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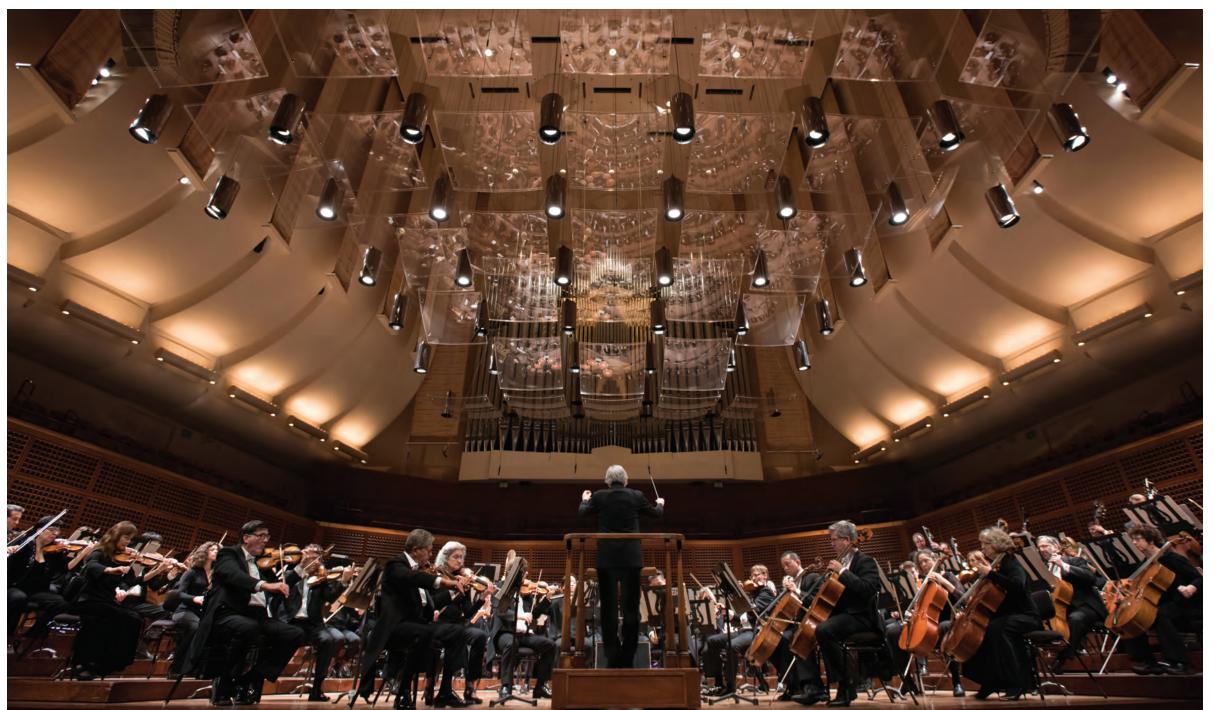


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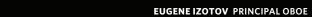
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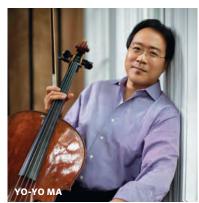
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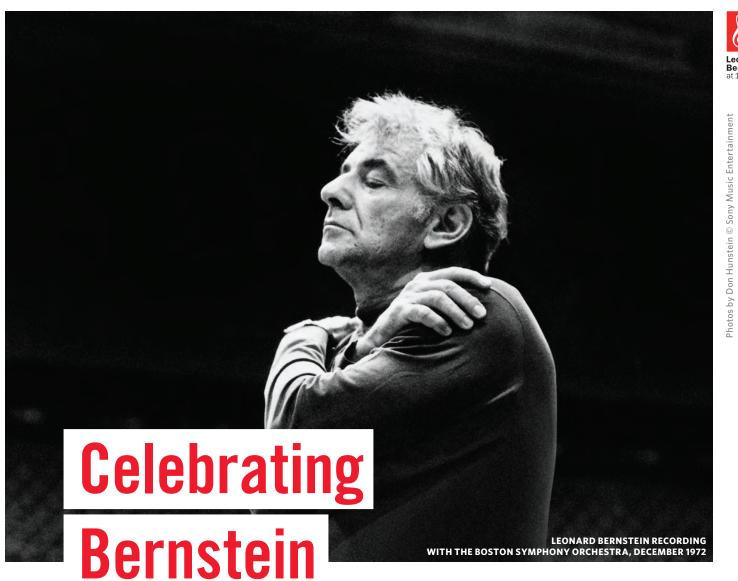
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Stéphane Denève Conducts Saint-Saëns and Connesson (France)

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#### IUN 7-9

Susanna Mälkki Conducts Saariaho (Finland)

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#### SEASON HIGHLIGHTS



Experience your favorite films like never before at Davies Symphony Hall. With the orchestra performing the score live and the film projected on the big screen, movie night at the Symphony is a unique and unforgettable way to immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of the cinema.

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#### North By Northwest

FRI DEC 1 | SAT DEC 2

An astounding success upon its release in 1959, North By Northwest remains one of the most popular spy thrillers of all time. Directed by Alfred Hitchcock, the film was nominated for 3 Academy Awards® and is listed by the Writers Guild of America as one of the greatest screenplays ever written. Featuring Bernard Herrmann's score, see this newly restored film orchestrated by Christopher Husted from Herrmann's original manuscripts, including music that wasn't included in the final film.

#### Home Alone

SAT DEC 16 | SUN DEC 17

A true holiday favorite, this beloved comedy classic features renowned composer John Williams' charming and delightful score performed live to picture by the San Francisco Symphony. Macaulay Culkin stars as Kevin McCallister, an 8-year-old boy who's accidentally left behind when his family leaves for Christmas vacation and who must defend his home against two bungling thieves. Hilarious and heart-warming, Home Alone is holiday fun for the entire family!

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#### West Side Story

FRI FEB 2 | SAT FEB 3

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of this iconic film, as the San Francisco Symphony plays Leonard Bernstein's electrifying score live while the re-mastered film is shown on the big screen with the original vocals and dialog intact. Winner of ten Academy Awards®, the film, directed by Robert Wise and Jerome Robbins, features Robbins' choreography, screenplay by Ernest Lehman, book by Arthur Laurents and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim.

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#### Amadeus

FRI APR 6 | SAT APR 7

Follow the story of Mozart's final years in *Amadeus*, winner of eight Academy Awards®, including Best Picture and Best Actor. These performances also feature the Grammy-winning San Francisco Symphony Chorus, reprising their role in the fi m's original soundtrack.

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#### → BERNSTEIN AT 100

#### **Celebrating Bernstein with MTT**

FRIC SATA SUNA

FRI SEP 22 8PM | SAT SEP 23 8PM | SUN SEP 24 2PM

Experience the exuberance, joy, and brilliance of one of the 20th century's greatest composers, Leonard Bernstein. Hear his *Chichester Psalms*, combining Broadway-inspired melodies with sacred texts for chorus and orchestra. Then, the Orchestra performs the vibrant Symphonic Dances from *West Side Story*. Listen for syncopated Latin rhythms laying the scene for an impossible romance between two star-crossed lovers, Tony and Maria, the Romeo and Juliet of 1950s New York City.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Isabel Leonard mezzo-soprano Ryan McKinny bass-baritone Carey Bell clarinet

San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin director San Francisco Symphony

Bernstein Prelude, Fugue, and Riffs Bernstein Chichester Psalms Bernstein Arias and Barcarolles

Bernstein Symphonic Dances from West Side Story

#### MTT Conducts Symphonie fantastique

THU B SAT B SUN B

THU SEP 28 8PM | SAT SEP 30 8PM | SUN OCT 1 2PM

Berlioz's magnificent *Symphonie fantastique* paints a lively picture of the life of an artist who revels and despairs over an unrequited love. Carnival scenes, pastoral interludes, and ghastly dances with witches and sorcerers make this among the most vibrant orchestral music ever written. Also on the program, Jeremy Denk brings his "rhapsodic and poetic" artistry (*The New York Times*) to Bartók's grandiose and brilliant Second Piano Concerto.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Jeremy Denk piano San Francisco Symphony

**Bartók** Piano Concerto No. 2 **Berlioz** *Symphonie fantastique* 

#### Urbański Conducts Shostakovich's Tenth

OPEN FRIE SAT D SUN A

FRI OCT 6 10AM | FRI OCT 6 8PM | SAT OCT 7 8PM | SUN OCT 8 2PM

Returning after a successful debut in the 2015-16 season, young conductor Krzysztof Urbański, hailed as "remarkable" and "gorgeously expressive" (San Francisco Chronicle), conducts Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto performed by Augustin Hadelich. Then, hear Shostakovich's Tenth Symphony which the composer completed just one year after Stalin's death. This orchestral showpiece culminates in a celebratory march representing victory over the oppressive regime.

Krzysztof Urbański conductor Augustin Hadelich violin San Francisco Symphony

Penderecki Threnody for the Victims of Hiroshima Mendelssohn Violin Concerto Shostakovich Symphony No. 10

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#### **George Li in Recital**

GPS A

SUN OCT 8 7:30PM

Pianist George Li presents an incredible program of piano masterworks ranging from Rachmaninoff's dramatic and moving Variations on a Theme by Corelli to the exhilarating Second Hungarian Rhapsody by Liszt. Hear as the young pianist "combines staggering technical prowess, and a sense of command, and depth of expression" (The Washington Post) in a recital that is sure to inspire.

George Li piano

**Haydn** Piano Sonata in B minor **Rachmaninoff** Variations on a Theme by Corelli **Liszt** *Consolation* No. 3

Liszt Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2

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#### **Bohemian Masterworks**

FRI D SAT C SUN B

FRI OCT 13 8PM | SAT OCT 14 8PM | SUN OCT 15 2PM

Janáček's *Taras Bulba* is an epic tone poem depicting the exploits of an aging war hero and his two sons as they grapple with love, honor, and death in war. Hear it alongside Smetana's ode to the Vltava River, or The Moldau, where the music follows the river through Bohemian forests, fields, and meadows, past castles, ancient ruins, peasant weddings, and beautiful river nymphs.

Jakub Hrůša conductor Piotr Anderszewski piano San Francisco Symphony

**Dvořák** *Carnival* Overture **Mozart** Piano Concerto No. 17

Smetana Vltava (*The Moldau*) from *Má Vlast* Janáček *Taras Bulba*, Rhapsody for Orchestra

#### Urbański Conducts Dvořák's Cello Concerto

THU A FRIG SAT B

THU **OCT 19** 8PM | FRI **OCT 20** 8PM | SAT **OCT 21** 8PM

Conductor Krzysztof Urbański leads a program featuring Dvořák's beloved Cello Concerto performed by Sol Gabetta whose "wit, aristocratic poise and elegance" (The Herald) lends itself perfectly to Dvořák's expansive work. Then, hear Mozart's charming overture to his opera The Magic Flute, which tells the fantastic story of a quest for love, the struggle between good and evil, and the enduring power of friendship and brotherhood.

Krzysztof Urbański conductor Sol Gabetta cello San Francisco Symphony

Dvořák Cello Concerto Mozart Overture to *The Magic Flute* Lutosławski Concerto for Orchestra

# Rebellious Genius: Shostakovich's First Symphony

THUM FRIF SATA

THU OCT 26 2PM | FRI OCT 27 8PM | SAT OCT 28 8PM

Experience Shostakovich's First Symphony, a work whose ceaseless energy, sharp turns, and characteristic wit helped the composer forge his distinct musical identity. Also on the program, violinist Baiba Skride brings her "insightful and passionate" playing (The New York Times) to Sibelius' unrelentingly beautiful Violin Concerto.

Osmo Vänskä conductor Baiba Skride violin San Francisco Symphony

Sibelius Finlandia
Sibelius Violin Concerto
Shostakovich Symphony No. 1



#### **Trifonov Plays Chopin in Recital**

**GPS A** 

MON OCT 30 8PM

Experience Chopin the prodigy, virtuoso, and composer in this performance by young Russian pianist Daniil Trifonov. Winner of the Rubinstein and Tchaikovsky Piano Competitions, Trifonov plays music written and inspired by the Master of the Romantic era.

Daniil Trifonov piano

Mompou Variaciones sobre un tema di Chopin Tchaikovsky Un poco di Chopin, Opus 72, no.15 Rachmaninoff Variations on a Theme of Chopin, Opus 22 Chopin Selected Mazurkas Chopin Piano Sonata No. 2

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#### Zubin Mehta Conducts the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra

**GPS B** 

TUE OCT 31 8PM

Zubin Mehta and the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra delight San Francisco audiences in a performance showcasing their characteristic fearlessness, "brightly explosive colors," and "irresistible fervor." (San Francisco Chronicle) Hear this exceptional ensemble and witness one of the final concerts featuring this forty-year musical partnership between conductor and orchestra.

Zubin Mehta conductor Israel Philharmonic Orchestra

Amit Poznansky Footnote, Suite from the Motion Picture Mozart Symphony No. 36, Linz
Schubert Symphony in C major, The Great

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#### → BERNSTEIN AT 100

#### MTT Conducts Bernstein and R. Strauss

OPEN THUC FRID SUNB

THU NOV 2 10AM THU NOV 2 8PM FRI NOV 3 8PM SUN NOV 5 2PM

Inspired by W.H. Auden's eponymous poem, Bernstein's *The Age of Anxiety* follows the story of four people pondering the meaning of life. With the occasional foray into a group dream, boisterous party, plus a nightcap or two, pianist Jean-Yves Thibaudet joins the San Francisco Symphony for this lively work. Then, hear R. Strauss' spectacular *Ein Heldenleben*, an autobiographical account of a hero's valiant journey from the battlefield to a life of peace and contentment.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Jean-Yves Thibaudet piano San Francisco Symphony

**Bernstein** The Age of Anxiety, Symphony No. 2 **R. Strauss** Ein Heldenleben



#### American Masters: Gershwin and More

FRIG SATC SUN A

FRI NOV 10 8PM | SAT NOV 11 8PM | SUN NOV 12 2PM

Experience these gems of American classical music, from Gershwin's rambunctious *An American in Paris* to Ives' intricate Symphony No. 4. With its complex rhythms, Ives' work is considered to be one of his greatest masterpieces.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Christian Reif conductor San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin director

Gershwin An American in Paris Dvořák The American Flag Ives Psalm 90 Ives Symphony No. 4

San Francisco Symphony

#### **Zukerman Plays Beethoven with the SFS**

THUM FRIC SAT D

THU **NOV 16** 2PM | FRI **NOV 17** 8PM | SAT **NOV 18** 8PM

The inimitable Pinchas Zukerman performs Beethoven's Violin Concerto, a work whose opening notes heralded a new era of classical music. Also on the program is lves' Pulitzer Prize-winning Symphony No. 3, evoking the sights and sounds of his childhood through hymns, bells, and songs of the American countryside.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Pinchas Zukerman violin San Francisco Symphony

Wagner Siegfried Idyll Ives Symphony No. 3, The Camp Meeting Beethoven Violin Concerto

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#### MTT Conducts Mahler's Fourth

FRIF SATB SUN A

FRI NOV 24 8PM | SAT NOV 25 8PM | SUN NOV 26 2PM

A charming ode to the composer's memories from his youth, Mahler's Fourth Symphony draws the listener in with its nostalgic nod to a lost past. Also on the program, Berg's Seven Early Songs, sung by soprano Susanna Phillips, a work rife with sentimentality and lush orchestral textures greatly influenced by Mahler himself.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Susanna Phillips soprano San Francisco Symphony

Mozart German Dances, K.509 Berg Seven Early Songs Mahler Symphony No. 4

#### Bach Collegium Japan Plays J.S. Bach's Christmas Oratorio



SAT DEC 9 8PM

Famed for impeccable performances and masterful interpretations of the Baroque repertory, conductor Masaaki Suzuki and the Bach Collegium Japan present J.S. Bach's Christmas Oratorio for their Davies Symphony Hall debut. Hear exquisite cantatas evoking the wonder and glory of Christmas.

Masaaki Suzuki conductor Sherezade Panthaki soprano Jay Carter countertenor Zachary Wilder tenor Dominyk Wörner bass **Bach Collegium Japan** 

J.S. Bach Christmas Oratorio

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#### Handel's *Messiah*



THU DEC 14 8PM | FRI DEC 15 8PM

The Grammy Award-winning San Francisco Symphony Chorus performs Handel's celebrated Messiah in powerful, uplifting harmony. With bright trumpets and the famous "Hallelujah" chorus, the Messiah is an annual holiday favorite and one of the best-loved musical works of all time.

Ragnar Bohlin conductor San Francisco Symphony Chorus San Francisco Symphony

Handel Messiah



#### **Christian Tetzlaff Plays Bach in Recital**



SUN **DEC 17** 7:30PM

Christian Tetzlaff's "eff rtlessly beautiful" playing (The Guardian) lends itself perfectly to J.S. Bach's six Sonatas and Partitas for Solo Violin. Music displaying the violin's full emotional and technical range, hear one of Bach's crowning achievements for solo instrument.

Christian Tetzlaff violin

J.S. Bach Sonatas and Partitas for Solo Violin

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#### **Emanuel Ax Plays Mozart and Schoenberg** with the SFS

OPEN THU A FRIF SAT A

THU JAN 11 10AM | THU JAN 11 8PM | FRI JAN 12 8PM | SAT JAN 13 8PM

Emanuel Ax, "at home in a wide variety of music" with pianism that is "always thoughtful, lyrical, [and] lustrous," (The Washington Post) performs a blockbuster doubleheader of pianos concertos. Then, R. Strauss brings a German legend to life in his lively tone poem, Till Eulenspiegel's Merry Pranks, which follows the story of a spirited and sometimes mischievous hero.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Emanuel Ax piano San Francisco Symphony

Beethoven Leonore Overture No. 3 Mozart Piano Concerto No. 14 **Schoenberg** Piano Concerto

**R. Strauss** Till Eulenspiegel's Merry Pranks





#### "THERE'S MORE OF ME IN THAT PIECE THAN ANYTHING ELSE I'VE DONE.

LEONARD BERNSTEIN ON CANDIDE

#### → BERNSTEIN AT 100

#### MTT Conducts Bernstein's *Candide*

#### FRID SATC SUNB

FRI JAN 19 8PM | SAT JAN 20 8PM | SUN JAN 21 2PM

Follow the misadventures of Candide and his sweetheart Cunégonde in a concert version of Bernstein's wildly popular and eminently hummable comic operetta Candide. With vocal fireworks performed by an internationally renowned cast, hear songs like "Glitter and Be Gay" and "Make Our Garden Grow" featuring MTT and the San Francisco Symphony.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Vocalists to be announced

San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin director San Francisco Symphony

Bernstein Candide

#### The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and Gautier Capucon

SUN **JAN 28** 7:30PM

Drawing upon the vitality of Russian folk music, the spectacular Firebird was an instant success and put Stravinsky on the map as one of the period's most exciting and dynamic composers. Also on the program, Haydn's C major Cello Concerto featuring soloist Gautier Capuçon's "astonishingly beautiful" and "breathtaking" playing. (The Independent)

Charles Dutoit conductor Gautier Capuçon cello **Royal Philharmonic Orchestra** 

**Debussy (arr. Büsser)** Petite Suite Haydn Cello Concerto No. 1 **Stravinsky** The Firebird

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#### The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra Plays *Petrushka*



MON JAN 29 8PM

Few composers have elicited the same combination of awe, ire, and admiration as Stravinsky. Conductor Charles Dutoit and the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra perform Stravinsky's masterpiece of Modernist harmonies and rhythms, Petrushka, on a concert also featuring the vivid, musical pageantry of Respighi's Fountains of Rome.

Charles Dutoit conductor Jean-Yves Thibaudet piano **Royal Philharmonic Orchestra** 

Respighi Fountains of Rome Liszt Piano Concerto No. 2 Stravinsky Petrushka

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#### Beethoven's *Emperor* Concerto

#### OPEN THUC FRIC SAT D

THU FEB 8 10AM | THU FEB 8 8PM | FRI FEB 9 8PM | SAT FEB 10 8PM

Pianist Garrick Ohlsson's "strength, sensitivity, and stylistic insight" (San Francisco Chronicle) is on full display as he performs Beethoven's Emperor Concerto led by San Francisco Symphony Conductor Laureate Herbert Blomstedt. The work's heroic and triumphant character stands in stark contrast to the tumultuous political backdrop of occupied Vienna where Beethoven lived and worked. Also on the program, a masterpiece of Scandinavian music, Stenhammar's Symphony No. 2.

Herbert Blomstedt conductor Garrick Ohlsson piano San Francisco Symphony

Beethoven Piano Concerto No. 5, Emperor **Stenhammar** Symphony No. 2

#### Beethoven's Eroica



THU FEB 15 2PM | FRI FEB 16 8PM | SAT FEB 17 8PM

San Francisco Symphony Conductor Laureate Herbert Blomstedt leads Beethoven's monumental Eroica Symphony. Originally dedicated to Napoleon Bonaparte in commemoration of his opposition to tyranny, Beethoven crossed out the dedication after Bonaparte became a tyrant himself. Heralding a new era of classical music that showcases the orchestra's expressive range, Beethoven's Third is an epic struggle that culminates in a glorious finale celebrating the undying heroic spirit.

Herbert Blomstedt conductor San Francisco Symphony

Mozart Symphony No. 40 Beethoven Symphony No. 3, Eroica

#### Yefim Bronfman in Recital

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SUN FEB 18 7:30PM

Pianist Yefim Bronfman, a "marvel of digital dexterity, warmly romantic sentiment, and jaw-dropping bravura" (Chicago Tribune) performs a recital to include masterpieces by Schumann and Widmann.

Yefim Bronfman piano

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#### → BERNSTEIN AT 100

#### The SFS Celebrates the Bliss of Bernstein

THU B FRIG SAT B

THU FEB 22 8PM | FRI FEB 23 8PM | SAT FEB 24 8PM

Experience the exuberant spirit of Bernstein's music with his Divertimento, a lighthearted and joyful work inspired by the composer's youth. Then, violinist Vadim Gluzman performs one of Bernstein's most lyrical orchestral works, his Serenade. The program concludes with Shostakovich's tremendous Symphony No. 5.

Andrey Boreyko conductor Vadim Gluzman violin San Francisco Symphony

Bernstein Divertimento Bernstein Serenade Shostakovich Symphony No. 5

#### Heras-Casado Conducts Brahms' Symphony No. 1

#### THUC FRIE SATC

THU MAR 1 8PM | FRI MAR 2 8PM | SAT MAR 3 8PM

Conductor Pablo Heras-Casado is joined by Concertmaster Alexander Barantschik for Shostakovich's wild and beautiful Violin Concerto No. 2. The program concludes with Brahms' First Symphony, a work whose opening dramatic sequence leads to expansive lyrical moments and a sweeping melody often compared to Beethoven's "Ode to Joy."

Pablo Heras-Casado conductor Alexander Barantschik violin San Francisco Symphony

Esa-Pekka Salonen Helix Shostakovich Violin Concerto No. 2 Brahms Symphony No. 1

#### Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue*

#### OPEN THU A FRIC SAT D

THU MAR 8 10AM | THU MAR 8 8PM | FRI MAR 9 8PM | SAT MAR 10 8PM

Gershwin's beloved *Rhapsody in Blue*, inspired by the blues and jazz of the roaring twenties, established Gershwin's reputation as a serious composer and has since become one of the most popular American concert works. Also on the program is Rachmaninoff's Symphonic Dances, which features driving rhythms intermingling with lush, romantic melodies. Hear its three movements depicting everything from an austere march and eerie waltz to the final triumph over death.

Edward Gardner conductor Simon Trpčeski piano San Francisco Symphony

**Tippett** Four Ritual Dances from *The Midsummer Marriage* **Gershwin** *Rhapsody in Blue* **Rachmaninoff** Symphonic Dances

# Joshua Bell and the Academy of St Martin in the Fields

**GPS A** 

SUN MAR 11 7:30PM

Violinist Joshua Bell brings his "effortless virtuosity" (The New York Times) to Mozart's spirited Fifth Violin Concerto, performed with the Academy of St Martin in the Fields. Then, experience Beethoven's Pastoral depicting the Austrian countryside's rustic beauty. Listen for the sounds of a babbling brook, the delicate call of the nightingale, and for the warm sun breaking through the clouds after a mighty storm.

Joshua Bell leader and violin
Academy of St Martin in the Fields

Edgar Meyer New Work Mozart Violin Concerto No. 5 Beethoven Symphony No. 6, Pastoral

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#### American Optimism: Copland's Symphony No. 3

#### THUC FRIE SATA

THU MAR 15 8PM | FRI MAR 16 8PM | SAT MAR 17 8PM

Featuring the theme from Fanfare for the Common Man, Copland's Third Symphony evokes grandeur and idealism with its characteristically open sound, lyrical slow movement, and powerful finale. The program is led by Michael Tilson Thomas and opens with Prokofiev's witty and fiendishly difficult Third Piano Concerto performed by Behzod Abduraimov, whose nuanced and powerful playing has critics raving "this is a pianist who has it all." (The Seattle Times)

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Behzod Abduraimov piano San Francisco Symphony

Charles Wuorinen New Work (SFS Commission, World Premiere)
Prokofiev Piano Concerto No. 3
Copland Symphony No. 3

#### MTT Conducts Mahler's Fifth

#### THU B FRIG SAT C SUN B

THU MAR 22 8PM | FRI MAR 23 8PM | SAT MAR 24 8PM | SUN MAR 25 2PM

Experience Mahler's glorious Fifth Symphony, regarded as one of his crowning achievements, conducted by Michael Tilson Thomas. Opening with a dramatic trumpet solo and featuring the hauntingly beautiful Adagietto for strings and harp, the symphony moves from mourning to triumph, reflecting a joyful period in the composer's life. Also on the program, experience Gil Shaham's "formidable technique as well as a big, singing tone and a sunny disposition" (The New York Times) in Berg's Violin Concerto.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Gil Shaham violin San Francisco Symphony

Berg Violin Concerto Mahler Symphony No. 5

#### **Beethoven's Third Piano Concerto**

THUM FRIF SATC

THU **APR 12** 2PM | FRI **APR 13** 8PM | SAT **APR 14** 8PM

Pianist Paul Lewis, acclaimed for his interpretations of Beethoven, performs the composer's exquisite Third Piano Concerto, a work full of triumph, beauty, and wit. Then, hear R. Strauss' *An Alpine Symphony*, a musical travelog of a marvelous expedition through the Alps.

Daniel Harding conductor Paul Lewis piano San Francisco Symphony

**Beethoven** Piano Concerto No. 3 **R. Strauss** *An Alpine Symphony* 



#### **András Schiff in Recital**

GPS B

SUN **APR 15** 7:30PM

Pianist András Schiff's recitals are "among the most memorable...elegant, intimate, now playful, now dramatic, always sincere and honest." (San Francisco Chronicle) His talent and artistry take center stage in an evening featuring Brahms' Eight Piano Pieces, a work that plays with color, character, and meter to present the many facets of Brahms' musical genius.

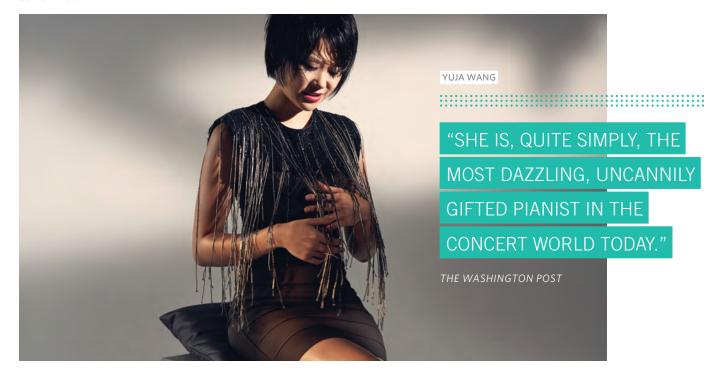
András Schiff piano

Mendelssohn Fantasy in F-sharp minor, Opus 28 Beethoven Piano Sonata in F-sharp major, Opus 78 Brahms Eight Piano Pieces, Opus 76 Brahms Seven Fantasies, Opus 116 Bach English Suite No. 6 in D minor, BWV 811

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CONCERTS / APR-MAY



#### French Greats: Debussy and Ravel



THU APR 19 8PM | FRI APR 20 8PM | SAT APR 21 8PM

Experience a range of French interpretations of classic texts, featuring Ravel's *Daphnis et Chloé* inspired by the ancient Greek tale of two lovers and their adventures. Hear what Ravel described as "a vast musical fresco...faithful to the Greece of my dreams." Also on the program, Ravel's mesmerizing *Shéhérazade* performed by the incomparable mezzo-soprano Susan Graham and led by conductor Charles Dutoit.

Charles Dutoit conductor

Susan Graham mezzo-soprano

San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin director San Francisco Symphony

**Debussy (orch. Ravel)** Sarabande from *Pour le Piano* **Debussy (orch. Ravel)** Danse

Ravel Shéhérazade Ravel Daphnis et Chloé

#### Cosmic Wonders: Holst's *The Planets*



THU APR 26 10AM | THU APR 26 8PM | FRI APR 27 8PM | SUN APR 29 2PM

Based on ancient astrology, Holst's orchestral suite *The Planets* paints each deity as both human and otherworldly, with flaws, virtues, and fantastic traits. Listen for Mars' quick temper, Jupiter's jovial dance, and Venus' serene tranquility. Charles Dutoit leads a program also featuring pianist Jean-Efflam Bavouzet performing Liszt's Piano Concerto No. 2.

Charles Dutoit conductor
Jean-Efflam Bavouzet piano
Women of the San Francisco Symphony Chorus,
Ragnar Bohlin director
San Francisco Symphony

Nicolai Overture to The Merry Wives of Windsor Liszt Piano Concerto No. 2 Holst The Planets

The April 29 concert benefits the Orchestra's pension fund.

#### **Brahms' Violin Concerto with Ray Chen**

#### THUC FRIC SAT B

THU MAY 3 8PM | FRI MAY 4 8PM | SAT MAY 5 8PM

Juraj Valčuha leads Prokofiev's Third Symphony, an audacious work whose opening chords immediately plunge the listener into a stormy drama alleviated only by moments of delicate contemplation and elegant beauty. Also on the program, rising star violinist Ray Chen performs Brahms' virtuosic and boisterous Violin Concerto.

Juraj Valčuha conductor Ray Chen violin San Francisco Symphony

Andrew Norman Unstuck Brahms Violin Concerto Prokofiev Symphony No. 3

#### Yuja Wang in Recital



SUN MAY 6 7:30PM

Yuja Wang performs a recital combining her characteristic "feats of superhuman technical agility" with "an equally dazzling degree of emotional depth." (San Francisco Chronicle)

Yuja Wang piane

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#### Gautier Capuçon and *Pines of Rome*

OPEN THU A FRID SAT A

THU MAY 10 10AM | THU MAY 10 8PM | FRI MAY 11 8PM | SAT MAY 12 8PM

Bringing his characteristic impassioned and eloquent playing, Gautier Capuçon performs Saint-Saëns' First Cello Concerto led by acclaimed conductor Stéphane Denève. Respighi's *Pines of Rome* closes this program with its vivid Roman scenes, from children playing near a Renaissance villa to hymns echoing through the halls of the ancient catacombs.

**Stéphane Denève** conductor **Gautier Capuçon** cello **San Francisco Symphony** 

Ibert Escales
Saint-Saëns Cello Concerto No. 1

**Guillaume Connesson** *E chiaro nella valle il fiume appare* **Respighi** *Pines of Rome* 

#### Itzhak Perlman with the SFS

SAT C GPS

SAT MAY 19 8PM | SUN MAY 20 2PM

Violinist and conductor Itzhak Perlman leads the San Francisco Symphony in a program featuring J.S. Bach's Concerto for Oboe and Violin with Principal Oboe Eugene Izotov. With a gracious Allegro, expansive slow movement, and a vigorous finale, hear the unmatched artistry of these two exceptional musicians performing Bach's charming concerto.

Itzhak Perlman conductor and violin Eugene Izotov oboe San Francisco Symphony

J.S. Bach Concerto in D minor for Oboe, Violin, and Orchestra Tchaikovsky Serenade for Strings Elgar *Enigma* Variations

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#### **Gerstein Plays Brahms with the SFS**

#### FRIF SAT D

FRI **MAY 25** 8PM | SAT **MAY 26** 8PM

Pianist Kirill Gerstein brings his "extraordinary technique and musicianship" (Chicago Classical Review) to Brahms' Piano Concerto No. 1. Hear this work that opens with mighty force, settles into spiritual contemplation, and concludes with a jaunty finale. Also on the program, one of Haydn's final symphonies.

David Robertson conductor Kirill Gerstein piano San Francisco Symphony

**Brett Dean** *Engelsflügel* **Haydn** Symphony No. 102 **Brahms** Piano Concerto No. 1

# The Labèque Sisters Play Bruch's Concerto for Two Pianos

THUM FRIC SATA

THU MAY 31 2PM | FRI JUN 1 8PM | SAT JUN 2 8PM

The Labèque sisters, "the best piano duet in front of an audience today," (The New York Times) perform Bruch's Concerto for Two Pianos. See this dynamic pair play a work that abounds with a dramatic force that lends itself perfectly to the Labèque's singular vitality and virtuosity. Then, hear Tchaikovsky's Second Symphony, famous for its use of folk songs evoking rustic scenes of the Ukrainian countryside.

Semyon Bychkov conductor Katia and Marielle Labèque piano duo San Francisco Symphony

Taneyev Oresteia Overture Bruch Concerto for Two Pianos Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 2, Little Russian

#### Susanna Mälkki and Hilary Hahn

OPEN THUC FRID SATD

THU JUN 7 10AM | THU JUN 7 8PM | FRI JUN 8 8PM | SAT JUN 9 8PM

Two superstars of classical music, violin virtuoso Hilary Hahn and conductor Susanna Mälkki, join forces to present Tchaikovsky's monumental Violin Concerto. Experience Mälkki's "charismatic and dynamic podium presence" (Chicago Classical Review) along with Hahn's "consistent perfection" (BBC Music Magazine) in a concert also featuring Scriabin's wonderfully mystical The Poem of Ecstasy.

Susanna Mälkki conductor Hilary Hahn violin San Francisco Symphony

Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto Kaija Saariaho Laterna Magica Scriabin The Poem of Ecstasy

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#### MTT Conducts Mussorgsky's Boris Godunov: A Semi-Staged Event

THU B FRIF SUN A

THU JUN 14 8PM | FRI JUN 15 8PM | SUN JUN 17 2PM

Michael Tilson Thomas leads an internationally renowned cast in Mussorgsky's opera. Inspired by Pushkin's Shakespearean tragedy, the work follows the rise and fall of the 16th-century Tsar Boris Godunov in a story underpinned by ambition, power, and betrayal. Don't miss this semi-staged event with original video projections, costumes, scenery, and lighting design that combine to bring Mussorgsky's original orchestration to life.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Stanislav Trofimov (Boris Godunov) bass Maxim Paster (Prince Shuysky) tenor Sergei Skorokhodov (Grigory) tenor Vyacheslav Pochapsky (Varlaam) bass San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin director San Francisco Symphony

Mussorgsky Boris Godunov [Semi-Staged] (1869 Original Version)

#### Trifonov Plays Rachmaninoff with the SFS

THU A FRIG SAT B SUN B

THU JUN 21 8PM | FRI JUN 22 8PM | SAT JUN 23 8PM | SUN JUN 24 2PM

Described as "a marvel" (The Guardian) and "a talent compelling and thrilling enough to lift you right out of your chair," (The Seattle Times) pianist Daniil Trifonov performs Rachmaninoff's electrifying Third Piano Concerto. The program opens with Sibelius' final two symphonies: his Sixth, considered by many to be his finest, and the single-movement Seventh.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Daniil Trifonov piano San Francisco Symphony

Sibelius Symphony No. 6 Sibelius Symphony No. 7 Rachmaninoff Piano Concerto No. 3

#### MTT Conducts Mahler's Third with Sasha Cooke

THUM FRIE SAT D

THU JUN 28 2PM | FRI JUN 29 8PM | SAT JUN 30 8PM

MTT leads the San Francisco Symphony and celebrated mezzo-soprano Sasha Cooke in a performance of Mahler's Third Symphony, a work that calls for more than 200 musicians to fully express the composer's stunning vision of life, death, and redemption.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Sasha Cooke mezzo-soprano

Pacific Bovchoir

Women of the San Francisco Symphony Chorus,

Ragnar Bohlin director San Francisco Symphony

Mahler Symphony No. 3



OCT 26

#### **Rhoda Goldman Thursday Matinee Package**

SIX CONCERTS AT 2PM

Rebellious Genius: Shostakovich's First Symphony

Zukerman Plays Beethoven with the SFS Beethoven's Eroica

Beethoven's Third Piano Concerto

The Labèque Sisters Play Bruch's Concerto

for Two Pianos

MTT Conducts Mahler's Third with Sasha Cooke

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SIX CONCERTS AT 8PM

Celebrating Bernstein with MTT SEP 22 Zukerman Plays Beethoven with the SFS

Beethoven's *Emperor* Concerto FEB 9 Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue MAR 9

Brahms' Violin Concerto with Ray Chen MAY 4 The Labèque Sisters Play Bruch's Concerto JUN 1

for Two Pianos

#### Friday D Package SIX CONCERTS AT 8PM

Bohemian Masterworks OCT 13

MTT Conducts Bernstein and R. Strauss MTT Conducts Bernstein's Candide IAN 19

Beethoven's Eroica FEB 16

Gautier Capuçon and Pines of Rome Susanna Mälkki and Hilary Hahn

#### Friday E Package SIX CONCERTS AT 8PM

Urbański Conducts Shostakovich's Tenth

Handel's Messiah DEC 15

Heras-Casado Conducts Brahms' Symphony No. 1 MAR 2 American Optimism: Copland's Symphony No. 3 MAR 16

Cosmic Wonders: Holst's The Planets APR 27

MTT Conducts Mahler's Third with Sasha Cooke

#### Friday F Package SIX CONCERTS AT 8PM

Rebellious Genius: Shostakovich's First Symphony OCT 27

MTT Conducts Mahler's Fourth NOV 24

Emanuel Ax Plays Mozart and Schoenberg

with the SFS

Beethoven's Third Piano Concerto Gerstein Plays Brahms with the SFS MAY 25

> MTT Conducts Mussorgsky's Boris Godunov: A Semi-Staged Event



#### Friday G Package

SIX CONCERTS AT 8PM

Urbański Conducts Dvořák's Cello Concerto NOV 10 American Masters: Gershwin and More The SFS Celebrates the Bliss of Bernstein FEB 23 MTT Conducts Mahler's Fifth MAR 23 French Greats: Debussy and Ravel APR 20 Trifonov Plays Rachmaninoff ith the SFS **JUN 22** 

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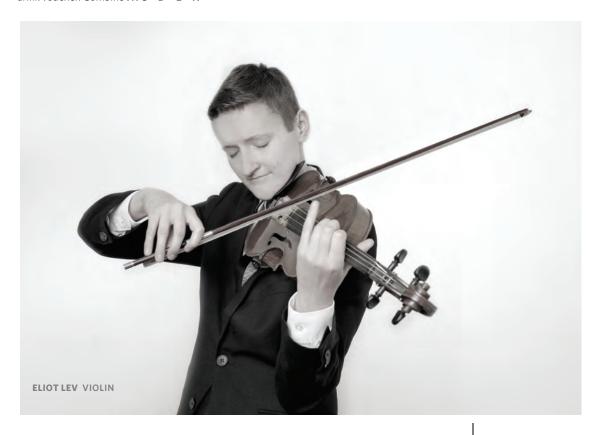
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American Optimism: Copland's Symphony No. 3 MAR 17

Gautier Capuçon and Pines of Rome The Labèque Sisters Play Bruch's Concerto JUN 2

for Two Pianos

#### Saturday B Package

SEVEN CONCERTS AT 8PM

MTT Conducts Symphonie fantastique SEP 30 Urbański Conducts Dvořák's Cello Concerto OCT 21 MTT Conducts Mahler's Fourth NOV 25 The SFS Celebrates the Bliss of Bernstein FFR 24 French Greats: Debussy and Ravel

Brahms' Violin Concerto with Ray Chen MAY 5 Trifonov Plays Rachmaninoff ith the SFS JUN 23

Saturday C Package SEVEN CONCERTS AT 8PM

Bohemian Masterworks OCT 14

American Masters: Gershwin and More NOV 11 MTT Conducts Bernstein's Candide JAN 20

Heras-Casado Conducts Brahms' Symphony No. 1 MAR 3

MTT Conducts Mahler's Fifth MAR 24 APR 14 Beethoven's Third Piano Concerto Itzhak Perlman with the SFS

#### Saturday D Package SEVEN CONCERTS AT 8PM

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Celebrating Bernstein with MTT Urbański Conducts Shostakovich's Tenth American Masters: Gershwin and More NOV 12 MTT Conducts Mahler's Fourth Cosmic Wonders: Holst's The Planets APR 29 MTT Conducts Mussorgsky's Boris Godunov: JUN 17

#### **Sunday Matinee B Package**

SIX CONCERTS AT 2PM

MTT Conducts Symphonie fantastique OCT 1 Bohemian Masterworks

A Semi-Staged Event

MTT Conducts Bernstein and R. Strauss NOV 5 MTT Conducts Bernstein's Candide JAN 21 MAR 25 MTT Conducts Mahler's Fifth

Trifonov Plays Rachmaninoff ith the SFS

#### **Sunday Matinee Z Combo Package**

TWELVE CONCERTS AT 2PM

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#### **PACKAGES**

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## GPS A Great Performers A Package SIX EVENING CONCERTS

ост 8 7:30РМ George Li in Recital

OCT 30 8PM Trifonov Plays Chopin in Recital
DEC 9 8PM Bach Collegium Japan Plays J.S. Bach's

Christmas Oratorio

JAN 29 8PM The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra

Plays Petrushka

MAR 11 7:30PM Joshua Bell and the Academy of St Martin

in the Fields

MAY 6 7:30PM Yuja Wang in Recital

## Great Performers B Package SIX CONCERTS

OCT 31 8PM Zubin Mehta Conducts the Israel

Philharmonic Orchestra

DEC 17 7:30PM Christian Tetzlaff lays Bach in Recital

JAN 28 7:30PM The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra

and Gautier Capuçon

FEB 18 7:30PM Yefim Bronfman in Recital
APR 15 7:30PM András Schiff in Recital
MAY 20 2PM Itzhak Perlman with the SFS

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#### Film A Package

FOUR CONCERTS WITH FILMS

FRI DEC 18PM North by Northwest
SUN DEC 17 2PM Home Alone
FRI FEB 2 8PM West Side Story
FRI APR 6 8PM Amadeus

#### Film B Package

FOUR SATURDAY CONCERTS WITH FILMS

SAT DEC 2 8PM North by Northwest
SAT DEC 16 7PM Home Alone
SAT FEB 3 8PM West Side Story
SAT APR 7 8PM Amadeus

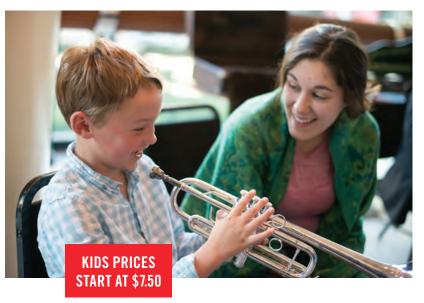
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Batman
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WED APR 4 8PM | THU APR 5 8PM

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# Music for Families

Share the joy and excitement of live classical music at this family-friendly concert series with members of the San Francisco Symphony. Curated by Resident Conductor Christian Reif, Music for Families is the perfect family outing to awaken musical curiosity in engaging and fun ways.

Arrive early and enjoy interactive lobby activities. Ticket holders receive free online materials to continue musical discovery at home.

See page 28 for additional family-friendly events.







## Music for Families Package FOUR SATURDAY CONCERTS AT 2PM

DEC 2 Stringing it All Together:
The Elements of Music-Making
Daniel Bartholomew-Poyser conductor

EB 3 Melodic Marvels: The Music of Asia Christian Reif conductor

APR 28 Work Hard, Play Hard: The Life of Composers and Conductors Christian Reif conductor

MAY 19 Breaking the Rules: Musical Rebels
Christian Reif conductor

See price chart on page 30.

Recommended for ages 5 and older.



SPECIAL SERIES

Chamber Music

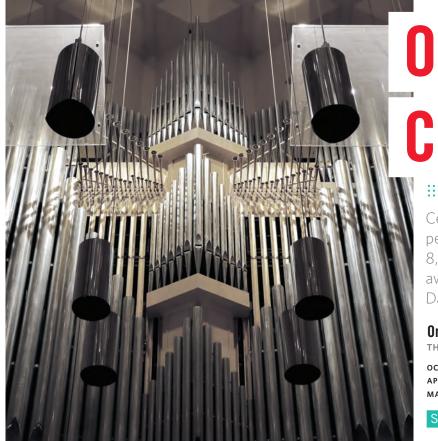
Wondrous music fills the hall as the talented members of the San Francisco Symphony perform virtuosic works for small ensembles. Chamber concerts showcase the artistry of individual musicians as they collaborate to produce a symphony of sound that's both awe-inspiring and deeply personal.

#### Chamber Music Package

SIX SUNDAY CONCERTS AT 2PM

OCT 29 | FEB 4 | FEB 25 | APR 15 | MAY 6 | JUN 3

See price chart on page 30.



Organ Concerts

Celebrated organists from around the world perform solo recitals on the magnificent 8,264-pipe Ruffatti organ. Feel the awesome power of this music as it fills Davies Symphony Hall with glorious sound.

#### Organ Concerts Package

THREE SUNDAY CONCERTS AT 3PM

OCT 22 Nathan Laube
APR 8 Paul Jacobs

MAY 27 Organist to be confirmed

See price chart on page 30.



#### **SPECIAL SERIES**









Showcasing over 100 of the Bay Area's most talented young instrumentalists, the San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra performs great masterpieces of the symphonic repertory.

#### **Youth Orchestra Package**

THREE SUNDAY CONCERTS AT 2PM

NOV 19 | MAR 4 | MAY 13

All performances conducted by Wattis Foundation Music Director Christian Reif

See price chart on page 30.

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#### **SPECIAL SERIES**





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MAY 10 Gautier Capuçon and Pines of Rome Susanna Mälkki and Hilary Hahn

See price chart on page 30.

# Amazing Add-Ons

Popular concerts will sell out! Purchase advance tickets to these concerts with your subscription package for the best seats at the best price.

#### → BERNSTEIN AT 100

#### **Opening Night Gala**

THU **SEP 14** 8PM

Sensational guest artists, glamorous fashion, and unparalleled music are just part of what makes the Opening Night Gala an unforgettable experience. This year, Michael Tilson Thomas and superstar Yo-Yo Ma combine artistic forces, performing two beloved works for cello and orchestra. Ma's talent and artistry is unleashed to bring these show-stopping works to life. Celebrations continue post-concert at the After-Party, including cocktails, live music, and dancing.

Upgrade your experience by purchasing one of four dinner package options. Call the San Francisco Symphony Volunteer Council at 415-503-5500 or visit sfsymphony.org/gala for further details.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Yo-Yo Ma cello San Francisco Symphony

Bernstein Overture to Candide
Saint-Saëns Cello Concerto No. 1
Tchaikovsky Variations on a Rococo Theme
Rayel Boléro

Ticket exchange and group discount not available. Program and details are subject to change. Must be 21 or over to attend.

#### China National Centre for the Performing Arts Orchestra

SUN **NOV 5** 8PM

East meets West under the baton of Lü Jia with the China National Centre for the Performing Arts Orchestra. A contemporary Chinese work is presented alongside Harrison's virtuosic Concerto for Pipa and Brahms' gorgeous Fourth Symphony.

**Lü Jia** conducto

China National Centre for the Performing Arts Orchestra

**Harrison** Concerto for Pipa with String Orchestra **Brahms** Symphony No. 4



#### → BERNSTEIN AT 100

#### MTT Conducts Bernstein's Candide

THU **JAN 18** 8PM

Follow the misadventures of Candide and his sweetheart Cunégonde in a concert version of Bernstein's wildly popular and eminently hummable comic operetta *Candide*. With vocal fireworks performed by an internationally renowned cast, hear songs like "Glitter and Be Gay" and "Make Our Garden Grow" featuring MTT and the San Francisco Symphony.

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor Vocalists to be announced San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin director San Francisco Symphony

Bernstein Candide

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#### West Side Story

THU FEB 1 8PM

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of this iconic film, as the San Francisco Symphony plays Leonard Bernstein's electrifying score live while the re-mastered film is shown on the big screen with the original vocals and dialog intact. Winner of ten Academy Awards®, the film, directed by Robert Wise and Jerome Robbins, features Robbins' choreography, screenplay by Ernest Lehman, book by Arthur Laurents and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim.

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#### Daniil Trifonov and Sergei Babayan in Recital

TUE **FEB 27** 8PM

Daniil Trifonov, hailed as "a talent compelling and thrilling enough to lift you right out of your chair," (The Seattle Times) collaborates with Sergei Babayan and his "unequaled touch, perfectly harmonious phrasing, and breathtaking virtuosity" (Le Figaro) in a program celebrating music for two pianos.

Daniil Trifonov piano Sergei Babayan piano

Schumann Andante and Variations in B-flat major
Maura Lanza New Work for Two Pianos
Schubert Fantasy in F minor for Piano Four Hands
Rachmaninoff Suite No. 1 for Two Pianos, Fantaisie-tableaux
Rachmaninoff Suite No. 2 for Two Pianos

### Itzhak Perlman and Martha Argerich in Recital

FRI **MAR 16** 2PM

The musical partnership between Itzhak Perlman and Martha Argerich has produced some of the most "intensely vital music-making" (Gramophone) of our time. Seize this rare and extraordinary opportunity to hear an afternoon of incredible chamber music as they perform the buoyant Sonata No. 4 by J.S. Bach and Franck's lyrical and eloquent Violin Sonata.

Itzhak Perlman violin Martha Argerich piano

**J.S. Bach** Violin Sonata No. 4 in C minor **Franck** Violin Sonata



#### **Batman** Feature Film

WED APR 4 8PM | THU APR 5 8PM

Watch Tim Burton's *Batman* on the big screen featuring Danny Elfman's Grammy Award-winning score performed live by the San Francisco Symphony. With Michael Keaton in the title role and Jack Nicholson as the iconic Joker, return to Gotham City and watch as the two battle for good and evil. Remember, only one will claim the night.

#### **András Schiff in Recital**

TUF APR 17 8PM

Hear András Schiff, whose recitals are "among the most memorable in recent SF Symphony offerings...elegant, intimate, now playful, now dramatic, always sincere and honest."

(San Francisco Chronicle)

András Schiff piano

Schumann Ghost Variations
Brahms Three Intermezzi, Opus 117
Mozart Rondo in A minor, K.511

**Brahms** Six *Klavierstücke*, Opus 118 **Bach** Prelude and Fugue No. 24 in B minor from

The Well-Tempered Clavier, Book I **Brahms** Four Klavierstücke, Opus 119

Beethoven Piano Sonata in E-flat major, Opus 81a, Les Adieux

#### Itzhak Perlman with the SFS

THU **MAY 17** 8PM

Violinist and conductor Itzhak Perlman leads the San Francisco Symphony in a program featuring J.S. Bach's Concerto for Oboe and Violin with Principal Oboe Eugene Izotov. With a gracious Allegro, expansive slow movement, and a vigorous finale, hear the unmatched artistry of these two exceptional musicians performing Bach's charming concerto.

Itzhak Perlman conductor and violin Eugene Izotov oboe San Francisco Symphony

J.S. Bach Concerto in D minor for Oboe, Violin, and Orchestra Tchaikovsky Serenade for Strings
Elgar Enigma Variations

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#### **Chinese New Year Concert**

SAT FEB 24 3PM Festivities begin at 2pm\*

Celebrate Lunar New Year and the Year of the Dog with the San Francisco Symphony at this family event that draws on both ancient and contemporary traditions. Arrive at 2pm for the activity-filled Festival Reception with Chinese instruments, lion dancing, "lucky" red envelopes, entertainment, tea bars, sweet and savory bites, and more.

Continue the festivities after the concert by purchasing a ticket to the dramatic and exciting Imperial Dinner. Call the San Francisco Symphony Volunteer Council for details at 415-503-5500.

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### **Annual Youth Orchestra Holiday Concert**

SUN DEC 10 2PM

Experience the talent and artistry of the San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra in this festive celebration of the holiday season. Bring the whole family as these young instrumentalists fill the hall with music and cheer.

Christian Reif conductor

San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra

# **Seating Chart**



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#### PREMIER SECOND TIER

Excellent sound and central views at an exceptional value.

#### SIDE TERRACE

An intimate view of the conductor and orchestra as they bring the music to life.

#### CENTER TERRACE

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2nd Tier	\$192	384	192	384	768	224	192	384	228	456	86	43	128	_	_		
Premier 2nd Tier	\$282	564	282	564	1128	329	282	564	282	564	102	51	188	_	_	General	General
Upper Orchestra	\$372	744	372	744	1488	434	372	744	362	724	134	67	248	198	84		
Rear Box	\$402	804	402	804	1608	469	402	804	372	744	128	64	268	198	84	Admission	Admission
1st Tier	\$384	768	384	768	1536	448	384	768	322	644	128	64	256	_	_	\$45	\$200 except
Front Orchestra	\$450	900	450	900	1800	525	450	900	464	928	134	67	300	198	84	except	Loge/Side Box/Rear
Side Terrace	\$444	888	444	888	1776	518	444	888	396	792	102	51	_	198	_	Loge/	Box/Premier
Premier 1st Tier	\$462	924	462	924	1848	539	462	924	430	860	134	67	308	_	_	Side Box	Orch
Orchestra	\$558	1116	558	1116	2232	651	558	1116	508	1,016	134	67	372	198	114	\$165	\$280
Premier Orchestra	\$708	1416	708	1416	2832	826	708	1416	624	1,248	160	80	472	198	114		
Loge/Side Box	\$918	1836	918	1836	3672	1071	918	1836	748	1,496	204	102	612	198	114		
Pre-paid Parking	\$138	276	138	276	552	161	138	276	138	276	92	92	92	138	69	69	184

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Date				Sep 14	Nov 4	Nov 5	Dec 3	Dec 10	Feb 24	Feb 27	Mar 16	Apr 4 & 5	Apr 17
Center Terrace	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
2nd Tier	\$32	52	31	190	22	27	_	22	34	37	67	47	31
Premier 2nd Tier	\$47	67	37	-	31	32	_	27	34	42	77	61	37
Upper Orchestra	\$62	85	48	_	42	62	44	36	53	55	98	82	48
Rear Box	\$67	88	49	-	48	52	44	36	53	57	92	82	49
1st Tier	\$64	77	42	325	41	51	44	32	52	54	91	81	42
Front Orchestra	\$75	108	62	-	58	68	_	35	67	72	108	88	62
Side Terrace**	\$74	94	52	_	_	61	44	38	_	61	97	_	52
Premier 1st Tier	\$77	101	57	-	51	61	44	35	52	67	97	87	57
Orchestra	\$93	118	68	_	55	72	64	39	67	78	133	108	68
Premier Orchestra	\$118	148	82	-	78	82	_	52	79	88	162	123	82
Loge/Side Box	\$153	178	98	_	92	92	_	68	_	98	188	163	98
Pre-paid Parking	\$23	23	23	-	23	23	_	23	_	23	23	23	23

Joshua Bell and the Academy of St Martin in the Fields (3/11), Yuja Wang in Recital (5/6), Itzhak Perlman with the SFS (5/20)

Zubin Mehta Conducts the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra (10/31). George Li in Recital (10/8). Trifonov Plays Chopin in Recital (10/30), Bach Collegium Japan Plays J.S. Bach's Christmas Oratorio (12/9), Christian Tetzlaff lays Bach in Recital (12/17), The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra (1/28-29), Yefim Bronfman in Recital (2/18), András Schiff n Recital (4/15)

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		22	23	24
		FRI C	SAT A	SUN A
	28		30	
	THU B		SAT B	
	OPEN	28	22 FRI C	22   23   SAT A   30

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MTT Conducts Symphonie fantastique Michael Tilson Thomas conductor, Jeremy Denk piano, San Francisco Symphony - p. 7					O1 sun B
Urbański Conducts Shostakovich's Tenth Krzysztof Urbański conductor, Augustin Hadelich violin, San Francisco Symphony - p. 7	O6 OPEN		06 FRI E	<b>07</b> SAT D	08 SUN A
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NOVEMBER	OPEN	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
MTT Conducts Bernstein and R. Strauss Michael Tilson Thomas conductor, Jean-Yves Thibaudet piano, San Francisco Symphony - p. 9	O2 OPEN	<b>02</b> THU C	O3 FRI D		O5 SUN B
American Masters: Gershwin and More Michael Tilson Thomas conductor, Christian Reif conductor, San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin director, San Francisco Symphony - p. 9			10 FRI G	11 SAT C	12 SUN A
Zukerman Plays Beethoven with the SFS Michael Tilson Thomas conductor, Pinchas Zukerman violin, San Francisco Symphony - p. 9		16 THU M	17 FRI C	18 SAT D	
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Handel's <i>Messiah</i>	14	15	
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## JANUARY 2018

Emanuel Ax Plays Mozart and Schoenberg with the SFS  Michael Tilson Thomas conductor, Emanuel Ax piano, San Francisco Symphony-p. 10	11 OPEN	11 THU A	12 FRI F	13 SAT A	
MTT Conducts Bernstein's Candide  Michael Tilson Thomas conductor, Vocalists to be announced, San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin director, San Francisco Symphony - p. 11			19 FRI D	<b>20</b> sat c	21 sun b

FEBRUARY	OPEN	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Beethoven's Emperor Concerto  Herbert Blomstedt conductor, Garrick Ohlsson piano, San Francisco Symphony - p. 11	08 OPEN	08 THU C	09 FRI C	10 SAT D	
Beethoven's <i>Eroica</i> Herbert Blomstedt conductor, San Francisco Symphony - p. 11		15 THU M	16 FRI D	17 SAT A	
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### MARCH

Heras-Casado Conducts Brahms' Symphony No. 1 Pablo Heras-Casado conductor, Alexander Barantschik violin, San Francisco Symphony - p. 12		<b>01</b> THU C	02 FRIE	O3 SAT C	
Gershwin's <i>Rhapsody in Blue</i> Edward Gardner conductor, Simon Trpčeski piano, San Francisco Symphony - p. 12	O8 OPEN	O8 THU A	09 FRI C	10 SAT D	
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APRIL	OPEN	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	
Beethoven's Third Piano Concerto		12	13	14		
Daniel Harding conductor, Paul Lewis piano,		THU M	FRI F	SAT C		
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French Greats: Debussy and Ravel		19	20	21		
Charles Dutoit conductor, Susan Graham mezzo-soprano,		THUA	FRIG	SAT B		
San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin director, San Francisco Symphony - p. 14		INUA	rkiu	SALD		
Cosmic Wonders: Holst's <i>The Planets</i>	26	26	27		29	
Charles Dutoit conductor, Jean-Efflam Bavouzet piano,	OPEN	THU B	FRIE		SUN A	
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Brahms' Violin Concerto with Ray Chen Juraj Valčuha conductor, Ray Chen violin, San Francisco Symphony - p. 14		03	04 FRIC	<b>05</b> SAT B	
Gautier Capuçon and Pines of Rome Stéphane Denève conductor, Gautier Capuçon cello, San Francisco Symphony - p. 15	10 OPEN	10 THU A	11 FRI D	12 SAT A	
Itzhak Perlman with the SFS Itzhak Perlman conductor and violin, Eugene Izotov oboe, San Francisco Symphony - p. 15				19 SAT C	
Gerstein Plays Brahms with the SFS  David Robertson conductor, Kirill Gerstein piano, San Francisco Symphony - p. 15			25 FRIF	<b>26</b> SAT D	
The Labèque Sisters Play Bruch's Concerto for Two Pianos  Semyon Bychkov conductor, Katia and Marielle Labèque piano duo,		31 THU M			

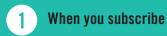
JUNE	OPEN	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
The Labèque Sisters Play Bruch's Concerto for Two Pianos			O1	<b>02</b>	
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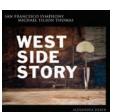
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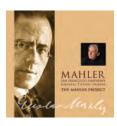


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