SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY
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SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY
MAY - JUNE 2013 CONCERT CALENDAR AND PROGRAM UPDATES

Tickets to all concerts are available at sfsymphony.org, by phone at 415-864-6000, and at the Davies Symphony Hall Box Office, on Grove Street between Van Ness Avenue and Franklin Street in San Francisco.

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

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

Thursday, May 2 at 8 pm
Friday, May 3 at 8 pm

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
Ragnar Bohlin conductor
Sally Matthews soprano
Tamara Mumford mezzo-soprano
Barry Banks tenor
Andrew Foster-Williams bass-baritone
Joseph Brent mandolin
San Francisco Symphony and Chorus

~~**Beethoven** Overture to *The Creatures of Prometheus*, Opus 43~~
Beethoven (Arr. Ragnar Bohlin) *Adelaide,* Opus 46
Beethoven *Cantata on the Death of Emperor Joseph II,* WoO 87
Beethoven Sonatina for Mandolin and Fortepiano, WoO 44
Beethoven Symphony No. 2 in D major, Opus 36

Tickets: $37-$146

MTT AND SFS SYMPOSIUM - BEETHOVEN: BEFORE AND AFTER

Saturday, May 4 at 1 pm

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
William Meredith speaker
Members of the San Francisco Symphony

Explore Beethoven's inspirations, his music, and his legacy in three one-hour sessions combining performance and discussion. Topics include Beethoven's earliest music, the mystical world of *Missa solemnis*, and the collision of the composer's late quartets with John Adams' musical language in Adams' Beethoven-inspired

work for string quartet and orchestra, *Absolute Jest*. Guests include Music Director Michael Tilson Thomas and William Meredith, Director of the Ira F. Brilliant Center for Beethoven Studies at San Jose State University. Produced in cooperation with the Ira F. Brilliant Center for Beethoven Studies, San Jose State University.

Tickets: $20

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

Saturday, May 4 at 8 pm
Sunday, May 5 at 2 pm
Thursday, May 9 at 8 pm

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
Michael Fabiano tenor
St. Lawrence String Quartet
San Francisco Symphony

Beethoven Three *Equali* for Four Trombones, WoO 30
Beethoven *An die ferne Geliebte,* Opus 98
John Adams *Absolute Jest* (San Francisco Symphony Co-Commission)
Beethoven Symphony No. 4 in B-flat major, Opus 60

Tickets: $15-$150

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

Friday, May 10 at 8 pm*
Saturday, May 11 at 8 pm

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
Ragnar Bohlin conductor
Laura Claycomb soprano
Sasha Cooke mezzo-soprano
Michael Fabiano tenor
Shenyang bass-baritone
San Francisco Symphony and Chorus

Palestrina Kyrie, Gloria, and Agnus Dei from *Missa Papae Marcelli*
Beethoven *Missa solemnis* in D major, Opus 123

Tickets: $42-$155
**Davies After Hours, a post-concert music event featuring Meklit & Quinn, and sculpture by Cyrus Tilton courtesy of Vessel Gallery in Oakland, begins immediately following the Friday, May 10 concert in the Second Tier lobby-turned-lounge. Free to May 10 ticketholders.*

CHAMBER MUSIC WITH SF SYMPHONY MUSICIANS

Sunday, May 12 at 2 pm

Beethoven String Quartet No. 2 in G major, Opus 18

Yun Chu violin
Amy Hiraga violin
Nanci Severance viola
Peter Wyrick cello

Beethoven String Quartet No. 10 in E-flat major, Opus 74, *Harp*

Dan Carlson violin
Melissa Kleinbart violin
Katie Kadarauch viola
Amos Yang cello

Beethoven String Quartet No. 12 in E-flat, Opus 127

Mariko Smiley violin
Kelly Leon-Pearce violin
Gina Feinauer viola
Margaret Tait cello

Tickets: $36

JANELLE MONÁE with the SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

Thursday, May 16 at 8 pm

Janelle Monáe
San Francisco Symphony

This benefit evening features singer, songwriter, and high funkstress Janelle Monáe performing with the San Francisco Symphony is a don't-miss fusion of great music in a one-night-only event. This concert begins with a sparkling wine reception in the grand lobbies of Davies Symphony Hall, and is followed by a concert featuring the San Francisco Symphony and Janelle Monáe's funky, soulful hip-hop and R&B. Then, celebrate at a glamorous and exciting after-party in San Francisco's majestic City Hall, with live music, cocktails, and savory treats. *Cocktail attire preferred. Must be 21 or older.*

Tickets: $90-$275. Dinner packages $400-1000. Purchase online or call the Volunteer Council at (415) 503-5500 with questions about ticket packages.

Proceeds benefit the San Francisco Symphony's education and community programs, providing music education to more than 75,000 Bay Area children each year.

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

Wednesday, May 15 at 10 am (Open Rehearsal)
Friday, May 17 at 8 pm
Saturday, May 18 at 8 pm

Marek Janowski conductor
Arabella Steinbacher violin
Alban Gerhardt cello
San Francisco Symphony

Schumann *Manfred* Overture, Opus 115
Brahms Double Concerto in A minor, Opus 102
Schumann Symphony No. 3, Opus 97, *Rhenish*

Tickets: Open Rehearsal $22-$40; Concerts $15-$150

CHAMBER MUSIC WITH SF SYMPHONY MUSICIANS

Florence Gould Theatre at the Legion of Honor
Sunday, May 19 at 2 pm

Alexander Barantschik violin
Jonathan Vinocour viola
Peter Wyrick cello
~~**Michael Grebanier** cello~~
Anton Nel piano

Beethoven Piano Quartet in E-flat major, Opus 16
~~**Barber** Cello Sonata in C minor, Opus 6~~
Schubert Arpeggione Sonata, D. 821
Schumann Piano Trio in D minor, Opus 63

Tickets: $54 ($50 for Legion of Honor members)

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Sunday, May 19 at 2 pm

Donato Cabrera conductor
San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra

Nathaniel Stookey *Mahlerwerk*
Beethoven Symphony No. 5 in C minor, Opus 67
Ligeti *Atmosphères*
Ravel *Daphnis and Chloe* Suite No. 2

Tickets: $12-$45

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

Wednesday, May 22 at 8 pm
Thursday, May 23 at 8 pm (Green Music Center – Sonoma State University)
Friday, May 24 at 6:30 pm
Saturday, May 25 at 8 pm

David Robertson conductor
Marc-André Hamelin piano
San Francisco Symphony

Carter Variations for Orchestra

Ravel Piano Concerto in D major for the Left Hand
Gershwin *Rhapsody in Blue*
Ravel *La Valse*

Tickets: $15-$155

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

Wednesday, May 29 at 10 am (Open Rehearsal)
Wednesday, May 29 at 8 pm
Thursday, May 30 at 2 pm
Friday, May 31 at 8 pm
Sunday, June 2 at 2 pm

Juraj Valčuha conductor
Gautier Capuçon cello
San Francisco Symphony

Dvořák Cello Concerto in B minor, Opus 104
Kodály *Dances of Galánta*
Bartók Suite from *The Wooden Prince,* Opus 13

Tickets: Open Rehearsal $22-$40; Concerts $15-$146

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

Saturday, June 1 at 8 pm

Juraj Valčuha conductor
Gautier Capuçon cello
San Francisco Symphony

Dvořák Cello Concerto in B minor, Opus 104
Dvořák Symphony No. 9 in E minor, Opus 95, *From the New World*

Tickets: $41-$150

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

Thursday, June 6 at 2 pm
Friday, June 7 at 8 pm
Saturday, June 8 at 8 pm
Sunday, June 9 at 2 pm

Kirill Karabits conductor
Alexander Barantschik violin
Jonathan Vinocour viola
San Francisco Symphony

Honegger *Pacific 231*

Britten Double Concerto in B minor for Violin and Viola
Sibelius Symphony No. 2 in D major, Opus 43

Tickets: $15-$150

AN EVENING WITH RUFUS WAINWRIGHT

Sunday, June 9 at 8 pm

Rufus Wainwright piano, guitar and vocals

Please note: this is a solo performance; the San Francisco Symphony is not performing on this concert.

Tickets: $20-$88

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

Thursday, June 13 at 2 pm
Friday, June 14 at 8 pm
Saturday, June 15 at 8 pm

Roberto Abbado conductor
Jonathan Biss piano
San Francisco Symphony

Schumann *Genoveva* Overture, Opus 81
Schumann Piano Concerto in A minor, Opus 54
Ivan Fedele *Scena* (US Premiere)
Schubert Symphony No. 3 in D major, D.200

Tickets: $15-$150

A SUMMER CELEBRATION, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

Monday, June 17 at 8 pm

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
Donato Cabrera conductor
Ragnar Bohlin conductor
Lisa Vroman soprano
Gil Shaham violin
Jean-Yves Thibaudet piano
San Francisco Symphony and Chorus
Plus special guests

Ligeti *Lux Aeterna*
Ravel Excerpts from Piano Concerto in G major
Tchaikovsky Finale from Violin Concerto in D major, Opus 35
Rachmaninoff Symphony No. 2 in E minor, Opus 27, Allegro vivace
Gershwin Promenade: “Walking the Dog” from *Shall We Dance?*

Rodgers/Hammerstein "Honey Bun" and "This Nearly Was Mine" from *South Pacific*
Stephen Schwartz "Changed for Good/Defying Gravity" from *Wicked*

Tickets: $37-$146

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

Wednesday, June 19 at 10 am (Open Rehearsal)
Wednesday June 19 at 8 pm
Thursday, June 20 at 2 pm

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
Gil Shaham violin
San Francisco Symphony

Stravinsky *Agon*
Stravinsky Violin Concerto in D major
Stravinsky *The Rite of Spring* [1947 revision]

Tickets: Open Rehearsal $22-$40; Concerts $34-$156

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

Friday, June 21 at 6:30 pm
Saturday, June 22 at 8 pm

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor
Dmitri Pokrovsky Ensemble
San Francisco Symphony

Traditional Russian Folk Songs
~~**Stravinsky** *Renard*~~
Stravinsky *Les Noces*
Stravinsky *The Rite of Spring* [1947 revision]

Tickets: $15-$150

CHAMBER MUSIC WITH SF SYMPHONY MUSICIANS

Sunday, June 23 at 2 pm

Dalit Warshaw *Transformations* for String Quartet and Theremin

> **John Chishom** violin
> **Chunming Mo** violin
> **Yun Jie Liu** viola
> **Barbara Bogatin** cello
> **Dalit Warshaw** theremin

Dalit Warshaw *Nizk'orah* for Cello, Piano and Theremin

Barbara Bogatin cello
Robin Sutherland piano
Dalit Warshaw theremin

Martinů *Piano Quintet No. 1*, H.229

Jonathan D. Fischer oboe
John Chisholm violin
Chunming Mo violin
Yun Jie Liu viola
Barbara Bogatin cello
Robin Sutherland piano

Brahms Piano Quartet in A major, Opus 26

Nadya Tichman violin
Katie Kadarauch viola
Michael Grebanier cello
Marc Shapiro piano

Tickets: $36

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY, MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS CONDUCTING

Thursday, June 27 at 8 pm
Friday, June 28 at 8 pm*
Saturday, June 29 at 8 pm
Sunday, June 30 at 2 pm
Tuesday, July 2 at 8 pm

Michael Tilson Thomas conductor

Cheyenne Jackson Tony
Alexandra Silber Maria
Jessica Vosk Anita
Kevin Vortman Riff
Juliana Hansen Rosalia
Cassie Simone Francisca
Louise Cornillez Consuelo
Justin Keyes Action
Zach Ford Diesel
Chris Meissner Baby John
Louis Pardo A-rab
David Michael Laffey Big Deal
Kelly Markgraf Bernardo
Julia Bullock A Girl

San Francisco Symphony
San Francisco Symphony Chorus Jets, Sharks, Girls
Ragnar Bohlin director

Bernstein *West Side Story*

Based on a conception of Jerome Robbins
Book by Arthur Laurents

Music by Leonard Bernstein
Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim

Entire Original Production Directed and Choreographed by Jerome Robbins

Orchestrations by Leonard Bernstein with Sid Ramin and Irwin Kostal

Casting by Jay Binder, C.S.A.
Additional Casting by Michael Donovan, C.S.A.

Tickets: $34-$160

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