

# THE CHARLOTTE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA ANNOUNCES THE RETURN OF THE OFFICIAL HARRY POTTER FILM CONCERT SERIES WITH HARRY POTTER AND THE CHAMBER OF SECRETS™ IN CONCERT

Audiences will experience the second chapter of the Harry Potter Film Concert Series with the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra performing John Williams' music from the film live to picture

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WEDNESDAY MARCH 5 – CHARLOTTE, NC – The Harry Potter Film Concert Series returns to the Belk Theater with Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets in Concert, the second film in the Harry Potter series. On Friday, June 6 and Saturday, June 7, Shih-Hung Young will conduct the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra performing John Williams' unforgettable score live from Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets while the entire film plays in high-definition on a 40-foot screen.



Warner Bros. Discovery Global Experiences and <u>CineConcerts</u> created the *Harry Potter* Film Concert Series, the only official global concert tour celebrating the *Harry Potter* films. Since the world premiere of *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* in Concert in 2016, more than 3 million fans have enjoyed this magical experience, which is scheduled

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to include over 2,973 performances across more than 48 countries worldwide through 2025.

In *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*, cars fly, trees fight back and a mysterious house-elf comes to warn Harry Potter at the start of his second year at Hogwarts. Adventure and danger await when bloody writing on a wall announces: *The Chamber of Secrets has been opened*. To save Hogwarts will require all of Harry, Ron and Hermione's magical abilities and courage.

Earning a Grammy nomination for the score, the incredible music composed by John Williams became an instant classic, conjuring beautiful and soaring motifs continuing the adventures of Harry Potter on his magical journey.

Justin Freer, President of CineConcerts and Producer/Conductor of the *Harry Potter* Film Concert Series explains, "The *Harry Potter* film series is a once-in-a-lifetime cultural phenomenon that continues to delight millions of fans around the world. It is with great pleasure that we bring fans for the first time ever an opportunity to experience the award-winning music scores played live by a symphony orchestra, all while the beloved film is simultaneously projected onto the big screen. This is truly an unforgettable event."

Brady Beaubien of CineConcerts and Concert Producer for the *Harry Potter* Film Concert Series added, "*Harry Potter* is synonymous with excitement around the world and we hope that by performing this incredible music with the full movie, audiences will continue to celebrate the wizarding world."

Tickets are available at <u>charlottesymphony.org</u>.

For more information on the official *Harry Potter* Film Concert Series, please visit <a href="https://www.harrypotterinconcert.com">www.harrypotterinconcert.com</a>.

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About Charlotte Symphony Orchestra The Charlotte Symphony Orchestra (CSO) is one of the premier music organizations in the Southeastern United States and the oldest continuously operating symphony orchestra in the Carolinas. As Charlotte's most active performing arts group, the CSO presents around 150 concerts each season, reaching more than 130,000 music lovers. The CSO is committed to its mission of uplifting, entertaining, and educating the diverse communities of Charlotte-Mecklenburg and beyond through exceptional musical experiences. Led by Music Director Kwamé Ryan, the CSO employs 65 professional full-time orchestra musicians, fosters four 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.

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<u>CineConcerts</u> is one of the leading producers of live and digital music experiences performed with visual media, and continues to redefine entertainment. Founded by Producer/Conductor Justin Freer and Producer/Writer Brady Beaubien, CineConcerts will engage over 4.8 million people worldwide in concert presentations in over 3,000 performances in 48 countries through 2025 and recently launched <u>CineConcerts +PLUS</u> - a global digital network and app suite with hundreds of exclusive podcast episodes and produced content. CineConcerts continues to work with some of the most prestigious orchestras and venues in the world including the Chicago Symphony Orchestra,

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Cleveland Orchestra, London Philharmonic, Los Angeles Philharmonic, New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, Philharmonia Orchestra, and more. Recent and current <u>live and digital concert experiences</u> include <u>Elf in Concert</u>, <u>The Pinball Concert</u> (Digital), <u>The Polar Express in Concert</u>, <u>Rudy in Concert</u>, <u>The Passion of the Christ in Concert</u>, <u>The Da Vinci Code in Concert</u>, <u>The Harry Potter Film Concert Series</u>, <u>Gladiator Live</u>, <u>The Godfather Live</u>, <u>It's a Wonderful Life in Concert</u>, <u>DreamWorks Animation In Concert</u>, <u>Star Trek: The Ultimate Voyage 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert Tour</u>, <u>Breakfast at Tiffany's in Concert</u>, and <u>A Christmas Dream Live</u>.

#### About Warner Bros. Discovery Global Experiences (WBDGE)

Warner Bros. Discovery Global Experiences (WBDGE) is a worldwide leader in the creation, development, licensing and operating of location-based entertainment based on the biggest franchises, stories, and characters from Warner Bros.' world-renowned film, television, animation, and games studios, HBO, Discovery, Cartoon Network and more. WBDGE is home to the groundbreaking locations of The Wizarding World of Harry Potter at Universal theme parks around the world, award-winning Warner Bros. Studio Tour locations in London, Hollywood, and Tokyo, the iconic Harry Potter New York flagship store, Warner Bros. World Abu Dhabi, The WB Abu Dhabi, The FRIENDS Experience, The Game of Thrones Studio Tour and countless other experiences inspired by Harry Potter, DC, Looney Tunes, Scooby-Doo, Game of Thrones, FRIENDS and more. WBDGE is part of Warner Bros. Discovery's Revenue & Strategy division.

#### **About Wizarding World**

From the moment eleven-year-old Harry Potter met Rubeus Hagrid, Keeper of Keys and Grounds at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, his adventures have left an indelible mark on popular culture. Today, over 25 years later, the Harry Potter phenomenon thrives as one of the most successful and best-loved entertainment properties in history.

J.K. Rowling's best-selling Harry Potter novels have been brought to life in an ever-evolving, interconnected universe which is loved by millions of fans worldwide. Eight blockbuster *Harry Potter* films and three epic *Fantastic Beasts* films bring the spellbinding action to life on screen, *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child* mesmerizes on stage, and state-of-the-art video and mobile games from Portkey Games allow players to experience the wizarding world like never before. Fans can proudly showcase their passion through innovative consumer products, and thrill at spectacular location-based experiences - including five theme park lands at Universal Studios locations around the world.

This expanding portfolio of Warner Bros. Discovery-owned Harry Potter and Fantastic Beasts offerings includes ground-breaking touring experiences and events, each developed to celebrate special moments and locations that fans cherish, as well as the Platform 9 3/4 retail shops and iconic flagship store - Harry Potter New York. Wizards, Witches and Muggles alike can also discover something new as they explore behind-the-scenes secrets at Warner Bros. Studio Tour London – The Making of Harry Potter and Warner Bros. Studio Tour Tokyo – The Making of Harry Potter.

With a new HBO Original TV series based on the Harry Potter books on the way, this extended world continues to provide the community with fresh and exciting ways to interact. For its global fans, and for generations to come, it invites everyone in to find the magic for themselves.

For the latest Harry Potter and Fantastic Beasts news and features, visit www.harrypotter.com

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