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### **Press Release**

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### **PIANO VIRTUOSO GARRICK OHLSSON**

#### **RETURNS TO PURCHASE OCT. 26**

**PURCHASE** – Grammy<sup>®</sup> Award winning piano virtuoso **Garrick Ohlsson** returns by popular demand to **The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College** at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 26. Tickets are \$67.50, \$57.50, \$47.50 and \$37.50 (includes parking).

Since his triumph as winner of the 1970 Chopin International Piano Competition, the White Plains native has established himself as a musician of extraordinary interpretive power and prodigious technical facility. Ohlsson is regarded as one of the world's leading exponents of the music of Chopin. He also has come to be noted for his masterly performances of the works of Mozart, Beethoven and Schubert, as well as the Romantic repertoire.

In recent seasons Ohlsson has performed with the New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, Hollywood Bowl Orchestra, and the symphony orchestras of Boston, Toronto, San Francisco, Seattle, Indianapolis, Cleveland, Chicago and St. Louis. Internationally, he had solo engagements with Tokyo's NHK Symphony Orchestra, the Deutsche Orchester Berlin at the Beijing Festival in China, and with the Buenos Aires Philharmonic.

Ohlsson began his piano studies at the age of eight. After attending the Westchester Conservatory of Music, at age 13 he entered The Juilliard School in New York City. Although he won First Prizes at the 1966 Busoni Competition in Italy and 1968 Montreal Piano Competition, it was his 1970 triumph at the Chopin Competition in Warsaw, where he won the Gold Medal, which brought him worldwide recognition as one of the finest pianists of his generation.

The Great Performances series at The Performing Arts Center continues with violinist **Hilary Hahn** (Feb. 27) and cellist **Lyn Harrell** (Apr. 5).

For more information, and to buy tickets, contact **The Performing Arts Center** ticket office (914-251-6200) or log onto The Center's website at <http://www.artscenter.org>.

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Purchase College is located in Westchester County, minutes from the Connecticut border. The college, part of the State University of New York system, is a major institution of public higher education encompassing the liberal

arts and sciences, professional training in the performing and visual arts, and continuing education. The college campus is home to The Performing Arts Center and The Neuberger Museum of Art, which strive to present models of excellence for both the college and its surrounding community.

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