

Classics Series

CLASSICS ONE

Opening Night Tito Muñoz conducts *Carmina Burana*

SYMPHONY HALL

Sept 19, 2014 | 7:30 pm
Sept 20, 2014 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

Tito Muñoz, *conductor*
The Phoenix Symphony Chorus
Phoenix Boys Choir

Stravinsky: Suite from *The Firebird* (1919)
Orff: *Carmina burana*

DESCRIPTION

Celebrate a new chapter in the history of The Phoenix Symphony as Maestro Tito Muñoz makes his debut as The Phoenix Symphony's eleventh Virginia G. Piper Music Director. Join Maestro Muñoz in this powerful program as he leads The Phoenix Symphony, The Phoenix Symphony Chorus and Phoenix Boys Choir in Carl Orff's majestic and scenic cantata, *Carmina burana*, featuring the famous "O'Fortuna" movement heard in numerous movie and television commercial scores. This magical program also features Igor Stravinsky adventurous *Firebird* Suite, a masterwork of personal significance to Maestro Muñoz. Don't miss this historic evening and join Phoenix in welcoming Maestro Tito Muñoz.

CLASSICS THREE

Tchaikovsky's *Symphony No. 6*

SYMPHONY HALL

Oct 17, 2014 | 7:30 pm
Oct 18, 2014 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

Tito Muñoz, *conductor*
Steven Moeckel, *violin*

Rossini: Overture to *L'italiana in Algeri*
Mozart: Concerto No. 5 in A Major for Violin and Orchestra, K. 219 (*Turkish*)
Tchaikovsky: *Symphony No. 6* in B minor (*Pathétique*), op. 74

DESCRIPTION

Premiering just days before his death, Tchaikovsky's sixth and final symphony takes the audience on a pathos-laden journey exploring life, death and the human existence. This gripping and emotional symphony brings an unparalleled emotional honesty to orchestral music. The program also features The Phoenix Symphony's world renowned and Valley favorite Concertmaster Steven Moeckel performing Mozart's enchanting and lively *Turkish* Violin Concerto No. 5. The evening begins with the overture to Rossini's popular comedy, *L'italiana in Algeri – The Italian Girl in Algiers*.

CLASSICS TWO

Appalachian Spring

SYMPHONY HALL

Oct 3, 2014 | 11:00 am | Coffee Classics 1
Oct 4, 2014 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

Tito Muñoz, *conductor*
Amy Dickson, *saxophone*

Gould: *Spirituals*
Higdon: *Soprano Sax Concerto*
Copland: Suite from *Appalachian Spring*

DESCRIPTION

Maestro Tito Muñoz continues his triumphant and dynamic inaugural season with Aaron Copland's quintessential masterpiece, *Appalachian Spring*. Reminiscent of an idealized America, Copland's harmonic and luxurious Pulitzer-Prize winning ballet suite has become one of the most inspiring and symbolic works of the 20th century. In this program Maestro Muñoz also debuts classical saxophonist Amy Dickson; the #1 UK Classical artist who has won Breakthrough Artist of the Year. Hear her unique sound as she performs Jennifer Higdon's *Soprano Sax Concerto*, which has been called a "significant testament to beauty." The evening begins with Morton Gould's *Spirituals*.

CLASSICS FOUR

Beethoven and Brahms

SYMPHONY HALL

Nov 21, 2014 | 11:00 am | Coffee Classics 2
Nov 21, 2014 | 7:30 pm
Nov 22, 2014 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

Michael Christie, *conductor*
William Wolfram, *piano*

Beethoven: *Symphony No. 1* in C Major, op. 21
Brahms: *Concerto No. 1* in D minor for Piano and Orchestra, op. 15

DESCRIPTION

Back by popular demand, Music Director Laureate Michael Christie returns to The Phoenix Symphony to conduct Beethoven's revolutionary *Symphony No. 1*, which uniquely and boldly advanced the overall symphonic form. Also returning to Phoenix with Maestro Christie is internationally recognized pianist William Wolfram, performing Brahms' *Piano Concerto No. 1*. Wolfram's versatile piano technique and immense energy is highlighted by the young Brahms' complicated and captivating concerto.

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CLASSICS FIVE

Dvořák's Symphony No. 9 "New World Symphony"

SYMPHONY HALL

Nov 28, 2014 | 7:30 pm
Nov 29, 2014 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

JoAnn Falletta, *conductor*

Dvořák: Symphony No. 9 in E minor (*From the New World*), op. 95

DESCRIPTION

Celebrate this season of Thanksgiving as Maestra JoAnn Falletta returns to explore the new world in Dvořák's Symphony No. 9, "New World Symphony." Commissioned and written entirely in the United States, this symphony *From the New World*, is one of the most popular works in the romantic repertoire and stands today as a triumphant tribute to the American spirit.

CLASSICS SEVEN

Sibelius' Symphony No. 5

SYMPHONY HALL

Jan 16, 2015 | 11:00 am | Coffee Classics 3
Jan 16, 2015 | 7:30 pm
Jan 17, 2015 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

Michael Christie, *conductor*
Viviana Cumplido, *flute*

Grieg: selections from *Peer Gynt*

Nielsen: Concerto for Flute and Orchestra

Sibelius: Symphony No. 5 in E-flat Major, op. 82

DESCRIPTION

Music Director Laureate Michael Christie returns for his second and final appearance in the 2014/15 season to lead The Phoenix Symphony in a celebration of the 150th anniversary of the births of both Jean Sibelius and Carl Nielsen. This concert features Jean Sibelius' triumphant and enveloping Symphony No. 5. The evening also includes The Phoenix Symphony's own principal flutist Viviana Cumplido, with Nielsen's intimate and melodic Flute Concerto. The program begins with Edvard Grieg's expansive *Peer Gynt* including the ever popular theme "In the Hall of the Mountain King."

CLASSICS SIX

Prokofiev's Piano Concerto No. 2

SYMPHONY HALL

Jan 9, 2015 | 7:30 pm
Jan 10, 2015 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

TBD, *conductor*

Vadym Kholodenko, *piano* (Van Cliburn Gold Medalist)

Prokofiev: Concerto No. 2 in G minor for Piano and Orchestra, op. 16

Brahms: Symphony No. 3 in F Major, op. 90

DESCRIPTION

The Phoenix Symphony is honored to welcome 2013 Van Cliburn Gold Medalist Vadym Kholodenko to the 2014/15 season and his Phoenix Symphony debut. Acclaimed for his "absorbing musical shadings" and artistic depth, Kholodenko delivers an unforgettable performance of Prokofiev's grand and lyrical second piano concerto. This program also features Brahms' impassioned and intense Symphony No. 3 in F Major, considered his most nearly perfect artistic creation.

CLASSICS EIGHT

Barber's Cello Concerto

SYMPHONY HALL

Mar 6, 2015 | 11:00 am | Coffee Classics 4
Mar 6, 2015 | 7:30 pm
Mar 7, 2015 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

Carlos-Miguel Prieto, *conductor*
Christian Poltera, *cello*

Revueltas: Suite from *Reddes*

Barber: Concerto for Cello and Orchestra, op. 22

Schumann: Symphony No. 2 in C Major

DESCRIPTION

Guest Conductor Carlos-Miguel Prieto returns to lead a dynamic program of Revueltas, Barber and Schumann. Cellist Christian Poltera, selected as a *BBC New Generation Artist*, performs Barber's romantic Cello Concerto on his 1711 "Mara" Stradivari cello. This program also presents Schumann's challenging yet richly expressive and popular second symphony and Mexican-born Silvestre Revueltas' *Reddes* Suite, representing his score from the powerful Mexican film "The Wave."

Classics Series

CLASSICS NINE

Mendelssohn's "Italian" Symphony, No. 4

SYMPHONY HALL

Mar 20, 2015 | 11:00 am | Coffee Classics 5
Mar 20, 2015 | 7:30 pm
Mar 21, 2015 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

Tito Muñoz, *conductor*
Louis Lortie, *piano*

Webern: *Im Sommerwind*

Chopin: Concerto No. 1 in E minor for Piano and Orchestra, op. 11

Mendelssohn: Symphony No. 4 in A Major (*Italian*)

DESCRIPTION

Tito Muñoz, in his inaugural season, returns to Symphony Hall demonstrating his remarkable and focused conducting style with a passionate program of Webern, Chopin and Mendelssohn. Known for his fresh perspective, Canadian born pianist Louie Lortie returns to Phoenix to perform Chopin's first piano concerto. The evening begins with Webern's opulent and poetic *Im Sommerwind* and concludes with Mendelssohn's joyful representation of Italy through his most popular Symphony No. 4, the *Italian Symphony*.

CLASSICS ELEVEN

An Evening with the Phoenix Boys Choir

SYMPHONY HALL

May 8, 2015 | 7:30 pm
May 9, 2015 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

Tito Muñoz, *conductor*
The Phoenix Symphony Chorus
Phoenix Boys Choir

Vaughn Williams: *Magnificat*

Brahms: *Schicksalslied (Song of Destiny)*, op. 54

Kodály: *Psalmus hungaricus*, op. 13

DESCRIPTION

Join Maestro Tito Muñoz and his convincing musicianship on the podium in an evening of beautiful and diverse choral repertoire with The Phoenix Symphony Chorus and the world-renowned Phoenix Boys Choir. The evening begins with Vaughn Williams' *Magnificat*, a lyrical expression of joy and thanksgiving. The evening continues with Brahms' *Schicksalslied* or "Song of Destiny," which explores the competing existence of deities and mortals. The evening concludes with both choirs singing Kodály's rarely performed *Psalmus Hungaricus*, a bombastic and defiant work based on scriptures' Psalm 55 to mark the 50th anniversary of the unification of Buda and Pest in Hungary.

CLASSICS TEN

Mozart's Symphony No. 40

SYMPHONY HALL

Apr 17, 2015 | 11:00 am | Coffee Classics 6
Apr 17, 2015 | 7:30 pm
Apr 18, 2015 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

Tito Muñoz, *conductor*
Paul Jacobs, *organ*

Beethoven: *Leonore Overture No. 3*, op. 726

Guilmant: Symphony No. 1 for Organ & Orchestra in D minor, op. 92

Mozart: Symphony No. 40 in G minor, K. 550

DESCRIPTION

The centerpiece of Mozart's final symphonic trilogy, Symphony No. 40 encompasses unparalleled emotional range during four movements full of contrast and character. Tito Muñoz, continuing his triumphant debut with The Phoenix Symphony, leads a program that also features the return of Grammy Award-winning organist Paul Jacobs performing Guilmant's Symphony No. 1 for Organ and Orchestra. The evening begins with the overture to Beethoven's loving opera, *Fidelio*.

CLASSICS TWELVE

Mahler's Symphony No. 1

SYMPHONY HALL

May 22, 2015 | 11:00 am | Coffee Classics 7
May 22, 2015 | 7:30 pm
May 23, 2015 | 7:30 pm

CONCERT REPERTOIRE

Tito Muñoz, *conductor*
Giora Schmidt, *violin*

Schoenberg: *Finding Rothko*

Bruch: Concerto No. 1 in G minor for Violin and Orchestra, op. 26

Mahler: Symphony No. 1 in D Major (*Titan*)

DESCRIPTION

In the final concert of Maestro Muñoz' debut season, The Phoenix Symphony presents Mahler's Symphony No. 1 in a musical journey of triumph over death. Praised by the *Cleveland Plain Dealer* as "impossible to resist, captivating with lyricism, tonal warmth, and boundless enthusiasm," violinist Giora Schmidt makes his Phoenix Symphony debut with Bruch's enduring first violin concerto. The program begins with Schoenberg's *Finding Rothko*, an enchanting piece reflecting on four of the abstract works by Russian artist Mark Rothko.

Classics Series

CLASSICS 11 FRIDAYS

Friday nights

Dress Circle Prime	\$695.20
Dress Circle	\$607.20
Price A	\$501.60
Price B	\$396.00
Price C	\$290.40
Price D	\$158.40

Includes these 11 concerts:

- Sept 19, 2014** Tito Muñoz conducts Carmina Burana
- Oct 17, 2014** Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 6
- Nov 21, 2014** Beethoven and Brahms
- Nov 28, 2014** Dvořák's Symphony No. 9 "New World Symphony"
- Jan 9, 2015** Prokofiev's Piano Concerto No. 2
- Jan 16, 2015** Sibelius' Symphony No. 5
- Mar 6, 2015** Barber's Cello Concerto
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CLASSICS 6A FRIDAYS

Friday nights

Dress Circle Prime	\$402.90
Dress Circle	\$351.90
Price A	\$290.70
Price B	\$229.50
Price C	\$168.30
Price D	\$91.80

Includes these 6 concerts:

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CLASSICS 5B FRIDAYS

Friday nights

Dress Circle Prime	\$335.75
Dress Circle	\$293.25
Price A	\$242.25
Price B	\$191.25
Price C	\$140.25
Price D	\$76.50

Includes these 5 concerts:

- Nov 21, 2014** Beethoven and Brahms
- Jan 9, 2015** Prokofiev's Piano Concerto No. 2
- Mar 6, 2015** Barber's Cello Concerto
- Apr 17, 2015** Mozart's Symphony No. 40
- May 22, 2015** Mahler's Symphony No. 1

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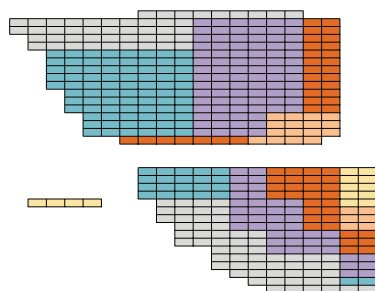
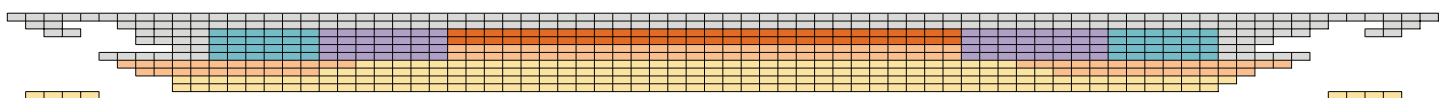
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Price B	\$157.01
Price C	\$101.01

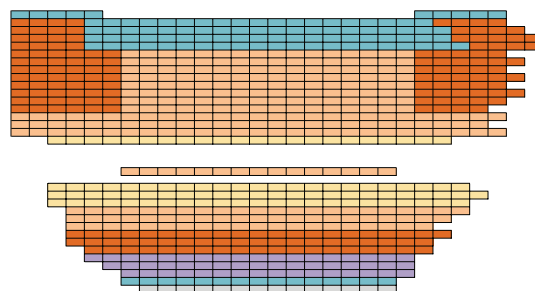
Includes these 7 concerts:

- Oct 3, 2014** Appalachian Spring
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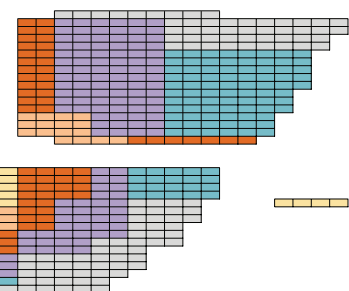
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STAGE

*Coffee Classics Performances feature one hour of music selected from the weekend's Classics program.

New Seat Maps for 2014/15 season. Artists, dates and programming subject to change. Visit phoenixsymphony.org for the most up to date information.

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CLASSICS 12 SATURDAYS

Saturday nights

Dress Circle Prime	\$758.40
Dress Circle	\$662.40
Price A	\$547.20
Price B	\$432.00
Price C	\$316.80
Price D	\$172.80

Includes these 12 concerts:

- Sept 20, 2014** Tito Muñoz conducts Carmina Burana
- Oct 4, 2014** Appalachian Spring
- Oct 18, 2014** Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 6
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CLASSICS 6A SATURDAYS

Saturday nights

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Dress Circle	\$351.90
Price A	\$290.70
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Price C	\$168.30
Price D	\$91.80

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CLASSICS 6B SATURDAYS

Saturday nights

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Price B	\$229.50
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Price D	\$91.80

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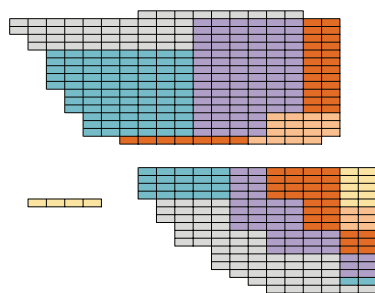
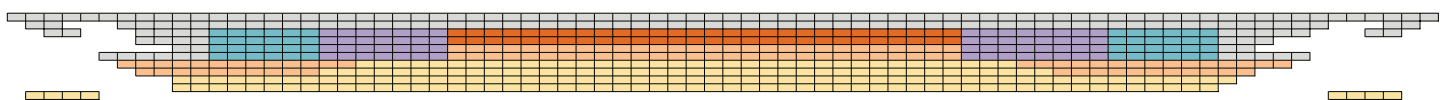
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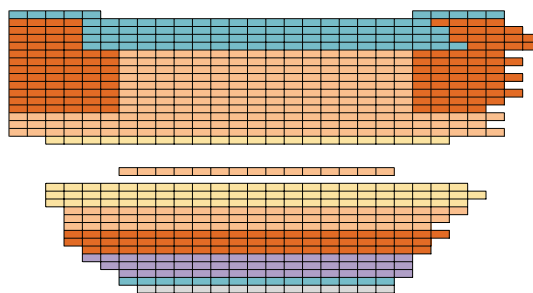
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Dress Circle	\$248.40
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Price B	\$162.00
Price C	\$118.80
Price D	\$64.80

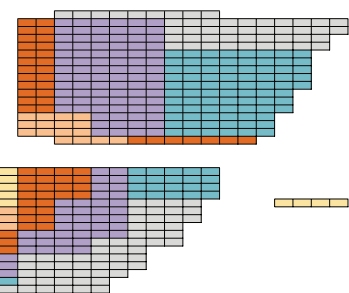
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