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**CHARLOTTE SYMPHONY PRESENTS
BEETHOVEN MEETS '90s VIBE
A Night at the Symphony Featuring ORCHESTRA NOIR**

Friday, May 15, 2020

March 9, 2020 | Charlotte, NC – The Charlotte Symphony will partner with local producer Michael Kitchen of Sol Kitchen to present *Beethoven Meets '90's Vibe: A Night at the Symphony* featuring the renowned Orchestra Noir. This one-night-only concert will bring you the best of 90's R&B and hip hop — LL Cool J, Biggie Smalls — and Beethoven!

Conductor Jason Ikeem Rodgers, founder and music director of Orchestra Noir, will lead this exciting and innovative concert on Friday, May 15, 2020 at 8:00 p.m. at the Knight Theater at Levine Center for the Arts.

The program will feature selections from Beethoven's *Fidelio*, *Egmont*, and Symphonies Nos. 5 and 7 alongside music by R&B and hip hop icons like TLC, LL Cool J, Naughty by Nature, Biggie Smalls, MC Hammer, and more. Plus, an epic play-off battle between the orchestras and DJ.



Founded in 2016 by Maestro Jason Ikeem Rodgers, Orchestra Noir aims to celebrate the cultural achievements of African-American music pioneers across all genres of music, including Classical, hip hop, and R&B. The orchestra has gained critical and commercial acclaim by successfully fusing classical music with pop culture and bringing orchestral music to diverse, younger audiences in grand and spectacular fashion.

Tickets start at \$59 and are available through the Charlotte Symphony ticket office at 704-972 2000, or online at charlottesymphony.org.

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About the Charlotte Symphony

Founded in 1932, the Charlotte Symphony is a longstanding nonprofit organization committed to connecting and strengthening the community through exceptional musical experiences. Led by internationally renowned Music Director Christopher Warren-Green, the Symphony upholds the highest artistic integrity and takes bold steps to engage the community through music. We employ professional full-time orchestra musicians, support two youth orchestras, and offer significant educational programming aimed at improving underserved sections of our community. The Charlotte Symphony is integral to the Charlotte area, serving its community through music that connects and inspires. charlottesymphony.org

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