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Metro Collection at Randolph-Macon College Begins its season with chamber pieces by Beethoven, Haydn, Clarke and Davies and Soloist Molly Sharp, Viola

Sunday, October 1 at 3pm Blackwell Auditorium at Randolph-Macon College

September 26, 2017– Richmond, Virginia Join the Richmond Symphony and Music Director Steven Smith on Sunday, October 1 at 3pm for a Metro Collection concert including chamber pieces by Beethoven, Haydn, Clarke and Davies. Joining the orchestra will be the Symphony's Principal Violist, Molly Sharp performing Clarke's Concerto for Violin and Orchestra. All Metro Collection concerts are held in the Blackwell Auditorium on the Randolph-Macon College campus.

Ticket are \$22 for adults, \$20 for seniors, \$10 for children and \$10 at the door for college students and faculty with ID. Purchase tickets online at richmondsymphony.com or by calling 1.800.514.ETIX. A free pre-concert talk will be held from 2 - 2:30pm in the Dollar Tree Community Room on the second floor of Brock Commons across from the Blackwell Auditorium.

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Molly Sharp bio Steven Smith bio

Program Steven Smith, conductor

BEETHOVEN Overture to *Coriolan*, Opus 62

CLARKE Concerto for Viola and Piano

Impetuoso Vivace Adagio

Molly Sharp, viola

Intermission

DAVIES Carolísima, Op. 168

HAYDN Symphony No. 83 in G minor, "La Poule"

I. Allegro spiritoso

II. Andante

III. Menuet: Allegretto IV. Finale: Vivace

About the Richmond Symphony

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