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ROCO Founder and Principal Oboist, Alecia Lawyer, will present a Solo Recital, January 17th, 2010 Part of a series: Dowling Music and River Oaks Chamber Orchestra Present "ROCO in The Recital Room"

ROCO founder and principal oboist, Alecia Lawyer, will present a solo concert on Sunday afternoon, January 17, at 2:15pm, in The Recital Room at Dowling Music, 2615 Southwest Freeway at Kirby Drive.

Alecia Lawyer earned a Bachelor of Music degree at SMU, and a Masters of Music at The Juilliard School, and has a diverse background as a performer, recording artist, adjunct professor, and radio host. In 2009, she was one of the nine finalists for Texas Musician of the Year. In 2005, Alecia created ROCO to dissolve traditional barriers between the orchestra and audience and connect cultures and generations through the language of music.

This recital one in a series. Dowling Music and River Oaks Chamber Orchestra have teamed up to feature ROCO musicians in solo concerts at the beautiful new 100-seat Recital Room adjacent to Dowling Music, at 2615 Southwest Freeway at Kirby Drive. All performances are on Sunday afternoons, at 2:15. Admission is free, and families are welcome.

Dowling Presents "ROCO in The Recital Room" Schedule

- Sunday, September 27 Brian Lewis, violin
- Sunday, November 22 Kana Kimura, violin
- Sunday, January 17 Alecia Lawyer, oboe
- Sunday, February 21 Suzanne LeFevre, viola
- Sunday, March 21 Eric Gronfor, bass
- Sunday, April 11 Maiko Sasaki, clarinet

Soloist bios and additional information may be found at <u>www.rocohouston.org</u>

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About ROCO

The River Oaks Chamber Orchestra is a professional chamber orchestra of 40 all-star musicians, distinguished conductors, and famous composers, who come together from all over the world to present unexpected classics, original compositions, and delightful performances that dissolve the barriers between audience and orchestra. Founded in 2005 by principal oboist, Alecia Lawyer, ROCO is "creating personal relationships through the language of music." www.rocohouston.org

About Dowling Music

Wadler-Kaplan Music Shop opened in 1943 and was Houston's long-time classical sheet music dealer. It was acquired by Pender's Music of Denton in May 2000. Pender's recently closed its Houston branch location. Dowling Music continues the 66-year tradition of these two fine print music establishments. <u>www.dowlingmusic.com</u>