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CONCORDIA CONSERVATORY PRESENTS ITS OPENING MUSICAL ADVENTURES CHILDREN'S CONCERT "THE RETURN OF W.A. SCHUTZINBERRY" ON NOVEMBER 3

Bronxville, NY— Concordia Conservatory presents the first of three concerts of the Musical Adventures for Children concert series, "*The Return of W. A. Schmutzinberry*" by Rami Vamos, with guest artist Walker Lewis and Concordia Conservatory faculty performers on Saturday, November 3, at 11:00 AM at the Schoenfeld Campus Center at Concordia College.

The "*The Return of W. A. Schmutzinberry*" story, with book, music, and lyrics by Rami Vamos, centers on W. A. Schmutzinberry who is trying to compose a string quartet. He meets Brahms and several other characters in the process and, with their musical collaboration, the string quartet is completed.

Conservatory faculty performers include pianist Tom Cuffari, violinists Julie Kurtzman and Yana Goichman, guest artist and actor Walker Lewis, violist Kathryn Lockwood, cellist Laura Metcalfe, and composer, librettist, and guitarist Rami Vamos.

Rami Vamos teaches music for the Mount Vernon City and Pelham School Districts. He is also on the Concordia Conservatory faculty, where he teaches guitar, is an early childhood music teacher at the Conservatory music outreach program and leads the guitar summer camp. Vamos received his bachelor's degree from Oberlin Conservatory, his master's degree at The Yale School of Music in guitar performance, and master's in music education from Queen's College. He is the recipient of The Eliot Fisk Prize and winner of the Rantucci Classical Guitar Competition. His works have also been heard on National Public Radio.

This family concert series of three performances is geared to children ages 2 – 10 and their families. Produced and performed by Concordia Conservatory faculty artists, these three delightful 45-minute performances are designed to educate and entertain.

Subscriptions to the Musical Adventures for Children concert series is \$42 for adults and \$25 for child/senior for all 3 concerts. Single tickets are \$20 adult and \$10 adult/senior. To purchase tickets, call 395-4507 or email: marybeth.stewart@concordia-ny.edu.

Concordia Conservatory's mission is to inspire, instruct and enrich lives through music for all people regardless of age, ethnic origin or financial situation and to serve as a musical education resource for the southern Westchester County community.