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SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY ANNOUNCES TWO PERFORMANCES OF VERDI'S REQUIEM ALONGSIDE THREE CHORAL PIECES BY GORDON GETTY, JUNE 20 & 22

James Gaffigan conducts the SF Symphony & Chorus, soprano Rachel Willis-Sørensen, mezzo-soprano Jamie Barton, tenor Mario Chang, and bass Morris Robinson in these performances

Tickets are on sale now at sfsymphony.org

SAN FRANCISCO, CA—The San Francisco Symphony announces two newly-added performances June 20 & 22 featuring Giuseppe Verdi's Requiem alongside three songs by Gordon Getty. Conducted by James Gaffigan and featuring the SF Symphony and Chorus, soprano Rachel Willis-Sørensen, mezzosoprano Jamie Barton, tenor Mario Chang, and bass Morris Robinson, Verdi's Requiem is a dramatic and deeply-felt setting of the Catholic funeral mass. These concerts offer the opportunity for Bay Area audiences to hear the piece, which was originally scheduled to be performed in September 2024.

The program opens with three short works for chorus and orchestra by Gordon Getty, noted composer and longtime friend of the Symphony: the world premiere of *St. Christopher*; the concert premiere of the Intermezzo from *Goodbye, Mr. Chips*, Getty's 2021 opera based on James Hilton's classic novella; and the first San Francisco Symphony performances of *The Old Man in the Snow*, featuring a poem by Getty.

CALENDAR EDITORS, PLEASE NOTE:

Tickets

Tickets for concerts at Davies Symphony Hall can be purchased via <u>sfsymphony.org</u> or by calling the San Francisco Symphony Box Office at 415.864.6000.

Location

Davies Symphony Hall is located at 201 Van Ness Avenue in San Francisco.

SPECIAL EVENT

Verdi Requiem & Gordon Getty Friday, June 20, 2025, at 7:30pm Sunday, June 22, 2025, at 2:00pm

James Gaffigan conductor
Rachel Willis-Sørensen soprano
Jamie Barton mezzo-soprano
Mario Chang tenor
Morris Robinson bass
San Francisco Symphony Chorus, Jenny Wong conductor and director
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GORDON GETTY Intermezzo from *Goodbye*, *Mr. Chips* [Concert Premiere]

GORDON GETTY *St. Christopher* [World Premiere]

GORDON GETTY The Old Man in the Snow [First San Francisco Symphony Performances]

GIUSEPPE VERDI Requiem

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