

Rachmaninoff Thrills 2,500 To Open Concert Season

Utica, Oct. 16 — The Great Artists Concert Season opened here last night with a program by Serge Rachmaninoff before 2,500 persons in the Stanley Theater.

The pianist's selections included numbers from Mozart; Beethoven's "Sonata, Opus III"; Schumann's "Novelette" and his own transcription of Bach's "Partita, E Major."

The second part of the program began with Rachmaninoff's own composition "Lilacs." This was followed by "The Trout," Schubert-Liszt. Highlight of the program was Rachmaninoff's rendition of the Schubert-Liszt arrangement of "Serenade." Other selections included the Schumann-Taubert "Contrabandiste"; Chopin-Liszt "Maiden Wish"; Tschaikowsky's "Lullaby"; Kreisler's "Liebesfreud."

For encores the artist obliged with his own best known composition, "The Prelude in G," and the Rimsky-Korsakoff "Flight of the Bumblebee."