

## SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY FREE & COMMUNITY CONCERTS AND HERITAGE EVENTS

The San Francisco Symphony is deeply committed to enriching and serving the vibrant cultural landscape of the Bay Area. The Orchestra performs a variety of free and low-cost family and community concerts throughout the year, offering the Bay Area broad opportunities to hear and experience orchestral music.

### All San Francisco Concert September 6, 2018 at 8 pm



The San Francisco Symphony's annual **All San Francisco Concert** is a special Davies Symphony Hall performance for San Francisco social service and neighborhood organizations, in recognition and gratitude for the work these groups do to enrich the lives of and serve the citizens of San Francisco. Volunteers and employees from more than 100 community organizations, including La Casa de las Madres, Women's Audio Mission, First Exposures, the Justice & Diversity Center, and others are invited to this concert.

San Francisco Symphony's **Deck the Hall Community Day** is a holiday tradition which treats 4,000 children from public programs to holiday concerts free of

charge, with invitations extended to around 400 Bay Area public elementary schools, child welfare agencies, child development centers, and community children's centers. Deck the Hall programs are created for students in pre-kindergarten through 3rd grade and performances traditionally include participation from various Bay Area children's arts organizations, such as the San Francisco Boys Chorus, San Francisco Ballet School, and the Young Women's Choral Project, among others.

### Deck the Hall Community Day

December 3, 2018  
at 10 am & 11:30 am



### Free Community Chamber Concerts



The SFS further helps to make classical music accessible to San Francisco communities by offering a number of free concerts throughout the year. The Symphony brings free **Community Chamber Concerts** into spaces across the city, reaffirming its commitment to being San Francisco's orchestra. These concerts bring music and connection to new and diverse audiences, creating lasting partnerships that further impact Bay Area communities through music. In 2017, ensembles performed for a range of people at locations such as the San Francisco Botanical Gardens, the San Francisco LGBT Center, Portola Family Connections, and the UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital. These impactful concerts were made possible with support from the James Irvine Foundation. The Community Chamber Concerts program continues in the 2018–19 season, as we continue to further strengthen community partnerships and explore new venues throughout the city. In summer 2019, the Symphony also continues its tradition of performing at the Stern Grove Festival, an admission-free performing arts series that has taken place every summer since 1938 in Sigmund Stern Grove.

## Día de Los Muertos Community Concert

November 3, 2018 at 2 pm



The San Francisco Symphony continues its long-standing commitment of celebrating the Bay Area's rich cultural heritage by providing compelling musical experiences that celebrate the diversity of its community. The Symphony's **Día de los Muertos** and **Chinese New Year** events are made possible thanks to the ongoing support of the San Francisco Arts Commission.

The Orchestra's annual **Día de los Muertos** community concerts are a multidimensional immersion in the vibrant cultural traditions of the Latin American Day of the Dead holiday. Each year these concerts come together through collaboration with various Bay Area Latin organizations and artists, which have included Casa Círculo Cultural, The Mexican Museum, and the Consulate General of Mexico in San Francisco.

To learn more, watch [this video](#) about the San Francisco Symphony's **Día de los Muertos** celebration.

## Chinese New Year Concert & Imperial Dinner

February 16, 2019 at 4 pm

In February, the SFS presents its annual **Chinese New Year Concert & Imperial Dinner**—a festive celebration that draws upon vibrant Asian traditions, featuring a performance of Eastern and Western repertoire by the Symphony and an array of family-friendly pre-concert entertainment. Pre-concert lobby activities include arts and crafts, lion dancing, games, “lucky” red envelopes, complimentary sweet and savory bites, and tea bars. Tickets can be purchased separately for the elegant and exciting Imperial Dinner, which follows the concert. Proceeds from the Imperial Dinner benefit the Symphony's myriad education and community programs.



Watch [this video](#) to learn more about the Symphony's annual Chinese New Year celebration.