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# NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR'S COMPOSITION TO BE PERFORMED AT NEW YORK CITY'S LINCOLN CENTER

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**WHAT:** Melody for Dialogue Among Civilizations Association (MDACA) will host its world premiere concert, “Melody for Peace – Rossini, but not only...” The goal of this special event is to promote peace and a unique bond among humanity through the universal language of music performed by artists from around the world.

Northeastern University is co-sponsoring the event.

**WHO:** The event will feature an original composition by Anthony Paul De Ritis, Chair of Northeastern University’s Department of Music. Titled, *Melody for Peace*, De Ritis’ work will showcase a dialogue between traditional, classical and contemporary music.

De Ritis, a music technologist and composer, has been described as a “wunderkind” by *San Francisco Magazine* and is internationally renowned for “widening the palette of orchestral tradition,” (*The Village Voice*). He has been the Chair of the Music Department and Director of Multimedia Studies at Northeastern University since 1998. Some of his most notable compositions have been collaborations with other international musicians that have featured a variety of traditional instruments. His interest in music and musical instruments from around the world made his composition a natural choice for the Melody for Dialogue Among Civilizations Association.

The concert will also feature the Orchestra of St. Luke’s, violinist Chee-Yun (Korea), described as “... utterly magical” by *Gramophone*, and internationally renowned violinist and UNESCO Artist for

**Peace, Ino Mirkovic (Croatia), in dialogue with erhu player Guo Gan (China). They will join 20 traditional musicians from 18 countries in an effort to promote respect for cultural diversity and encourage a dialogue among civilizations.**

**WHEN:** Monday, December 3, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Avery Fisher Hall, Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

10 Lincoln Center Plaza

New York, NY 10023

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