



# SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

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## SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY SEPTEMBER–NOVEMBER 2019 SEASON CONCERT CALENDAR

**PLEASE NOTE:** Single tickets for the San Francisco Symphony's 2019–20 season concerts are available at <https://www.sfsymphony.org/MTT25>, (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.*

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### OPENING NIGHT GALA

[Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 8:00 pm](#)

**Michael Tilson Thomas** conductor

**Susanna Phillips** soprano

**Jennifer Johnson Cano** mezzo-soprano

**Jonathan Tetelman** tenor

**Ryan McKinny** bass-baritone

**San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin** director

**San Francisco Symphony**

**Luke Kritzeck** lightning design

Program to include:

#### GLINKA

Overture to *Ruslan and Ludmila*

#### COPLAND

"The Dodger" from Old American Songs

#### Gordon GETTY

*Shenandoah*

#### COPLAND

"Golden Willow Tree" from Old American Songs

**BRITTEN**

Variations and Fugue on a Theme by Purcell

**BEETHOVEN**

IV. Finale: Ode, "To Joy" from Symphony No. 9 in D minor, Opus 125

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. Limited number of dinner packages may be available by contacting the Volunteer Council at (415) 503-5500 or online at [www.sfsymphony.org/gala](http://www.sfsymphony.org/gala).

Concert tickets are \$278 and \$426 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](http://www.sfsymphony.org/gala), or at the box office located on Grove Street between Van Ness Avenue and Franklin Street.

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**ALL SAN FRANCISCO CONCERT with MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS**

[Thursday, September 5, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

**Michael Tilson Thomas** conductor  
**Alina Ming Kobialka** violin  
**Hannah Tarley** violin  
**San Francisco Symphony**

**GLINKA**

Overture to *Ruslan and Ludmila*

**SAINT-SAËNS**

Introduction and Rondo capriccioso

**TCHAIKOVSKY**

*Romeo and Juliet* Fantasy-Overture

**RAVEL**

*Tzigane*

**BRITTEN**

Variations on a Theme by Purcell, Opus 34

**Tickets:** \$12 tickets are offered to community groups and social service organizations. Groups that would like to be considered for next year's concert should email [allsf@sfsymphony.org](mailto:allsf@sfsymphony.org).

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**S&M2: METALLICA with the SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY at CHASE CENTER,  
CONDUCTED BY EDWIN OUTWATER WITH SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY MICHAEL TILSON  
THOMAS**

[Friday, September 6 at 8 pm](#)

[Sunday, September 8 at 8 pm](#)

Chase Center, San Francisco, CA

**Edwin Outwater** conductor  
**Michael Tilson Thomas** conductor and special guest  
**Metallica**  
**San Francisco Symphony**

**Tickets:** A limited number of tickets for the September 6 performance may be available at [chasecenter.com](http://chasecenter.com).

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## **SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING**

[Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 8 pm](#)  
[Friday, September 13, 2019 at 8 pm](#)  
[Saturday, September 14, 2019 at 8 pm](#)  
[Sunday, September 15, 2019 at 2 pm](#)

**Michael Tilson Thomas** conductor  
**San Francisco Symphony**

### **MAHLER**

Symphony No. 6 in A minor

Tickets: \$35–160

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## **SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING**

[Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 2 pm](#)  
[Friday, September 20, 2019 at 8 pm](#)  
[Saturday, September 21, 2019 at 8 pm](#)  
[Sunday, September 22, 2019 at 2 pm](#)

**Michael Tilson Thomas** conductor  
**Daniil Trifonov** piano  
**San Francisco Symphony**

### **John ADAMS**

*I Still Dance* [SFS & Carnegie Hall Co-commission, World Premiere]

### **RACHMANINOFF**

Piano Concerto No. 4 in G minor, Opus 40

### **SCHUMANN**

Symphony No. 3 in E-flat major, Opus 97, *Rhenish*

Tickets: \$20–160

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## **SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING**

[Thursday, September 26, 2019 at 8 pm](#)  
[Friday, September 27, 2019 at 8 pm](#)  
[Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

**Michael Tilson Thomas** conductor  
**Nicholas Phan** tenor  
**Tyler Duncan** baritone  
**Oliver Herbert** cello  
**San Francisco Symphony**  
**San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Ragnar Bohlin** director

**STRAVINSKY**  
*Canticum sacrum*

**STRAVINSKY**  
Symphony of Psalms [1948 revision]

**HAYDN**  
Cello Concerto No. 2 in D major, H.VIIb:2

**STRAVINSKY**  
Symphony in Three Movements

Tickets: \$35–160

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## **CHAMBER MUSIC with MEMBERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY**

[Sunday, September 29, 2019 at 2 pm](#)

**PREVIN**  
Trio for Piano, Oboe, and Bassoon (1994)

**Russ DeLuna** oboe  
**Rob Weir** bassoon  
**Britton Day** piano

**COLERIDGE-TAYLOR**  
Clarinet Quintet in F-sharp minor, Opus 10  
**Diane Nicholeris** violin  
**Florin Parvulescu** violin  
**Gina Cooper** viola  
**David Goldblatt** cello  
**Steve Sanchez** clarinet

**Ron MINOR**  
*Tutrovia II*  
**Nick Platoff** trombone  
**Wayne Roden** viola  
**Amos Yang** cello  
**Daniel Smith** bass

**DVOŘÁK**  
String Sextet in A major, B.80, Opus 48  
**Helen Kim** violin  
**Chen Zhao** violin  
**Jonathan Vinocour** viola

**Peter Wyrick** cello  
**Oliver Herbert** cello

Tickets: \$40

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## **SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MAREK JANOWSKI CONDUCTING**

[Thursday, October 3, 2019 at 2 pm](#)

[Friday, October 4, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, October 5, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Marek Janowski](#) conductor  
[María Dueñas](#) violin [SFS debut]  
**San Francisco Symphony**

### **HINDEMITH**

Concert Music for String Orchestra and Brass, Opus 50

### **MENDELSSOHN**

Violin Concerto in E minor, Opus 64

### **MOZART**

Symphony No. 41 in C major, K.551, *Jupiter*

**Tickets:** \$35–160

**Audio Program Notes:** Listen to a free podcast about Mozart's Symphony No. 41, hosted by [KDFC's Rik Malone](#). All podcasts are archived, and can be streamed from [sfsymphony.org/podcasts](https://sfsymphony.org/podcasts), and downloaded from the [iTunes store and from soundcloud.com/sfsymphony](#).

**Pre-Concert Talk:** Peter Grunberg will give an "Inside Music" talk from the stage one hour prior to each performance. Free to all concert ticket holders; doors open 15 minutes before.

**Broadcast / Archived Stream:** A broadcast of these performances will air Tuesday, October 15 at 8 pm on Classical KDFC 90.3 San Francisco, 104.9 San Jose, 89.9 Napa, and [kdfc.com](https://kdfc.com) where it will be available for on demand streaming for 21 days following the broadcast.

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## **SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, CRISTIAN MĂCELARU CONDUCTING**

[Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 10 am \(Open Rehearsal\)](#)

[Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Friday, October 18, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, October 19, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Cristian Măcelaru](#) conductor  
[Jacob Nissly](#) percussion  
**San Francisco Symphony**

### **L. BOULANGER**

*D'un matin de printemps* [First SFS Performances]

### **Adam SCHOENBERG**

*Losing Earth* [SFS Commission, World Premiere]

**MUSSORGSKY (orch. Ravel)**

*Pictures at an Exhibition*

Tickets: \$20–160

**Audio Program Notes:** Listen to a free podcast about Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*, hosted by [KDFC's Rik Malone](#). All podcasts are archived, and can be streamed from [sfsymphony.org/podcasts](https://sfsymphony.org/podcasts), and downloaded from the [iTunes store and from soundcloud.com/sfsymphony](https://itunes.apple.com/us/album/pictures-at-an-exhibition/id1441111111).

**Pre-Concert Talk:** Peter Grunberg will give an "Inside Music" talk from the stage one hour prior to each performance. Free to all concert ticket holders; doors open 15 minutes before.

**Off-The-Podium:** Please join Cristian Măcelaru, Jacob Nissly, Adam Schoenberg, and moderator Peter Grunberg immediately after the concerts (excluding the October 17 Open Rehearsal) for an audience Q&A session, which will be presented from the stage. Free to all ticket holders.

**Broadcast / Archived Stream:** A broadcast of these performances will air Tuesday, October 29 at 8 pm on Classical KDFC 90.3 San Francisco, 104.9 San Jose, 89.9 Napa, and [kdfc.com](https://kdfc.com) where it will be available for on demand streaming for 21 days following the broadcast.

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**CHAMBER MUSIC at THE LEGION OF HONOR**

[Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 2 pm](#)

Tickets: \$75

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**ORGAN RECITAL**

[Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 3 pm](#)

**Paul Jacobs** organ

**BACH**

Passacaglia in C Minor, BWV 582

**ARNE**

Flute Solo (arr. for organ)

**MOZART**

Fantasia in F Minor, K. 594

**IVES**

Variations on *America*

**VIERNE**

Symphony No. 6 in B Minor, Opus 59

Tickets: \$30–40

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**LANG LANG with the SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY**

[Tuesday, October 21, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

**Ion Marin** conductor  
**Lang Lang** piano  
**San Francisco Symphony**

Program to include:

**Glinka**

Overture to *Ruslan and Ludmila*

**BEETHOVEN**

Piano Concerto No. 2 in B-flat major, Opus 19

**Tchaikovsky**

Symphony No. 4 in F minor, Opus 36

Tickets: \$85–200

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**SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, KARINA CANELLAKIS CONDUCTING**

[Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 10 am \(Open Rehearsal\)](#)

[Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Friday, October 25, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, October 26, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Karina Canellakis](#) conductor [SFS debut]

[Alexander Gavrylyuk](#) piano [SFS debut]

**San Francisco Symphony**

**PROKOFIEV**

Piano Concerto No. 1 in D-flat major, Opus 10

**SHOSTAKOVICH**

Symphony No. 7 in C major, Opus 60, *Leningrad*

Tickets: \$20–125

**Audio Program Notes:** Listen to a free podcast about Shostakovich's Symphony No. 7, hosted by [KDFC's Rik Malone](#). All podcasts are archived, and can be streamed from [sfsymphony.org/podcasts](https://sfsymphony.org/podcasts), and downloaded from the [iTunes store and from soundcloud.com/sfsymphony](#).

**Pre-Concert Talk:** Peter Grunberg will give an "Inside Music" talk from the stage one hour prior to each performance. Free to all concert ticket holders; doors open 15 minutes before.

**Off-The-Podium:** Please join Karina Canellakis, Alexander Gavrylyuk, and moderator Peter Grunberg immediately after the concerts (excluding the October 24 Open Rehearsal) for an audience Q&A session, which will be presented from the stage. Free to all ticket holders.

**Broadcast / Archived Stream:** A broadcast of these performances will air Tuesday, November 5 at 8 pm on Classical KDFC 90.3 San Francisco, 104.9 San Jose, 89.9 Napa, and [kdfc.com](https://kdfc.com) where it will be available for on demand streaming for 21 days following the broadcast.

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**GET OUT – FEATURE FILM with the SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY**

[Wednesday, October 30, 2019 at 7:30 pm](#)

**Michael Abels** conductor  
**DC6 Singers** original singers from the film  
**San Francisco Symphony**

**Michael ABELS**  
*Get Out*

**Jordan PEELE** director

Tickets: \$35–125

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## **COCO – FEATURE FILM with the SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY**

➤ *Film Series*

[Friday, November 1, 2019 at 7:30 pm](#)  
[Saturday, November 2, 2019 at 7:30 pm](#)

**Emil DeCou** conductor  
**San Francisco Symphony**

**Michael GIACCHINO**  
*Coco*

**Lee UNKRICH** director

Tickets: \$115–225

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## **DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS COMMUNITY CONCERT with the SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY**

[Saturday, November 2, 2019 at 2 pm \(lobby festivities begin at 1 pm\)](#)

**Jacomo Bairos** conductor  
**Monsieur Periné**  
**Casa Círculo Cultural**  
**San Francisco Symphony**

**GOULD**  
*Rhumba* from *Latin American Symphonette*

**Gabriela Lena FRANK**  
*Jungle Jaunt*

**COPLAND**  
*El Salón México*

**Gabriela Lena FRANK**  
Selections from *Día de los Muertos*

**REVUELTAS**



Janitzo

**GOULD**

Conga from Latin American symphonette

**LECUONA (arr. GOULD)**

Gitanerías

**Varoious / Monsieur Periné with the San Francisco Symphony**

**Jacomo Bairos** conductor

**Monsieur Periné**

Bring the entire family and join the San Francisco Symphony in celebrating Latin-American music and culture for the Day of the Dead. Arrive an hour prior to each show for refreshments, live music and dancing, colorful altars, traditional crafts, and more.

**Día de los Muertos VIP Lunch**

Enhance your concert experience with one of four VIP Lunch options starting at \$275. The Lunch package includes premium concert seating plus a 3-course lunch in the Green Room at the War Memorial Veterans Building, a block from Davies Hall in SF's historic Civic Center district. The seated Día de los Muertos lunch starts at 11 am with hors d'oeuvres, mimosas and sangria amongst vibrant tables filled with unique and exciting *auction* items.

The family friendly VIP Lunch packages also include children's activity tables and a lively Catrina procession to Davies Hall. Children's packages are available for ages 16 and under at a reduced price. Call the Volunteer Council for details at (415) 503-5500.

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**CHAMBER MUSIC with MEMBERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY**

[Sunday, November 3, 2019 at 2 pm](#)

**MOZART**

Serenade No. 12 for winds in C minor, K. 388

**Bruce Roberts and Jessica Valeri** horn

**James Button and TBD** oboe

**Jerome Simas and Carey Bell** clarinet

**Steven Paulsen and Rob Weir** bassoon

**SHOSTAKOVICH (arr. Atovmyan)**

Five Pieces for Violin, Viola, and Piano

**Katie Kadarau** viola

**Matthew Young** viola

**Elizabeth Schuman** piano

**BEETHOVEN**

String Quartet No. 15 in A minor, Opus 132

**Daniel Carlson** violin

**Melissa Kleinbart** violin

**Jonathan Vinocour** viola

**Amos Yang** cello

Tickets: \$40

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## **RAY CHEN in RECITAL**

➤ *Great Performers Series*

[Sunday, November 3, 2019 at 7:30 pm](#)

**Ray Chen** violin  
**Julio Elizalde** piano

### **GRIEG**

Violin Sonata No. 3 in G major, Opus 13

### **SAINT-SAËNS**

Violin Sonata No. 1 in D minor, Opus 75

### **J. S. BACH**

Chaconne from Partita No. 2 in D minor for Solo Violin, BWV 1004

### **DEBUSSY (arr. Roelens)**

*Clair de lune*

### **RAVEL**

*Tzigane*

Tickets: \$20–95

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## **SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, TON KOOPMAN CONDUCTING**

[Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 2 pm](#)

[Friday, November 8, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, November 9, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

**Ton Koopman** conductor  
**Alexander Barantschik** violin  
**San Francisco Symphony**

### **REBEL**

*Chaos* from *Les Éléments* [First SFS Performances]

### **J.S. BACH**

Violin Concerto No. 1 in A minor, BWV 1041

### **J.S. BACH**

Orchestral Suite No. 4 in D major, BWV 1069

### **HAYDN**

Symphony No. 100 in G major, *Military*

Tickets: \$20–160

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## **CHICK COREA in RECITAL, “FROM MOZART TO MONK”**

➤ *Great Performers Series*

[Sunday, November 10, 2019 at 7:30 pm](#)

**Chick Corea** piano

Tickets: \$30–110

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## **SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, SIMONE YOUNG CONDUCTING**

[Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Friday, November 15, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, November 16, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

**Simone Young** conductor

**Emily Magee** soprano (Sieglinde) [SFS debut]

**Stuart Skelton** tenor (Siegmond)

**Ain Anger** bass (Hunding)

**San Francisco Symphony**

**R. STRAUSS**

*Metamorphosen*

**WAGNER**

Act I from *Die Walküre*

Tickets: \$20–160

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## **SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY YOUTH ORCHESTRA**

[Sunday, November 17, 2019 at 2 pm](#)

**Daniel Stewart** conductor

**San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra**

Tickets: \$20–55

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## **SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MANFRED HONECK CONDUCTING**

[Friday, November 22, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Saturday, November 23, 2019 at 8 pm](#)

[Sunday, November 24, 2019 at 2 pm](#)

**Manfred Honeck** conductor

**Leif Ove Andsnes** piano

**San Francisco Symphony**

**MOZART**

Piano Concerto No. 22 in E-flat major, K.482

**BRUCKNER**

Symphony No. 4 in E-flat major, *Romantic*

Tickets: \$20–160

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## **GHOSTBUSTERS – FEATURE FILM with the SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY**

➤ *Film Series*

[Friday, November 29, 2019 at 7:30 pm](#)

[Saturday, November 30, 2019 at 7:30 pm](#)

**Peter Bernstein** conductor  
**San Francisco Symphony**

**Elmer BERNSTEIN**  
*Ghost Busters*

**Ivan REITMAN** director

Tickets: \$50–160

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