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Omaha Symphony explores “New World” next weekend

What: *From the New World* MasterWorks Concert

Sponsored by Omaha Steaks

When: April 3 & 4 8 PM

Holland Performing Arts Center 1200 Douglas Street

Tickets: \$15- \$75; 402.345.0606, 402.342.3560, or www.omahasymphony.org

Omaha, Neb – Join Maestro Thomas Wilkins and the Omaha Symphony for *From the New World*, a MasterWorks performance featuring Dvorak’s “New World” Symphony. We present one of the most popular works in orchestral repertoire April 3 and 4, at 8 p.m. at the Holland Performing Arts Center.

The Czech composer’s masterpiece symphony was written during a visit to the United States in the late 19th century. Dvorak was dually inspired by the diversity of modern music that he found in America (the so-called “New World”), and by the beautiful Bohemia-based melodies he knew from his homeland (the “Old World”). At its Carnegie Hall debut, the “New World” Symphony received a standing ovation and thunderous applause, a response it continues to garner today.

This concert also spotlights the amazing talent of bassist **Edgar Meyer**. In demand as both a performer and composer, Meyer is “the most remarkable virtuoso in the relatively unchronicled history of his instrument” (*The New Yorker*). His unparalleled technique, musicianship, and flying fingers will have you looking at the double bass in a whole new way!

Single tickets to *From the New World* start at \$15 and are available at 402.342.3560, www.omahasymphony.org, or the Omaha Symphony Ticket Office at 1605 Howard Street.

The Omaha Symphony is a non-profit organization that presents more than 200 live orchestral performances from September through May. In addition to MasterWorks, Symphony Pops, Symphony Rocks, Chamber, Discovery, Casual Classics, West “O” Casual Classics, and Family series concerts, the orchestra tours both Nebraska and Iowa providing education and community engagement concerts and special events. For tickets or information regarding the Omaha Symphony, call 402.342.3560 or visit www.omahasymphony.org

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