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### ***ASO celebrates Valentine's Day with countertenor Thomas Fallon***

***Program includes selections from Le Nozze di Figaro and Die Fledermaus, plus a  
complete performance of Dvořák's Symphony No. 8***

**Alexandria, VA** – On Saturday, February 12, the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra welcomes celebrated countertenor **Thomas Fallon** for a stunning evening of vocal selections from the famous operas of **W. A. Mozart**, **Johann Strauss, Jr.**, and **Gioachino Rossini**. Conducted by ASO Music Director **Kim Allen Kluge**, the program concludes with a performance of **Antonín Dvořák's** ever popular Symphony No. 8, rounding out an evening that is sure to make this Valentine's Day weekend complete.

Fallon is an accomplished vocalist whose talent has earned him numerous accolades. He is the youngest recipient of the F. Lammot Belin Arts Scholarship and was also the winner of Spain's Francisco Vinas International Vocal Competition's Schubert Prize in addition to taking home their award for Best Countertenor. In 1989, he became the first countertenor to win the Luciano Pavarotti International Vocal Competition. In celebration of the romantic holiday, he will be performing aria selections from Mozart's *Le Nozze di Figaro* and *La Clemenza di Tito*, J. Strauss' *Die Fledermaus*, and Rossini's *Semiramide*.

Completed in 1889, Dvořák's Symphony No. 8 remains one of the Czech composer's most admired works. To learn more about its history and that of the other pieces on the program, patrons are encouraged to attend a free preconcert lecture by music historian **Colleen Fay** one hour prior to the start of the concert in the **Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center**.

Patrons should call the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra directly for tickets and information at **703-548-0885**. Tickets can also be purchased online at <http://www.alexsym.org>.

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**The Alexandria Symphony presents Mozart/Rossini Arias and Dvo ák  
Saturday, February 12, 2011, 8:00 p.m.**

Kim Allen Kluge, conductor

Thomas Fallon, countertenor

MOZART: Selections from *Le Nozze di Figaro*

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J. STRAUSS, JR.: Selections from *Die Fledermaus*

ROSSINI: Selections from *Semiramide*

DVOŘÁK: Symphony No. 8 in G major, Op. 88

**The Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center**

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