

YAKIMA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

LAWRENCE GOLAN • THE HELEN N. JEWETT MUSIC DIRECTOR

2023-24 SEASON

A MUSICAL MOSAIC



Dear Friends and Supporters of the Yakima Symphony Orchestra:

One definition of a mosaic is "a combination of diverse elements forming a more or less coherent whole." That is a perfect description of the Yakima Symphony Orchestra's 2023-24 season, *A Musical Mosaic*. We will be presenting composers and guest artists from a wide variety of diverse backgrounds. As always, we strive for a balance between standards of the symphonic repertoire and pieces that you may not have heard before.

The first concert on The Yakima Valley Classical Series features the most popular piano concerto of all time, that of Tchaikovsky. It also includes the Symphony No. 1 by Florence Price, the first African American woman ever to have a symphony performed by a major American Orchestra, as well as a new piece written by our very own principal clarinetist, Angelique Poteat. The next concert combines Elgar's very famous Enigma Variations with two other great pieces by English composers. We'll be doing The Bamboula by the Black British composer Samuel Coleridge-Taylor and the Concerto for Violin and Horn by Ethel Smyth that will feature two Yakima favorites: Denise Dillenbeck on violin and Jeffrey Snedeker on horn. A Little Night Music will feature Mozart's immortal piece of the same name, known in German as Eine kleine Nachtmusik, and will also include music by Chinese, Czech, Mexican and Native American composers. The YSO's principal harpist, Jill Whitman, will perform Ennanga (African Harp) by William Grant Still. From Canvas to Concert Hall is a multi-media event that consists of orchestral pieces inspired by paintings, which will be played while the sources of inspiration are on display. Other highlights of the season include Mahler's Symphony No. 4, Mendelssohn's A Midsummer Night's Dream and Symphony No. 2 "Lobgesang" featuring the Yakima Symphony Chorus, and world premieres by Kenji Bunch and William Popp.

The Gilbert Orchards Pops Series is no less of a musical mosaic and, in fact, begins with an all-Mexican concert headlined by the piece *Mosaico Mexicano* by Arturo Rodríguez. For Halloween we will be showing the original *Phantom of the Opera* silent film, with the orchestra performing the soundtrack live. Our annual *Holiday Pops Spectacular* and a concert of video game music both highlight our symphony chorus, and we conclude the Pops Series with a tribute to Michael Jackson!

We are very much looking forward to seeing you for **A Musical Mosaic** and we hope that you are as excited about this wide variety of music as we are!

Sincerely,

Lawrence Golan, The Helen N. Jewett Music Director, Yakima Symphony Orchestra



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The Yakima Valley CLASSICAL SERIES

- Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto
- Elgar's Enigma
- A Little Night Music
- Heavenly Voices
- From Canvas to Concert Hall
- The Magnificent Mendelssohn

The Gilbert Orchards POPS SERIES

- Mosaico Mexicano
- Phantom of the Opera
- Holiday Pops Spectacular
- Video Games in Concert
- Who's Bad: The Symphonic Michael Jackson Experience

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A Musical Mosaic

THE YAKIMA VALLEY CLASSICAL SERIES

CLASSICAL I – Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto

October 14, 2023, 7:30pm

Poteat Breathe, Come Together, Embrace

Tchaikovsky Piano Concerto No. 1 Price Symphony No. 1

CLASSICAL II – Elgar's Enigma

November 11, 2023, 7:30pm Denise Dillenbeck, violin Jeffrey Snedeker, horn

Coleridge-Taylor The Bamboula

Smyth Concerto for Violin and Horn

Elgar Enigma Variations

CLASSICAL III – A Little Night Music

January 13, 2024, 7:30pm

Jill Whitman, harp

Mozart Eine kleine Nachtmusik

Tate Chokfi'

Still Ennanga (African Harp) **Bao** Going to the West Gate

Castro Minueto

Dvořák Serenade in E major

CLASSICAL IV – Heavenly Voices

February 3, 2024, 7:30pm Heather Hill, soprano

> Mozart Vorrei speigarvi, oh Dio! Hildegard Ave Maria, O auctrix vite

Theofanidis Rainbow Body Mahler Symphony No. 4

CLASSICAL V – From Canvas to Concert Hall

March 16, 2024, 7:30pm

Saint-Saëns Danse macabre

Popp The Galleries (world premiere)

Rachmaninoff The Isle of the Dead

Liszt Hunnenschlacht (Battle of the Huns)

CLASSICAL VI – The Magnificent Mendelssohn

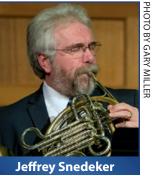
May 11, 2024, 7:30pm Yakima Symphony Chorus

Mendelssohn A Midsummer Night's Dream: Overture **Bunch** commissioned work (world premiere)

Mendelssohn Symphony No. 2, "Lobgesang"













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THE GILBERT ORCHARDS POPS SERIES



POPS I – Mosaico Mexicano

September 23, 2023, 7:30pm

An evening of Mexican orchestral delights, from fiery dances to beautiful love songs.

POPS II – Phantom of the Opera

October 28, 2023, 7:30pm

A screening of the 1925 classic silent horror film, with a new soundtrack by Craig Safan performed live by the Yakima Symphony Orchestra.

POPS III – Holiday Pops Spectacular

December 3, 2023, <u>4:00pm Sunday matinee</u> Yakima Symphony Chorus

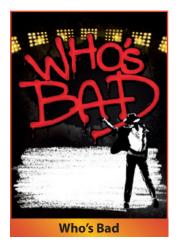
The Yakima Symphony Orchestra joins forces with the Yakima Symphony Chorus for this annual family tradition.



POPS IV – Video Games in Concert

March 2, 2024, 7:30pm Yakima Symphony Chorus

Music from the most popular video games of all time, from Final Fantasy and Kingdom Hearts to Halo and World of Warcraft



POPS V – Who's Bad: The Symphonic Michael Jackson Experience

April 20, 2024, 7:30pm

An unrivaled celebration of the one true King of Pop, featuring the world's premier Michael Jackson tribute act with live symphony orchestra.



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While the YSO has not raised ticket prices for 2023-24, the Capitol Theatre's Patron User Fee has increased from \$1 to \$2 per ticket for each concert this year. These funds are used to help maintain this century-old facility as both community landmark and fully functional performance venue. **These fees are included in the listed price of each subscription package**.

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The Yakima Symphony Orchestra offers student subscription prices to facilitate family seating for subscribers. Students and children must appear in person at the YSO office during business hours in order to pick up student subscription tickets, with valid student ID or visual proof of age. Student subscription tickets are non-refundable and non-exchangeable.

Early Bird Offer: Subscribe by May 16!

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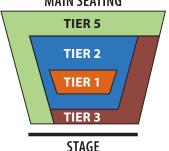
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Thank You! Season tickets will be mailed in late summer. Tickets are non-refundable. Ticket orders are processed in order of date received. Program and artists subject to change.

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MAIN SEATING



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