenue, & 611 Park Avenue. The Conservancy will contribute complimentary beer and wine to be served at the event as well.

This free, festive reception starts at 6:30pm. The Conservancy is pleased to thank the WPM Real Estate Management for co-sponsoring this reception, and Symphony Number One for their support and collaboration in putting on this wonderful free program.

The Conservancy's *Summer in the Squares* series continues this season through mid-September with a rescheduled performance by Letitia VanSant, and MVP Movie Nights featuring Step (2017) and Wonder Woman (2017).

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