



## Media Release

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### HPO Welcomes The Community With “Meet Us On Locke” Open House

Hamilton, Ontario – The **Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra** invites the community to our first ever open house event, **Meet Us On Locke**, on Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at the **Cheese Shoppe on Locke**.

Drop by the Cheese Shoppe on Locke any time between 5 and 7pm on May 28<sup>th</sup> to meet the Hamilton Philharmonic and enjoy wine, cheese, socializing and music. Music Director James Sommerville along with HPO musicians will be in attendance for meet & greet, and Jane Allison, Manager of Community Partnerships at the Hamilton Spectator will provide a welcome.

“Meet Us On Locke brings the community together and puts a human face on the orchestra,” says Robin Marritt, Director of Community Engagement with the HPO. “It’s a great way for people to check us out in a fun, informal setting, and get to know their orchestra.”

The Cheese Shoppe on Locke is located at 190 Locke Street South in Hamilton.

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*community. The combined musical talents of its artists continue to enrich the community and enhance the quality of life for its residents.*