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Welcome to the 2019-20 Season!

CELEBRATING BEETHOVEN AT 250

Throughout the 2019-20 season, immerse yourself in a celebration of the unprecedented individuality, overwhelming power, and true genius of Ludwig van Beethoven.

During the 250th anniversary of his birth, we celebrate not only Beethoven's works, but the composers that inspired his musical beginnings and musicians that began their journey because of his influence.

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ITZHAK PERLMAN PLAYS MENDELSSOHN

October 5, 2019 7:30 pm | Belk Theater

Christopher Warren-Green, conductor Itzhak Perlman, violin

MENDELSSOHN WALKER SCHUBERT Violin Concerto Lyric for Strings Symphony No. 5

The legendary Itzhak Perlman joins your CSO for the must-hear performance of the season.

HOLIDAYS WITH YOUR CSO



HANDEL'S MESSIAH

December 6 & 7, 2019

7:30 pm | Knight Theater Handel's stunning masterpiece is back by popular demand. "Hallelujah!"



MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS

December 13-15, 2019 December 20-22, 2019

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

December 15, 21, 22, 2019 3 pm | Knight Theater



NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

December 31, 2019

9 pm | Belk Theater

Includes after-party with desserts, champagne, and dancing.

CLASSICAL SERIES

TCHAIKOVSKY PIANO CONCERTO 1

TCHAIKOVSKY Capriccio Italien TCHAIKOVSKY Piano Concerto No. 1 TCHAIKOVSKY Symphony No. 5

Christopher Warren-Green opens the season with some of Tchaikovsky's greatest works, including the First Piano Concerto, full of sweeping melodies and dizzying technical challenges.

STRAVINSKY FIREBIRD

MUSSORGSKY Night on Bald Mountain ELGAR In the South, "Alassio"

The Firebird Suite (1919 version) STRAVINSKY

An enchanted tale that has delighted generations, Stravinsky's *The Firebird* follows the spellbinding story of a prince and princesses caught in a struggle with an ogre, and the fantastic Firebird who saves them.

Friday, September 27, 2019 Saturday, September 28, 2019

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

Sunday, September 29, 2019

3 pm | Knight Theater

Christopher Warren-Green, conductor Inon Barnatan, piano

Friday, October 18, 2019 Saturday, October 19, 2019

7:30 pm | Belk Theater

Christopher Warren-Green, conductor

DEBUSSY PRELUDE TO THE AFTERNOON OF A FAUN

DEBUSSY Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun **MOZART** Violin Concerto No. 5. "Turkish"

Symphony No. 2 **BRAHMS**

Distinguished Austrian conductor Hans Graf leads the orchestra in a program of sunny favorites anchored by Debussy's famous Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun.

Friday, November 8, 2019 Saturday, November 9, 2019

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

Hans Graf, conductor Angelo Xiang Yu, violin

DVOŘÁK'S NEW WORLD SYMPHONY

SCHUMANN Overture to Manfred

BRAHMS Variations on a Theme of Havdn

DVOŘÁK Symphony No. 9

"From the New World"

The "New World" Symphony, composed while Dvořák was living in America, fuses the music of his Bohemian roots with tuneful impressions of a fascinating new world full of new sounds.

Friday, November 22, 2019 Saturday, November 23, 2019

7:30 pm | Belk Theater

llyich Rivas, conductor



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BEETHOVEN'S EMPEROR

BEETHOVEN Leonore Overture No. 3

SIBELIUS Symphony No. 7

BEETHOVEN Piano Concerto No. 5, "Emperor"

Majestic, striding, and tender, Beethoven's "Emperor" Concerto is not only a crowning achievement among Beethoven's compositions, but among all the piano concertos written before or since.

Friday, January 10, 2020 Saturday, January 11, 2020

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

Sunday, January 12, 2020

3 pm | Knight Theater

Christopher Warren-Green, conductor Conrad Tao, piano

COPLAND APPALACHIAN SPRING

COPLAND Appalachian Spring
BARBER Adagio for Strings
BRITTELLE We're Still Here

A portrait of America is captured in this program featuring Barber's iconic *Adagio for Strings* and Copland's *Appalachian Spring*, with its memorable melody "Simple Gifts."

Friday, January 31, 2020 Saturday, February 1, 2020

7:30 pm | Belk Theater

Christopher James Lees, conductor

CHOPIN PIANO CONCERTO 1

TCHAIKOVSKY Romeo & Juliet Fantasy Overture
CHOPIN Piano Concerto No. 1
BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 8

Rife with poetry, romance, and irresistible energy, this Romantic program featuring works by Tchaikovsky, Chopin, and Beethoven will make the perfect Valentine's date night. Friday, February 14, 2020 Saturday, February 15, 2020

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

Sunday, February 16, 2020

3 pm | Knight Theater

Christopher Warren-Green, conductor Gabriela Martinez, *piano*

BEETHOVEN'S MISSA SOLEMNIS

BEETHOVEN Missa Solemnis

Monumental and deeply affecting, *Missa Solemnis* ranges from moments of calmness and purity, to thundering passages, operatic intensity, and war-like trumpets and drums.

Friday, March 6, 2020 Saturday, March 7, 2020

7:30 pm | Belk Theater

Christopher Warren-Green, conductor Christina Pier, soprano Sarah Mesko, mezzo-soprano Yeghishe Manucharyan, tenor Michael Sumuel, bass

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SAINT-SAËNS ORGAN SYMPHONY

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MOZART Symphony No. 39

SAINT-SAËNS Symphony No. 3, "Organ"

Inspired by Beethoven's Fifth Symphony, the resoundingly beautiful "Organ Symphony" by Saint-Saëns electrifies with its expressive originality.

Friday, March 20, 2020 Saturday, March 21, 2020

7:30 pm | Belk Theater

Christopher Warren-Green, conductor James R. Jones, organ

BEETHOVEN'S PASTORAL

KODALY Dances of Galánta

BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 6, "Pastoral"

Evoking his love of living in nature, Beethoven's Pastoral brings life to rolling thunder and the calling of a shepherd's pipes.

Friday, April 3, 2020 Saturday, April 4, 2020

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

Sunday, April 5, 2020 3 pm | Knight Theater

JoAnn Falletta, conductor

BACH BRANDENBURG CONCERTOS

BACH Brandenburg Concertos No. 2 & 3

HANDEL Suite from Terpsichore

HAYDN Overture to *The Uninhabited Island*

MOZART Ballet Music from *Idomeneo*

Dazzlingly inventive, virtuosic, and exuberant, Bach's Brandenburg Concertos are among the greatest works of the Baroque era.

Friday, April 17, 2020 Saturday, April 18, 2020

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

Jeannette Sorrell, conductor

BRAHMS DOUBLE CONCERTO

SMITH Field Guide

BRAHMS Concerto for Violin and Cello

BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 4

The series closes with a "bravo!" for Beethoven, as Christopher Warren-Green leads the orchestra in the vivacious Symphony No. 4 and Brahms' dramatic and virtuosic Concerto for Violin and Cello.

Friday, May 1, 2020 Saturday, May 2, 2020

7:30 pm | Belk Theater

Christopher Warren-Green, conductor Simone Porter, violin Joshua Roman, cello



The music of your life.

SINATRA AND BEYOND

In this critically-acclaimed tribute the legend of Ol' Blue Eyes, crooner Tony DeSare delivers a fresh take on old-school classics like "Come Fly with Me," "New York, New York," and more.

Friday, September 20, 2019 Saturday, September 21, 2019

7:30 pm | Knight Theater Tony DeSare, *vocalist*

PATRIOTIC POPS

This Veteran's Day weekend, your Charlotte Symphony pays tribute to the wonderful country we live in and the brave men and women who fight to protect our freedom.

Friday, November 15, 2019 Saturday, November 16, 2019

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS

Delight in the wonder of the holiday season at the annual Magic of Christmas! Families have been making this Charlotte Symphony celebration a part of their holiday traditions for over 20 years.

Friday, December 13, 2019 Saturday, December 14, 2019

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

TOTALLY '80s

Break out those Members Only jackets, stirrup pants and shoulder pads and hold on to your hairspray – we're going Totally '80s! Featuring the greatest hits from the raddest decade around, including chart-toppers by Sting, Elton John, Cyndi Lauper, and more.

Friday, January 24, 2020 Saturday, January 25, 2020

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

007: THE BEST OF JAMES BOND

The name's Bond...James Bond. Over two dozen Bond films spanning five decades have produced some of the greatest movie music of our time. The CSO presents the best of Bond, from the iconic Theme Song to the sultry "Nobody Does it Better."

Friday, March 27, 2020 Saturday, March 28, 2020

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

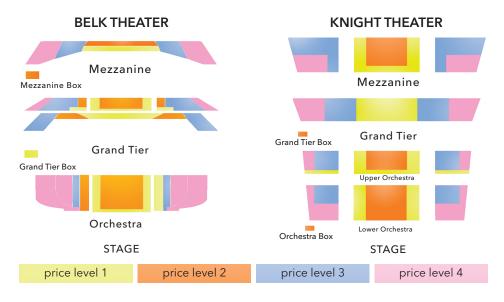
BROADWAY FAVORITES

This exciting program will showcase the best performers and music from the stages of Broadway, including selections from *Les Misérables* like "I Dreamed A Dream" and "Bring Him Home."

Friday, May 8, 2020 Saturday, May 9, 2020

7:30 pm | Knight Theater

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BEETHOVEN'S PASTORAL April 3-5					
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