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OPENING NIGHT!

GIL SHAHAM & PICTURES AT AN EXHIBITION

OCTOBER 7, 2023 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL

Andrew Constantine, conductor

Gil Shaham, violin

KORNGOLD

Violin Concerto in D Major, Op. 35

MUSSORGSKY

Pictures at an Exhibition (Arr. Ravel)

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CONCERTO FOR OBOE WITH ORION RAPP

NOVEMBER 11, 2023 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL
Andrew Constantine, conductor
Orion Rapp, oboe

BARBER Essay No. 1, Op. 12
VAUGHAN-WILLIAMS Concerto for Oboe and Strings in A minor
BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 7 in A major, Op. 92



CELLO VIRTUOSO THOMAS MESA

JANUARY 20, 2024 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL
Andrew Constantine, conductor
Thomas Mesa, cello

MONTGOMERY *Divided* for Solo Cello and String Orchestra
TCHAIKOVSKY Variations on a Rococo Theme, Op. 33
MENDELSSOHN Symphony No. 3 in A minor, Op. 56 (Scottish)



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MOZART REQUIEM

FEBRUARY 17, 2024 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL
Andrew Constantine, conductor
Fort Wayne Philharmonic Chorus
Michelle Cann, piano

CHOPIN
MOZART

Piano Concerto No. 1 in E minor, Op. 11
Requiem, K. 626



RACHEL BARTON PINE & DVOŘÁK'S 7TH

MARCH 9, 2024 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL
Andrew Constantine, conductor
Rachel Barton Pine, violin

C. ASSAD
BARBER
DVOŘÁK

Impressions – Suite for String Orchestra
Violin Concerto, Op. 14
Symphony No. 7, Op. 70



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BEETHOVEN WITH PHILIPPE QUINT

APRIL 13, 2024 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL

Andrew Constantine, conductor

Philippe Quint, violin

ELGAR

Falstaff, Op. 68

BEETHOVEN

Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 61



FABIO BIDINI PLAYS RACHMANINOFF

MAY 4, 2024 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL

Andrew Constantine, conductor

Fabio Bidini, piano

WALTON

Symphony No. 1 in B-flat minor

RACHMANINOFF

Piano Concerto No. 2 in C minor, Op. 18

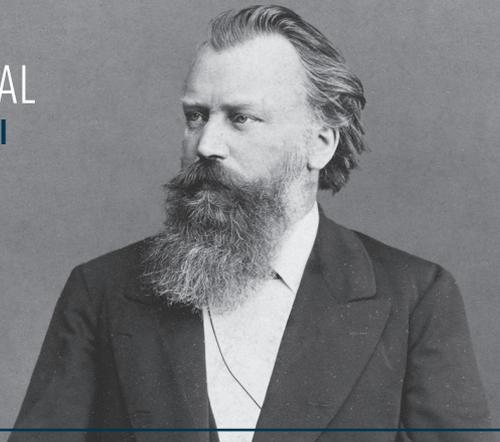
MASTERWORKS SPECIAL

THE ROMANCE OF BRAHMS: PART I

FEBRUARY 2, 2024 | 7:30 PM

AUER PERFORMANCE HALL

Brahms Symphonies No. 1 & 2



POPS SERIES

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HEATHER HEADLEY

OCTOBER 14, 2023 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL
Heather Headley, vocals

Tony Award winner (*Aida*), Grammy Award winner (*Audience of One*), and Fort Wayne native (Northrop High School graduate) Heather Headley joins the Fort Wayne Philharmonic for an evening of Broadway showstoppers and songs of inspiration.



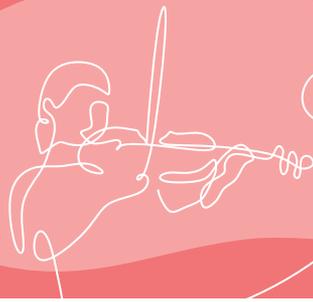
HOLIDAY POPS

DECEMBER 14-17, 2023 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL
Andrew Constantine, conductor
Fort Wayne Philharmonic Chorus

Fort Wayne's favorite holiday tradition continues as Andrew Constantine leads the Philharmonic, Philharmonic Chorus, and special guest in sounds of the season.



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BYRON STRIPLING'S MARDI GRAS

FEBRUARY 3, 2024 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL

Andrew Constantine, conductor

Byron Stripling, trumpet

The French Quarter comes to Fort Wayne! Conjuring the spirit and swagger of Louis Armstrong, trumpeter Byron Stripling leads the Mardi Gras Parade of music that made the Crescent City famous.



SINATRA AND BEYOND WITH TONY DESARE

MARCH 23, 2024 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL

Caleb Young, conductor

Tony DeSare, piano

Crooner extraordinaire and pianist Tony DeSare puts a fresh take on the legend of Ole Blue Eyes. Enjoy Sinatra standards including "Come Fly with Me," "The Summer Wind," "New York, New York," and "My Way."



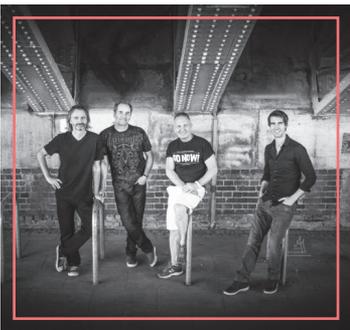
GO NOW! MUSIC OF THE MOODY BLUES

MAY 11, 2024 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL

Michael Krajewski, conductor

GO NOW! The Music of the Moody Blues – The Tribute

Drummer Gordy Marshall, who played with The Moody Blues for twenty-five years, and Mick Wilson present a super-group of world class musicians, who meticulously recreate the magnificence of a Moody Blues concert live with symphony orchestra.



SPECIAL EVENTS

STAR WARS™

THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK

IN CONCERT



FILM LIVE WITH ORCHESTRA

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STAR WARS: THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK

SEPTEMBER 16, 2023 | 7:30 PM | FOELLINGER THEATRE

Chia-Hsuan Lin, conductor

The battle for the galaxy intensifies in the fifth episode of the Star Wars saga. Imperial Forces launch an all-out attack on the Rebel Alliance and Darth Vader captures Han Solo and Princess Leia. Luke Skywalker learns the ways of the Force from Jedi Master Yoda, and Luke and Darth Vader join in a life and death duel. Experience it all projected on the big screen as the Fort Wayne Philharmonic performs John Williams' epic score live!

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THE MUPPET CHRISTMAS CAROL

NOVEMBER 16, 2023 | 7:30 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL
Caleb Young, conductor

It's holiday fun for the whole family as Charles Dickens's classic tale comes to life through the magic of Jim Henson and The Muppets. Kermit and the gang help Ebenezer Scrooge (portrayed by the legendary Michael Caine) find redemption and his Christmas spirit while the Fort Wayne Philharmonic provides the soundtrack. Featuring an original score by Miles Goodman and songs by Paul Williams.

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BACH IN THE BARN

APRIL 25-27, 2024 | 7:30 PM | JOSEPH DECUIS FARM
Andrew Constantine, conductor

Bach in the Barn is an intimate listening experience in a timeless countryside setting. Candlelit tables, wine paired with desserts, and classical masterworks to tie it together make for an unforgettable evening.

SAVE THE DATE

A SYMPHONY OF STEEL

DECEMBER 7, 2023

Be transported to the holidays of yesteryear when you enjoy holiday tunes performed by Fort Wayne Philharmonic ensembles in a unique setting of 120 historic automobiles.



MATINEE SERIES

Matinees are your chance to experience the music you love with the convenience of an earlier start time. Matinees are made possible by Rikki and Leonard* Goldstein.

HOLIDAY POPS

DECEMBER 16 + 17, 2023 | 2:00 PM
AUER PERFORMANCE HALL
Andrew Constantine, conductor

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NEW! THE SOUND OF INNOVATION

The Fort Wayne Philharmonic brings you a new chamber series.
Coming to Electric Works in Downtown Fort Wayne Fall 2023.

SAVE THE DATE! OCT. 20 + 21 | FEB. 9 + 10 | MAR. 15 + 16



ELECTRIC WORKS

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Experience highly intimate music-making at its best. The Brotherhood Mutual Freimann Series brings you chamber music classics up close and personal. This Season's Freimann performances will feature Romantic composers Johannes Brahms, Clara Schumann, and Robert Schumann, plus the engaging compositions of suffragette Ethel Smyth.

**FREIMANN**OCTOBER 25, 2023 | 7:30 PM | HISTORY CENTER
OCTOBER 29, 2023 | 2:00 PM | PFW**FREIMANN**JANUARY 24, 2024 | 7:30 PM | HISTORY CENTER
JANUARY 28, 2024 | 2:00 PM | PFW**FREIMANN**FEBRUARY 28, 2024 | 7:30 PM | HISTORY CENTER
MARCH 3, 2024 | 2:00 PM | PFW**FREIMANN**MAY 8, 2024 | 7:30 PM | HISTORY CENTER
MAY 12, 2024 | 2:00 PM | PFW

FAMILY SERIES



Family concerts are a staple for Northeast Indiana families looking for fun, educational music experiences. These kid-friendly performances will set your child up with a lifelong love of music. This year's family series gives your child a taste of music from around the globe, including the sounds of Mexico, China, the United States, and more!



DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS: A DAY OF THE DEAD CELEBRATION

OCTOBER 28, 2023 | 11:00 AM | PFW

Troy Webdell, conductor

Book: *Día de los Muertos* by Roseanne Greenfield Thong
Amaneceres de Mexico, partner

YEAR OF THE DRAGON: A LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

JANUARY 27, 2024 | 11:00 AM | ARTS UNITED CENTER

Troy Webdell, conductor

Book: *The Peasant Prince* by Li Cunxin
Fort Wayne Children's Choir, Fort Wayne Sister Cities & the Fort Wayne Chinese Association, partners

MYSTERY DESTINATION!

MARCH 2, 2024 | 11:00 AM | PFW

Troy Webdell, conductor

We are working with Northeast Indiana community partners to bring your family new experiences next year. Save the date for our March concert!

JOHNNY APPLESEED GOES TO THE SYMPHONY

APRIL 6, 2024 | 11:00 AM | ARTS UNITED CENTER

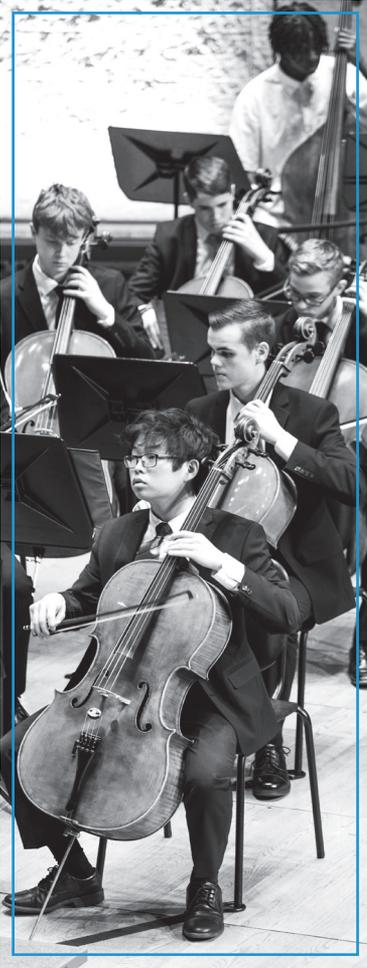
Troy Webdell, conductor

Book: *Johnny Appleseed* by Lori Haskins Houran
Christopher Murphy, Diane Hunter & the Fort Wayne Youtheatre, Artistic partners

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The Fort Wayne Philharmonic Youth Orchestras program provides student musicians with an authentic, professional orchestra experience. From classics to pops, enjoy the accomplishments of these young musicians.



FALL CONCERT

OCTOBER 22, 2023 | 6:00 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL

NIGHT OF LIGHTS

NOVEMBER 22, 2023 | 6:30 PM | GRAND WAYNE CENTER

FAME FESTIVAL

MARCH 16, 2024 | 5:00 PM | GRAND WAYNE CENTER

SPRING CONCERT

MARCH 24, 2024 | 4:00 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL

CLUB O CONCERT

MAY 9, 2024 | 6:00 PM | SOUTH SIDE HIGH SCHOOL

FINALE CONCERT

MAY 12, 2024 | 4:00 PM | AUER PERFORMANCE HALL

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• Renew today and be the first to add these great special events:

- Patriotic Pops at Parkview Field - JULY 1, 2023
- Moonshot signature event options available!
- Holiday Pops - DECEMBER 14-17, 2023
- *Messiah* by Candlelight - DECEMBER 22, 2023
- Bach in the Barn - APRIL 25-27, 2024

• Renewal Check List:

- Fill out the renewal form with your seat selections
- Add on Special Events concerts
- Include your donation to the Philharmonic

• Ways to Renew:

- Online at fwphil.org
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