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(High-resolution images for the San Francisco Symphony's Film Series are available for download from the [Online Press Kit](#).)

**THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY'S 2021-22 FILM SERIES KICKS OFF WITH SCREENINGS OF ROB REINER'S *THE PRINCESS BRIDE* AND RON HOWARD'S *APOLLO 13*, SEPTEMBER 22-23 & 24-25, PERFORMED LIVE TO PICTURE**

Tickets for all performances on sale NOW at [sfsymphony.org](http://sfsymphony.org)

**2021-22 SEASON FILM PROGRAMMING ALSO INCLUDES RICHARD CURTIS' *LOVE ACTUALLY*, CHRIS COLUMBUS' *HOME ALONE*, ROBERT ZEMECKIS' *BACK TO THE FUTURE*, SAM MENDES' *SKYFALL*, DISNEY AND PIXAR'S *TOY STORY IN CONCERT*, AND THE WACHOWSKIS' *THE MATRIX***

**SPECIAL FILM PRESENTATIONS INCLUDE BUSTER KEATON'S *THE GENERAL* FEATURING ORGANIST CAMERON CARPENTER AND *GET HAPPY: A JUDY GARLAND CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION***

ESA-PEKKA SALONEN, MUSIC DIRECTOR

**SAN FRANCISCO, CA**—The San Francisco Symphony’s Film Series returns in the 2021–22 season, featuring the Orchestra performing the live accompaniment to iconic films as they are projected on a large screen above the stage. The Film Series kicks off September 22–23 with Rob Reiner’s *The Princess Bride*, featuring Sarah Hicks conducting the SF Symphony in Mark Knopfler’s original soundtrack, followed by Ron Howard’s Academy Award®-winning drama *Apollo 13* with Constantine Kitsopoulos leading the Orchestra in music by James Horner, September 24–25. Tickets are available now and can be purchased online at [sfsymphony.org](https://sfsymphony.org) or by calling the San Francisco Symphony Box Office at 415-864-6000.

Film programming continues during the holidays with performances of Richard Curtis’ *Love Actually* December 14–15, featuring Thiago Tiberio conducting the SF Symphony in music by Craig Armstrong, and Chris Columbus’ *Home Alone* with a score by John Williams, conducted by Joshua Gersen, December 16 and 18. On January 7–8, Nicholas Buc leads performances of Robert Zemeckis’ *Back to the Future* featuring music by Alan Silvestri. Additional film presentations include Sam Mendes’ *Skyfall* March 16–17, featuring David Newman conducting Thomas Newman’s score, and Disney and Pixar’s *Toy Story in Concert* March 18–19, featuring a screening of the complete film with Oscar® and Grammy®-winning composer Randy Newman’s score performed live by the SF Symphony and conducted by Christopher Dragon. Concluding the 2021–22 season Film Series is *The Matrix*, directed by the Wachowskis and featuring Don Davis conducting his own score, July 1–2.

The SF Symphony’s 2021–22 season also includes special presentations of Buster Keaton’s silent film *The General*, featuring musical accompaniment by organist Cameron Carpenter, on March 27, and *Get Happy: A Judy Garland Centennial Celebration*, an event commemorating the life of Judy Garland with the San Francisco Symphony and guest artists performing works from her legendary songbook, accompanied by rare performance footage, intimate home movies, cherished photographs, and interviews projected live-to-screen, on June 29.

#### CALENDAR EDITORS, PLEASE NOTE:

- Davies Symphony Hall is located at 201 Van Ness Avenue in San Francisco.
- Tickets for concerts at Davies Symphony can be purchased via [sfsymphony.org](https://sfsymphony.org) or by calling the San Francisco Symphony Box Office at 415-864-6000. Tickets prices range from \$25 to \$199.
- Davies Symphony Hall is currently operating at full audience capacity. The San Francisco Symphony requires proof of full vaccination against COVID-19 for everyone ages 12 and up entering Davies Symphony Hall—including patrons, performers, volunteers, and staff. Full vaccination is defined as completion of the two-dose regimen of Pfizer or Moderna vaccines or one dose of Johnson & Johnson vaccine administered two weeks or more in advance of the concert. Audience members under age 12 must show proof of a negative COVID-19 test (PCR test within 72 hours of the event, or antigen [rapid] test within 24 hours of the event). All patrons are required to wear a face mask while attending performances. Details about health and safety protocols at Davies Symphony Hall can be found [here](#).

#### SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY’S 2021–22 FILM SERIES

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##### FILM SERIES

*The Princess Bride*—Film with Live Orchestra

[Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 7:30pm](#)

[Thursday, September 23, 2021 at 7:30pm](#)

[Sarah Hicks](#) conductor  
San Francisco Symphony

MARK KNOPFLER *The Princess Bride*

ROB REINER director

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#### FILM SERIES

*Apollo 13*—Film with Live Orchestra  
[Friday, September 24, 2021 at 7:30pm](#)  
[Saturday, September 25, 2021 at 7:30pm](#)

[Constantine Kitsopoulos](#) conductor  
San Francisco Symphony

JAMES HORNER *Apollo 13*

RON HOWARD director

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#### FILM SERIES

*Love Actually*—Film with Live Orchestra  
[Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 7:30pm](#)  
[Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 7:30pm](#)

[Thiago Tiberio](#) conductor  
San Francisco Symphony

CRAIG ARMSTRONG *Love Actually*

RICHARD CURTIS director

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#### FILM SERIES

*Home Alone*—Film with Live Orchestra  
[Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 7:30pm](#)  
[Saturday, December 18, 2021 at 2pm](#)

[Joshua Gersen](#) conductor  
San Francisco Symphony

JOHN WILLIAMS *Home Alone*

CHRIS COLUMBUS director

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**FILM SERIES**

*Back to the Future*—Film with Live Orchestra

[Friday, January 7, 2022 at 7:30pm](#)

[Saturday, January 8, 2022 at 7:30pm](#)

[Nicholas Buc](#) conductor

San Francisco Symphony

ALAN SILVESTRI *Back to the Future*

ROBERT ZEMECKIS director

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**FILM SERIES**

*Skyfall*—Film with Live Orchestra

[Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at 7:30pm](#)

[Thursday, March 17, 2022 at 7:30pm](#)

[David Newman](#) conductor

San Francisco Symphony

THOMAS NEWMAN *Skyfall*

SAM MENDES director

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**FILM SERIES**

*Toy Story in Concert*—Film with Live Orchestra

[Friday, March 18, 2022 at 7:30pm](#)

[Saturday, March 19, 2022 at 2pm](#)

[Christopher Dragon](#) conductor

San Francisco Symphony

RANDY NEWMAN *Toy Story*

JOHN LASSETER director

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### SPECIAL EVENT

**Buster Keaton's *The General*—Silent Film with Organist Cameron Carpenter**

[Sunday, March 27, 2022 at 3pm](#)

[Cameron Carpenter](#) organ

**BUSTER KEATON** *The General*

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### SPECIAL EVENT

**GET HAPPY: A JUDY GARLAND CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION**

[Wednesday, June 29, 2022 at 7:30pm](#)

**San Francisco Symphony**

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### FILM SERIES

**THE MATRIX LIVE—Film with Live Orchestra**

[Friday, July 1, 2022 at 7:30pm](#)

[Saturday, July 2, 2022 at 7:30pm](#)

[Don Davis](#) conductor

**San Francisco Symphony**

**DON DAVIS** *The Matrix*

**THE WACHOWSKIS** directors

Agency of production: Europäische Filmphilharmonie (EFPI)

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