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CHARLOTTE SYMPHONY CELEBRATES 20 YEARS OF MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS

December 1, 2016 | CHARLOTTE, NC — Snow is predicted to fall December 9-11 in Belk Theater at Blumenthal Performing Arts Center as the Charlotte Symphony celebrates 20 years of Magic of Christmas!

[Magic of Christmas](#) is an exciting holiday spectacle for the whole family. Animated conductor Albert-George Schram will lead a diverse cast including the 140-member Charlotte Symphony Chorus and Charlotte Children's Choir of Community School of the Arts, as they team up with the orchestra for favorites from "O Come, All Ye Faithful" to "We Need a Little Christmas."

Gospel singer Marsaisa Byrd will bring down the house with moving renditions of "Mary, Did You Know?" and "O Holy Night," and a Loch Norman Pipe Band trio and the Ivey Handbell Ringers will join in the fun, too.

NEW HIGHLIGHTS include "Sleigh Ride" **conducted by Santa himself** and a happy holiday singalong. Come early to snap a selfie with Santa in the lobby and **snow will fall in Belk Theater!**

Magic of Christmas performances are as follows:

Friday, December 9, 8 p.m.

Saturday, December 10, 11 a.m. – a one-hour performance perfect for young children

Saturday, December 10, 8 p.m.

Sunday, December 11, 2:30 p.m. – matinee

Audience members are encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped gift to the theater to help Toys for Tots bring joy to children in need this holiday season. Look for the donation bins in the lobby.

About the Charlotte Symphony

Founded in 1932 and led by internationally renowned Music Director Christopher Warren-Green, the Charlotte Symphony is a non-profit organization that serves the community through music that educates, entertains, and enriches the human spirit. We are world-class musicians, music teachers, and music lovers. We put violins in the hands of Charlotte's children and actively nurture the next generation

with our music education programs. The Charlotte Symphony is a cornerstone of the cultural community, connecting people and adding value to their lives through music. charlottesymphony.org

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