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**WHAT:** Virginia Chamber Orchestra Presents  
Winter Concert

**WHEN:** Sunday, March 1st, 2009 at 4 P.M.

**WHERE:** Ernst Community Cultural Center  
Northern Virginia Community College - Annandale Campus  
8333 Little River Turnpike  
Annandale, VA 22003

**FEATURE:** Music Director Luis Haza conducts personal favorites:  
“Chrysanthemums” by Puccini, and music by Mozart, Elgar, Tchaikovsky,  
and Barber.

Free and open to the public, no passes required. Funded by the Music Performance Fund and the Virginia Chamber Orchestra, in cooperation with Local 161-710, American Federation of Musicians.

Free parking. Complimentary reception will follow. Additional information is available at [www.virginiachamberorchestra.org](http://www.virginiachamberorchestra.org) or telephone 703-758-0179.

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## **MAESTRO LUIS HAZA TO CONDUCT PERSONAL FAVORITES**

### **Free VCO Concert: Puccini, Mozart, Elgar, Tchaikovsky, Barber**

Music Director Luis Haza has selected five of his personal favorite works for the Virginia Chamber Orchestra’s Winter Concert on Sunday, March 1st, at 4 P.M. He looks forward to performing these selections with the orchestra before retiring from all of his musical commitments in the metropolitan area and departing at the conclusion of this season. Haza’s highly successful tenure with the Virginia Chamber Orchestra, which has extended over a decade, will be honored at the season finale on May 15th, entitled “Tribute to Maestro Luis Haza”

A program highlight will be Puccini’s rarely heard “Chrysantemi” (Chrysanthemums), a musical gem by a composer best known for his operatic compositions. Maestro Haza has also selected works by Mozart, Elgar, Samuel Barber, and the Élégie from Tchaikovsky’s Serenade in C major, Op. 48.

The concert venue will be the Ernst Community Cultural Center at 8333 Little River Turnpike on the Annandale Campus of the Northern Virginia Community College.

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