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**CHARLOTTE SYMPHONY KICKS OFF 85TH SEASON WITH
FREE SEASON PREVIEW CONCERT**

AUGUST 24, 2016 | CHARLOTTE, NC – Sample the Charlotte Symphony at [Symphony On Tap](#), a free season preview concert, Thursday, September 22 at Belk Theater at Blumenthal Performing Arts Center.

Symphony On Tap, presented by Wells Fargo, will give the community a chance to spend a relaxed evening with the Charlotte Symphony, sampling what's in store for its exciting 85th season.

Music Director Christopher Warren-Green will conduct the casual, hour-long concert that will include selections from across the Symphony's upcoming Classical, Pops, and newly announced altsounds series.

Selections will include works by Tchaikovsky and Prokofiev, as well as an original work composed by local Grammy Award-winning violinist Mark O'Connor, and selections from the Pops series by The Beatles and John Williams.

The concert will begin at 7 p.m. with Copland's "Fanfare for the Common Man," outside on the plaza in front of Belk Theater. The concert inside on stage will begin at 7:30 p.m.

In honor of the Charlotte Symphony's 85 years, Wells Fargo's Duke Energy Center will light up in Symphony colors on Thursday, September 22.

For photos from last year's event, click [here](#).

Symphony On Tap is presented by Wells Fargo and Charlotte Center City Partners.

About the Charlotte Symphony

Founded in 1932 and led by internationally acclaimed Music Director Christopher Warren-Green, the Charlotte Symphony is a nonprofit arts organization that serves community through music that entertains, educates, and enriches the human spirit. The largest arts organization in the surrounding area, we are a full-time orchestra employing diverse, world-class musicians. We are music teachers, putting instruments in the hands of Charlotte's children and actively nurturing the next generation of music lovers. The Charlotte Symphony is a cornerstone of the cultural community, connecting people through the power of music. For more information on the Charlotte Symphony its programming, visit charlottesymphony.org.

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