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University Park, IL– Artists from just about every genre have been celebrating the seasons in song for decades. Simon and Garfunkel shared their *Hazy Shade of Winter* in 1966. Kid Rock made summer famous in his 2008 hit *All Summer Long*. Folk pianist George Winston developed an almost cult-like following for his albums entitled for the seasons. The connection between music and nature has always intrigued and inspired artists.

Now on **January 24 at 4 p.m.** Lyric Opera tenor and long-time supporter of the arts at GSU, John Concepcion, will host and narrate a musical program that not only celebrates the seasons, it illumines a veritable who's who of classical music. **Seasons of Song** features the music of Carlisle Floyd, George Gershwin, Samuel Barber, Franz Schubert, Stephen Sondheim, Oscar Hammerstein, and many others.

Local singers include Rosalind Lee (soprano), Jennifer Kosharsky (mezzo soprano), Geoffrey Agpalo (tenor) and Vince Wallace (bass baritone). Paul Hamilton will accompany the singers at the piano.

For Tickets and Information

Tickets: \$38

Online: CenterTickets.net

By Phone: 708.235.2222

In Person at the Box Office: 1 University Parkway, University Park, IL

Box Office Hours: Monday- Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (open to 6p.m. on Thursdays) & 2 hours prior to all performances.

Parking is free. For best GPS directions always use the location search term "Governors State University" only.

This performance is part of the Center's "Opera Up Close" Series, which brings local artists from the Lyric Opera to the southland for intimate performances where patrons are seated on the stage in the midst of the action. This is the final performance in the series for 2016.