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## **BPO 'UpClose' offers new immersive concert experience on October 9**

**Camera-friendly performance in Kleinhans' Mary Seaton Room invites new audiences to engage with classical music and BPO musicians**



On Wednesday, October 9, the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra proudly presents **BPO UpClose**: an in-the-round performance designed to create a unique, intimate yet informal concert experience in Kleinhans Music Hall's Mary Seaton Room. Led by Concertmaster Nikki Chooi, BPO musicians will perform accessible, short classical music pieces with the audience seated around the orchestra. BPO double-bassist Jonathan Borden will host, sharing backstory and insights into the music throughout the program.

Through this event, the BPO welcomes new and familiar audiences to engage with classical music and the orchestra's musicians in a relaxed atmosphere. Further, in a rare opportunity for orchestral concerts, attendees are encouraged to capture the evening through photos and videos, with dramatic lighting ideal for sharing on social media.

A pre-concert happy hour and post-concert mix-and-mingle will give attendees the opportunity to unwind in the historic Kleinhans Music Hall, while connecting with fellow concertgoers and BPO musicians alike. View the event schedule listed below:

- 6:00pm – Happy hour with cash bar
- 7:00pm – Concert
- Post-concert mingle with musicians – complimentary wine and beer, soft drinks, dessert and cheese trays will be served.

For details, visit [bpo.org/upclose](https://bpo.org/upclose). \$35 tickets are available to purchase online, in-person at the Box Office in Kleinhans Music Hall, or by calling (716) 885-5000. Free parking is available on a first-come, first-served basis, with additional street parking options nearby.

Find images [here](#). For additional information, interviews, photos, or video, contact Simone Viola at [sviola@bpo.org](mailto:sviola@bpo.org) or (716) 242-7814.

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