



Hopkinton Athletic Association



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**The Boston Athletic Association and the Hopkinton Athletic Association join the MSO in Kicking off Hopkinton's Boston Marathon Week~ 2008**

**[Hopkinton, MA] (March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008)** — The *Boston Athletic Association and the Hopkinton Athletic Association* proudly present Dr Peter L Cokkinias leading the MSO in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual *Boston Marathon Kickoff Concert*. The performance will kick off Hopkinton's *Marathon Week*, a week of events leading up to the 112<sup>th</sup> running of the *Boston Marathon*, the worlds oldest and finest! *Middlesex Savings Bank* is the exclusive Concert Sponsor for this event. The performance will take place in Hopkinton High School's beautiful Auditorium on Sunday, April 13th, 3:00PM, 90 Hayden Rowe Street, Hopkinton, MA.

The unveiling of the newly forged Alfano Sculpture of George V. Brown, Hopkinton's First Citizen of Sport, will highlight the afternoon. George V. Brown's involvement in Boston Marathon, US Olympic, and Ice Hockey is legendary in sport's history.

The *MSO* will perform an array of orchestral masterpieces including *Mars* from the *The Planets*, Stravinsky's *Firebird*, and Suppe's *Light Cavalry Overture*. A guest celebrity "conductor" will make an appearance to lead the symphony in a rousing march.

Our special Guest Artist, Veteran Marathoner and Concert Pianist, Ronald Kmiec, will perform the majestic Tchaikovsky *Piano Concerto No. 1*. This performance will honor Kmiec's 35<sup>th</sup> consecutive running of the *Boston Marathon*.

In collaboration with the *Art Institute of New England*, the *MSO* will play the World Premier of Chris Florio's "Nenikékamen," a piece depicting Greek soldier Pheidippides' legendary run from the plains of Marathon to Athens with the news of the astounding victory over the superior Persian army. Florio will also create a spectacular interactive multimedia presentation to compliment the evening's performance.

Tickets prices are \$15 for Adults, \$6 for Students and Seniors, Children under 12 are always free. They may be purchased at the door or through our website at [www.metrowestsymphony.org](http://www.metrowestsymphony.org). For further information or ticket reservations and purchases, visit our website, or email [tickets@metrowestsymphony.org](mailto:tickets@metrowestsymphony.org).

This concert is presented by the *Hopkinton and Boston Athletic Associations*, the *Hopkinton Chamber of Commerce*, and funded in part by the *Massachusetts Cultural Council*, an agency that funds your local cultural council, and by the generosity of many donors in your community.

The whole family will enjoy this event - come and celebrate Hopkinton's *Marathon Week* kickoff event with the *MSO!*

A splendid time is guaranteed for all!

