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SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY SEPTEMBER–NOVEMBER 2018 CONCERT CALENDAR

PLEASE NOTE: Single tickets and subscription packages for the San Francisco Symphony's 2018–19 season are available at www.sfsymphony.org/1819season, (415) 864-6000, and at the Davies Symphony Hall Box Office, located on Grove Street between Franklin and Van Ness.

All concerts are at Davies Symphony Hall, 201 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, unless otherwise noted.

OPENING NIGHT GALA with ITZHAK PERLMAN

[Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor

Itzhak Perlman violin

Students of the Perlman Music Program

San Francisco Symphony

LISZT

Mephisto Waltz No. 1 for Orchestra

J.S. BACH

Concerto No. 3 in D minor for Two Violins, Strings, and Continuo, BWV 1043

GERSHWIN

Cuban Overture

Ennio MORRICONE

Love Theme from *Cinema Paradiso*

BARRY

Main Title from *Out of Africa*

John WILLIAMS

Theme from *Schindler's List*

GARDEL

Tango from *Scent of a Woman*

GERSHWIN

An American in Paris

Formal dinner packages begin at \$495 and include a 5pm cocktail reception, 6pm dinner, the After-Party in the Tented Pavilion and on Grove Street, and premium seating for the concert. Dinner packages are available by contacting the Volunteer Council at (415) 503-5500 or online at www.sfsymphony.org/gala.

Tickets: Concert tickets are \$190 and \$325 and include a complimentary pre-concert wine reception, as well as access to the After-Party in the Tented Pavilion. Limited number of tickets may be available and can be purchased by calling the box office at 415-864-6000, at www.sfsymphony.org/gala, or at the box office located on Grove Street between Van Ness Avenue and Franklin Street.

ALL SAN FRANCISCO CONCERT with MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS

Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 8pm

Saturday, September 8, 2018 at 8 pm

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
Oliver Herbert cello
San Francisco Symphony

LISZT	<i>Mephisto Waltz</i> No. 1 for Orchestra
TCHAIKOVSKY	Rococo Variations
GERSHWIN	<i>Cuban Overture</i>
GERSHWIN	<i>An American in Paris</i>

Tickets: \$12, no service fee. Tickets are available for general purchase at sfsymphony.org, by phone at 415-864-6000, and at the Davies Symphony Hall box office on Grove Street between Franklin Street and Van Ness Avenue.

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

[Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 8 pm](#)
[Friday, September 14, 2018 at 8 pm](#)
[Saturday, September 15, 2018 at 8 pm](#)
[Sunday, September 16, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
Yuja Wang piano
Abigail Washburn vocalist [SFS debut]
Luke Kritzeck lighting design
Clyde Scott video design
San Francisco Symphony

Béla FLECK/Abigail WASHBURN	<i>"Come All You Coal Miners"</i> Abigail Washburn vocalist
Béla FLECK/Abigail WASHBURN	<i>"And Am I Born To Die?"</i> Abigail Washburn vocalist San Francisco Symphony
CASTIGLIONI	<i>Inverno in-ver</i> (with video) [First SFS Performances]
RAVEL	Piano Concerto in D major for the Left Hand
COPLAND	<i>Appalachian Spring</i> (complete orchestrated version)

Tickets: \$32-169

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

[Friday, September 21, 2018 at 8 pm](#)
[Saturday, September 22, 2018 at 8 pm](#)
[Sunday, September 23, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

STRAVINSKY FESTIVAL
Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
Leslie Caron narrator
Nicholas Phan tenor
San Francisco Girls Chorus
Pacific Boychoir
San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin director
San Francisco Symphony

STRAVINSKY	<i>Perséphone</i>
STRAVINSKY	<i>The Firebird</i> (complete)

Tickets: \$32-156

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

[Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Friday, September 28, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, September 29, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Sunday, September 30, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

STRAVINSKY FESTIVAL

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor

Leonidas Kavakos violin

San Francisco Symphony

STRAVINSKY

Petrushka (1947 revision)

STRAVINSKY

Violin Concerto

STRAVINSKY

Le Sacre du printemps (The Rite of Spring) (1947 revision)

Tickets: \$15–166

2018 CARNEGIE HALL TOUR

Wednesday, October 3, 2018 at 7 pm

Carnegie Hall

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor

Renée Fleming soprano

Audra McDonald soprano

San Francisco Symphony

GERSHWIN

Cuban Overture

LISZT

Mephisto Waltz No. 1 for Orchestra

GERSHWIN

An American in Paris

Remaining program to be announced.

Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 8 pm

Carnegie Hall

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor

Leonidas Kavakos violin

San Francisco Symphony

STRAVINSKY

Petrushka (1947 revision)

STRAVINSKY

Violin Concerto

STRAVINSKY

Le Sacre du Printemps (The Rite of Spring) (1947 revision)

Friday, October 5, 2018 at 8 pm

Tilles Center for the Performing Arts

Greenvale, NY

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor

Leonidas Kavakos violin

San Francisco Symphony

STRAVINSKY

Petrushka (1947 revision)

STRAVINSKY

Violin Concerto

STRAVINSKY

Le Sacre du Printemps (The Rite of Spring) (1947 revision)

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MANFRED HONECK CONDUCTING

[Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

[Friday, October 12, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, October 13, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

Manfred Honeck conductor

Truls Mørk cello [SFS debut]

San Francisco Symphony

PROKOFIEV

Sinfonia concertante in E minor, Opus 125

DVOŘÁK

Symphony No. 8 in G major, Opus 88

Tickets: \$15–156

EVGENY KISSIN in RECITAL

➤ *Great Performers Series*

[Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 7:30 pm](#)

Evgeny Kissin piano

CHOPIN

Nocturne in F minor, Opus 55, no. 1

CHOPIN

Nocturne in E major, Opus 62, no. 2

SCHUMANN

Piano Sonata No. 3 in F minor, Opus 14

RACHMANINOFF

Seven Preludes from Ten Preludes, Opus 23

RACHMANINOFF

Three Preludes from Thirteen Preludes, Opus 32

Tickets: \$25–215

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, PABLO HERAS-CASADO CONDUCTING

[Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 10 am \(Open Rehearsal\)](#)

[Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Friday, October 19, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, October 20, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

Pablo Heras-Casado conductor

Javier Perianes piano

San Francisco Symphony

RAVEL

Alborada del gracioso

BARTÓK

Piano Concerto No. 3

DEBUSSY

Ibéria from *Images pour orchestre*

RAVEL

Boléro

Tickets: \$15–156

ORGAN RECITAL

[Sunday, October 21, 2018 at 3 pm](#)

Olivier Latry organ

COUPERIN

Offertoire sur les Grands Jeux

LULLY (trans. GEOFFROY)

Menuet

LULLY (trans. GEOFFROY)

Ouverture d'Isis

LULLY (trans. GEOFFROY)	Marche from <i>Thésée</i>
J.S. BACH	Chorale Prelude, <i>Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele</i> , BWV 654
J.S. BACH	Fantasy and Fugue in G minor, BWV 542
FRANCK	No. 3 in A minor from Three Chorales for Organ
BRAHMS	Chorale Prelude, <i>Es ist ein' Ros' entsprungen</i> , Opus 122, no. 8
SCHUMANN	Fifth Fugue on B.A.C.H.
LISZT	Prelude and Fugue on the Theme B-A-C-H
Olivier LATRY	Improvisation on Submitted Themes

Tickets: \$28–40

MARIINSKY ORCHESTRA, VALERY GERGIEV CONDUCTING

➤ *Great Performers Series*

[Sunday, October 21, 2018 at 7:30 pm](#)

Valery Gergiev conductor
Denis Matsuev piano
Mariinsky Orchestra

STRAVINSKY	Fireworks, Opus 4
STRAVINSKY	Symphony in Three Movements
STRAVINSKY	Capriccio for Piano and Orchestra
STRAVINSKY	Symphony in C
STRAVINSKY	<i>The Firebird Suite</i> (1919 version)

Tickets: \$15–99

MARIINSKY ORCHESTRA, VALERY GERGIEV CONDUCTING

[Monday, October 22, 2018 at 8:00 pm](#)

Valery Gergiev conductor
Denis Matsuev piano
Mariinsky Orchestra

DEBUSSY	<i>Prélude à L'Après-midi d'un faune</i>
RACHMANINOFF	Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini, Opus 43
MAHLER	Symphony No. 5 in C-sharp minor

Tickets: \$25–99

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, CRISTIAN MĂCELARU CONDUCTING

[Thursday, October 25, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Friday, October 26, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, October 27, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

Cristian Măcelaru conductor [SFS debut]
Ray Chen violin
San Francisco Symphony

Anna CLYNE	<i>Masquerade</i> [First SFS Performances]
LALO	<i>Symphonie espagnole</i> , Opus 21
Kevin PUTS	<i>Silent Night Elegy</i> [SFS Co-Commission & World Premiere]
R. STRAUSS	Suite from <i>Der Rosenkavalier</i> , Opus 59

Tickets: \$15–156

CHAMBER MUSIC at THE LEGION OF HONOR

[Sunday, October 28, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

Alexander Barantschik violin
Peter Wyrick cello
Anton Nel piano

BEETHOVEN Violin Sonata No.3 in E-flat major, Opus 12, no.2
BEETHOVEN Sonata No. 4 in C major for Cello and Piano, Opus 102, no.2
BEETHOVEN Piano Trio No. 2 in E-flat major, Opus 70, no.2

Tickets: \$55–75

CHAMBER MUSIC with MEMBERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

[Sunday, October 28, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

Krzysztof PENDERECKI String Trio
Nadya Tichman violin
David Kim viola
Amos Yang cello

Michael COLGRASS Variations for 4 Drums and Viola (1957)
Jacob Nissly percussion
Jonathan Vinocour viola

FRANCK Piano Quintet in F minor
David Chernayvsky violin
Polina Sedukh violin
Katie Kadarach viola
Margaret Tait cello
Asya Gulua piano

Tickets: \$33–45

JURASSIC PARK with the SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

➤ *Film Series*

[Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Friday, November 2, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

Constantine Kitsopoulos conductor
San Francisco Symphony

John WILLIAMS *Jurassic Park*

Steven SPIELBERG director

Tickets: \$32–165

DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS with the SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

[Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 2pm \(lobby festivities begin at 1pm\)](#)

Jacomo Bairos conductor
Villalobos Brothers
Casa Círculo Cultural theater ensemble
San Francisco Symphony

Program to include:

J.S. BACH (arr. Sam HYKEN)	Toccata y Fuga
REVUELTAS	<i>Noche de Jaranas</i> from <i>La noche de los Mayas</i>
TRADITIONAL	Neon serpent dance with percussion Casa Círculo Cultural dancers
FALLA	Ritual Fire Dance from <i>El Amor Brujo</i> Casa Círculo Cultural dancers
LECUONA (Arr. TBD)	<i>Malagueña</i>
FALLA	Selections from <i>El sombrero de tres picos (The Three-Cornered Hat)</i>
VARIOUS	Selections to be announced from stage. The Villalobos Brothers San Francisco Symphony

Bring the entire family and join the San Francisco Symphony in celebrating Latin-American music and culture for the Day of the Dead. Arrive early to enjoy live music and catrinas, colorful altars, and more. This program is presented in partnership with the San Francisco Arts Commission.

Tickets: \$22–92

HILARY HAHN in RECITAL

➤ *Great Performers Series*

[Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 7:30 pm](#)

Hilary Hahn violin

J.S. BACH	Violin Sonata No. 1 in G minor, BWV 1001
J.S. BACH	Partita No. 1 in B minor for Solo Violin, BWV 1002
J.S. BACH	Partita No. 2 in D minor for Solo Violin, BWV 1004

Tickets: \$15–105

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, JAKUB HRŮŠA CONDUCTING

[Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 10 am \(Open Rehearsal\)](#)

[Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Friday, November 9, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, November 10, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

Jakub Hrůša conductor
Karen Gomyo violin [SFS debut]
San Francisco Symphony

SHOSTAKOVICH	Violin Concerto No. 1 in A minor, Opus 77(99)
BORODIN	Symphony No. 2 in B minor
BARTÓK	Suite from <i>The Miraculous Mandarin</i> , Opus 19

Tickets: \$15–156

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY YOUTH ORCHESTRA

[Sunday, November 11, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

Jonas Koh marimba
Christian Reif conductor
San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra

John ADAMS *The Chairman Dances*
Emmanuel SÉJOURNÉ Concerto for Marimba and Strings
DVOŘÁK Symphony No. 7 in D minor, Opus 70

Tickets: \$15–55

CZECH PHILHARMONIC, SEMYON BYCHKOV CONDUCTING

➤ *Great Performers Series*

[Sunday, November 11, 2018 at 7:30 pm](#)

Semyon Bychkov conductor
Alisa Weilerstein cello
Czech Philharmonic

DVOŘÁK Cello Concerto in B minor, Opus 104
DVOŘÁK Symphony No. 7 in D minor, Opus 70

Tickets: \$15–99

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

[Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

[Friday, November 16, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, November 17, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Sunday, November 18, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

Isabel Leonard narrator
Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
San Francisco Symphony

Michael TILSON THOMAS *From the Diary of Anne Frank* [First SFS Performances]
Isabel Leonard narrator
[To be recorded live for future release on SFS Media]
BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 3 in E-flat major, Opus 55, *Eroica*

*Note: December 2018 marks 70th anniversary of Universal Declaration of Human Rights

Tickets: \$15–156

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

[Friday, November 23, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, November 24, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

[Sunday, November 25, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
Susanna Phillips soprano

Kelley O'Connor mezzo-soprano
Nicholas Phan tenor
Davóne Tines bass-baritone
San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin director
San Francisco Symphony

BERG *Seven Early Songs (Sieben frühe Lieder)* [To be recorded live for future release on SFS Media]
BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 9 in D minor, Opus 125

Tickets: \$32–185

PINK MARTINI with the SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

[Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 7:30 pm](#)
[Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 7:30 pm](#)

Christopher Bell conductor
Thomas M. Lauderdale piano
China Forbes vocalist
Pink Martini
San Francisco Symphony

Tickets: \$30–150

THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS with the SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

➤ *Film Series*

[Friday, November 30, 2018 at 8 pm](#)
[Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 8 pm](#)
[Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 8 pm](#)

Ted Sperling conductor
San Francisco Symphony

Danny ELFMAN *The Nightmare Before Christmas*

Tim BURTON director

Tickets: \$32–165

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