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BOLTER PREMIERE "IN ALL HEARTS" HONORS FRIENDSHIP AND ICELAND

BOSTON, MA, USA, March 17, 2008 - Trombonist and prolific composer, Norman Bolter, will conduct the world premiere of his latest work, "In All Hearts," on Saturday, April 5, 2008 at 14:00 in Grensakirkja, Reykjavik, Iceland. Bolter's new composition, scored for trombone choir, honors his friendship with former student and principal trombonist of the Iceland Symphony Orchestra, Oddur Bjornsson, and the country of Iceland. Bolter adds, "Knowing I was coming to Iceland and visiting Oddur inspired me to write this piece. As a student in Boston, Oddur would tell me many wonderful stories of his country and its people—and I am happy to say he still does this." The premiered work will be part of an All Bolter Program of music for trombone choir presented in "Open House" format, allowing the audience to witness Bolter as he speaks about his music and works with the musicians, including Bjornsson.

Having recently completed a 32-year tenure with the **Boston Symphony Orchestra**, the 53-year-old Bolter's visit to Iceland marks both a **reunion with Bjornsson** and a full week of musical activities. **Bolter will play in the Iceland Symphony** trombone section earlier in the week and offer **master classes** to orchestra members and students in the days preceding Saturday's "Open House" concert event. Saturday's event also coincides with **International Trombone Week** during which trombonist all over the world synchronize trombone workshops and performances.

In addition to being a world-class trombonist and a conductor, Bolter has received wide recognition as a composer and many prominent artists and ensembles, including the Minnesota Orchestra (Zellmer-Minnesota Orchestra Trombone Competition), Pro Arte Chamber Orchestra and musicians from the New York Philharmonic and Boston Symphony, have commissioned his works.

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