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**Charlotte Symphony Announces Updates to
2024 SUMMER POPS, Presented by Novant Health****Four Concerts at Symphony Park
“Sonidos Latinos: Latin Sounds,” “A Juneteenth Celebration,”
“Music from the Movies,” and “Celebrate America!” with Fireworks****Sundays, June 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2024**

MAY 29, 2024 | Charlotte, N.C. – The Summer Pops series, presented by Novant Health, returns to Symphony Park next month with four concerts led by Resident Conductor Christopher James Lees. Summer Pops concerts have become an iconic summer experience in the community, bringing together tens of thousands of residents to share food, stirring music, and fireworks under the stars with family and friends. This summer, the CSO celebrates 41 years of this storied Charlotte tradition.

Sonidos Latinos: Latin Sounds

Sunday, June 9, 2024

Feel the heat of the vibrant rhythms and melodies of Latin music, performed by your Charlotte Symphony! Experience the passion and energy of music by iconic Latin composers and works inspired by the rich tapestry of Latin sounds. **Prelude performance by UltimaNota. The evening will be emceed by Hector Cortes, known as "Sombrero Man," head capo for Charlotte Football Club supporters section.**

Additionally, artist Rosalía Torres-Weiner will bring her 24-foot art truck, Red Calaca Mobile Art Studio, to engage with the public through art. Torres-Weiner, who designed the new CSO Roadshow mobile stage with vibrant illustrations titled “Road to Joy,” is a creative force known for her work combining art and activism. Her work has been featured in the Smithsonian National Museum of American History, on the cover of National Geographic, and in history books. To learn more about Rosalía Torres-Weiner, visit redcalacastudio.com.

A Juneteenth Celebration

Sunday, June 16, 2024

Celebrate Juneteenth with your Charlotte Symphony as we honor African American musical heritage and unite in the spirit of freedom with works by Scott Joplin, Louis Armstrong, and more. **Due to a scheduling conflict, 5-year-old rapper VanVan, previously announced as part of A Juneteenth Celebration, will be unable to participate. Prelude performance by the Charlotte Symphony Youth Orchestra. The evening will be emceed by Dedrick Russell, longtime WBTV journalist and QC@3 Co-Host.** This event is proudly promoted in

partnership with the BlackNotes Project.

Music from the Movies

Sunday, June 23, 2024

Bring the whole family to relive magical musical moments from some of the greatest films of all time! Gather under the stars at Symphony Park for inspiring and unforgettable music from The Lord of the Rings, Star Trek, Star Wars, and more. **Prelude performance TBD.**

Celebrate America!

Sunday, June 30, 2024

Join your Charlotte Symphony for a stirring salute to America featuring patriotic favorites and iconic tunes that highlight our country's diverse musical heritage — all topped off with a spectacular fireworks finale! **Prelude performance by the Charlotte Bluegrass Allstars.**

In addition, the Charlotte Fire Department's mascot dog, Blaze, and a fire truck will be present to engage with the public.

Food Trucks and Vendors

Each concert will feature a selection of food trucks and beverage vendors:

Sonidos Latinos: Latin Sounds

- Tacos El Thor
- PoppyCox CLT
- The Social Cow
- Kona Ice
- The Olde Mecklenburg Brewery
- Suffolk Punch Brewing

A Juneteenth Celebration

- Mariah's Taco Spot
- Q's Culinary Cart
- The Social Cow
- Kona Ice
- The Olde Mecklenburg Brewery
- Suffolk Punch Brewing

Music from the Movies

- Cousins Maine Lobster
- TIN Kitchen
- The Social Cow
- Kona Ice

- The Olde Mecklenburg Brewery
- Suffolk Punch Brewing

Celebrate America!

- PoppyCox CLT
- Kona Ice
- The Social Cow
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Summer Pops concerts are held at Symphony Park at SouthPark Mall, 4400 Sharon Road. Gates open at 5:00 p.m. Prelude performances begin at 7:00 p.m. Charlotte Symphony performances begin at 8:15 p.m. Parking is free. Visit our [FAQ page](#) for details about what to bring, parking, accessibility, and more.

Tickets

Tickets for Summer Pops are on sale now at charlottesymphony.org/summer. Pre-purchased general admission tickets for “Sonidos Latinos: Latin Sounds,” “A Juneteenth Celebration,” and “Music from the Movies” are \$15 for adults and \$5 for youth (Ages 13–18). “Celebrate America” is \$18 for adults and \$5 for youth. Children 12 and under are free but will need a ticket to attend. Prices increase for day-of purchases. Call Patron Services at (704) 972-2000 to learn how to purchase reserved lawn spaces, Monday through Friday, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm.

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.

All programs, vendors, and artists are subject to change.

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