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### **Willimantic Orchestra to Perform at Eastern**

**Willimantic, Conn.** – Pianist Gary Chapman will perform with the Willimantic Orchestra at the annual Romantic Willimantic Concert as part of the 2008 Chocolate Festival. The concert will be held at Feb. 17, in Shafer Auditorium, located on the corner of Windham and Valley Streets. Selections include works by composers Rossini, Strauss, Ravel and Hanson. The public is invited. Admission is free; however, donations are accepted.

Chapman is the former dean of the Hartford Camerata Conservatory and currently teaches piano and jazz history at Connecticut College. He has performed as a piano soloist with the New Haven Symphony and the Connecticut Orchestra at Summer Music in Waterford, and as accompanist to soprano Dawn Upshaw. Chapman has also played at London's Wigmore Hall, the 92<sup>nd</sup> Street Y in New York City, and the Spoleto USA festival.

For more information about the Romantic Willimantic Concert, contact Scott Lehmann at (860) 423-5807.

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