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THE CHARLOTTE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA PRESENTS

CODY FRY LIVE IN CONCERT

Led by Resident Conductor Christopher James Lees

Popular Singer/Songwriter and TikTok Phenomenon Cody Fry to Perform His Viral Hits "I Hear A Symphony" and Grammy Nominated Arrangement of "Eleanor Rigby" Plus Songs from His Recently Released Album *The End*

Friday, October 27, 2023, at Knight Theater

October 3, 2023 | Charlotte, NC – Grammy Award nominee Cody Fry brings his singer/songwriter talents and boundary-defying music to the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra for a special one-night-only concert led by Resident Conductor Christopher James Lees on Friday, October 27, 2023, at Knight Theater. Cody Fry's fusion of popular songs and rich orchestrations has made him a viral sensation with hundreds of millions of streams online, sold-out concerts, and the successful release of multiple albums, including his most recent, *The End.*

Backed by the full power of the Charlotte Symphony, Cody Fry will perform his signature songs, including "I Hear A Symphony," which amassed over 200 million global streams and topped the Billboard Classical chart, and his imaginative take on The Beatles' classic "Eleanor Rigby," which earned him a Grammy Award nomination in the category of "Best Arrangement, Instruments and Vocals" and garnered over 50M streams, becoming the #1 classical track in the U.S.

Tickets

Tickets for Cody Fry Live in Concert are available now at <u>charlottesymphony.org</u>. For press tickets, contact Deirdre Roddin at 704-714-5112 or <u>droddin@charlottesymphony.org</u>.

About Cody Fry

Cody Fry's music sounds like the moment in your favorite old flick when the film changes from black-and-white to Technicolor in a rush of emotion. As his orchestration booms, you practically expect a Golden Age romance to unfold to the narration of his vocals. It's warm enough to make you nostalgic, but Cody always looks forward as a singer, songwriter, composer, producer, arranger, and multi-instrumentalist. It's why he's quietly emerged as a phenomenon with hundreds of millions of streams, hundreds of thousands of TikTok creations, and widespread acclaim. It's why he's picked up a GRAMMY® Award nomination and sold out countless

shows. It's also why you might just fall in love with him on his 2023 debut album for Decca Records US, *The End*.

After graduating from Belmont University, gigs with the likes of Ben Rector and Hunter Hayes, and countless compositions for film, television, technology, video games, and fashion, Cody attracted a devout audience. During 2021, his song "I Hear A Symphony" soared to the forefront of popular culture, surging to unprecedented virality on TikTok. It eventually eclipsed 200 million global streams and counting, hitting #1 on the Billboard Classical Tracks chart and becoming a Certified Gold Single in the U.S. and Canada. On its heels, he reimagined The Beatles classic "Eleanor Rigby," garnering a GRAMMY® Award nomination in the category of "Best Arrangement, Instruments and Vocals" with over 50M streams and becoming the #1 classical track in the U.S.

Now, *The End* represents the culmination of not only his creative evolution, but also his personal journey so far, exploring themes such as mental health and change as told through the likes of "What If" and "Waltz For Sweatpants."

About the Charlotte Symphony

One of the premier music organizations in the Southeastern United States and the oldest operating symphony orchestra in the Carolinas, the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra (CSO) connects with more than 130,000 music lovers each year through its lively season of concerts, broadcasts, community events, and robust educational programs. The CSO is committed to its mission of uplifting, entertaining, and educating the diverse communities of Charlotte-Mecklenburg and beyond through exceptional musical experiences. The CSO employs 65 professional full-time orchestra musicians, fosters three youth orchestras, and offers significant educational support aimed at serving the under-resourced areas of our community. Founded in 1932, the Charlotte Symphony plays a leading cultural role in the Charlotte area and serves the community as a civic leader, reflecting and uniting our region through the transformative power of live music.

Event Listing

Cody Fry Live in Concert

Knight Theatre Friday, October 27, 2023, at 7:30 p.m.

Christopher James Lees, conductor Cody Fry, special guest

Nashville-based singer/songwriter Cody Fry took the internet by storm with his viral TikTok sensation "I Hear a Symphony." Now the Grammy-nominated artist is bringing his fusion of popular songs and rich orchestration to the Charlotte Symphony!

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