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What: Panel Discussion: Poetry and Music: Inspiration and Culmination

When: 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12

Where: Ocean County Library's Toms River branch, 101 Washington St.

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Library Program to Examine the Relationship Between Poetry and Music

TOMS RIVER - Maestro Anthony LaGruth, Artistic Director and Conductor of the Garden State Philharmonic, with a panel of noted scholars, will present an interactive discussion of the many relationships between mankind and classical music at the Ocean County Library's Toms River branch, 101 Washington St., 7 p.m., Thursday, November 12.

Maestro LaGruth will moderate the discussion that includes panelists Heidi Sheridan, Professor of English at Ocean County College; Benjamin Spierman, Artistic Director of The Bronx Opera Company; and New Jersey poet Joe Weil.

The program, "Poetry and Music: Inspiration and Culmination," is part of the "Music in the Mind Humanities Series" that teaches music fans about the historical, academic and social relationships between people and classical music.

"The Music in the Mind Humanities Series" serves to elevate dialogue about the changing roles and perceptions of classical music," said Thomas L. Stephens, Managing Director of the Garden State Philharmonic Symphony Society. "It breaks down the relationships that exist between classical music and other factors."

The program is free and open to the public, but registration is required.

To register, call the Ocean County Library at 732-349-6200 or 609-971-0514 or visit its website www.theoceancountylibrary.org .

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