

PRESS RELEASE

CHARLOTTESVILLE SYMPHONY
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA



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**JOLLY AND JOYOUS!
THE CHARLOTTESVILLE SYMPHONY
AND THE UVA UNIVERSITY SINGERS
PRESENT ANNUAL FAMILY HOLIDAY CONCERTS**

WHEN & WHERE

Saturday, December 1, 8:00pm, Old Cabell Hall on the UVA Grounds
Sunday, December 2, 3:30pm, Old Cabell Hall

TICKETS

\$10 - \$47 (Saturday); \$20 - \$45 (Sunday)

\$10 student tickets; 1 free ticket available for UVA students who reserve in advance

Online: <http://artsandsciences.virginia.edu/boxoffice/>

Phone: (434) 924-3376

In Person: UVA Arts Box Office, UVA Drama Building, 109 Culbreth Road, Charlottesville, VA 22903; Monday-Friday, noon-5pm

CHARLOTTESVILLE – The Charlottesville Symphony at the University of Virginia and the UVA University Singers join forces to present their annual Family Holiday Concerts on Saturday, December 1, at 8:00pm and Sunday, December 2 at 3:30pm. Michael Slon, director of UVA's premiere vocal ensemble and music director of the Oratorio Society of Virginia, will conduct the performances at Old Cabell Hall on the Grounds of the University of Virginia.

Through the years, these concerts have become an eagerly awaited holiday tradition. This year's program is brimming with festive favorites for concertgoers young and old: *Carol of the Bells*, Leroy Anderson's *Sleigh Ride*, Evening Prayer from *Hansel and Gretel*, John Williams' *Harry's Wondrous World* from *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* and Handel's Hallelujah Chorus from *Messiah*.

Local jazz saxophonist and Free Bridge Quintet member Jeff Decker makes a cameo appearance in "I'll Be Home for Christmas" and "Winter Wonderland." And an annual tradition, *The Twelve Days of Christmas* with audience participation, always results in hilarious fun.

On both days, ensembles of orchestra musicians will welcome audiences in the lobby with holiday carols.

Sponsorship support of the Family Holiday Concerts is provided by the accounting firm of Hantzmon Wiebel and the Office of the Provost and Vice Provost for the Arts at the University of Virginia.

Free parking is available in the UVA Central Grounds Parking Garage, located on Emmet Street South. The Charlottesville Free Trolley stops at McCormick Road near the UVA Amphitheater, in close proximity to Old Cabell Hall. The venue is wheelchair accessible.

Single tickets are \$10-\$47 for adults and \$10 for students. UVA students may request one complimentary ticket in advance. Single tickets may be purchased at the University of Virginia Arts Box Office, (434) 924-3376, 12:00-5:00pm, Monday through Friday in the lobby of the Drama Building at 109 Culbreth Road, or online at www.artsboxoffice.virginia.edu.

UPCOMING 2018-19 CONCERT INFORMATION

RAVEL & KODALY

Saturday, February 16, 8:00pm, Old Cabell Hall, UVA Grounds

Sunday, February 17, 3:30pm, MONTICELLO HIGH SCHOOL

MAURICE RAVEL – Pavane pour une infant defunte

MAURICE RAVEL – Piano Concerto in G Major with Andrew Le, *Piano*

REINALDO MOYA – Siempre Lunes, Siempre Marzo

ZOLTAN KODALY – Variations on a Hungarian Folksong “The Peacock”

MENDELSSOHN'S ITALY

Saturday, March 23, 8:00pm, Old Cabell Hall, UVA Grounds

Sunday, March 24, 3:30pm, Martin Luther King, Jr. Performing Arts Center

BELA BARTOK – Violin Concerto No. 2, BB 117 with Joseph Lin, *Violin*

FELIX MENDELSSOHN – Symphony No. 4 in A Major, Op. 90, “Italian”

PINES OF ROME

Saturday, April 27, 8:00pm, Old Cabell Hall, UVA Grounds

Sunday, April 28, 3:30pm, Martin Luther King, Jr. Performing Arts Center

RICHARD WAGNER – Prelude from *Parsifal*

ROBERT SCHUMANN – Piano Concerto in A minor, Op. 54 with Jonathan Yates, *Piano*

JUDITH SHATIN – Piping the Earth

OTTORINO RESPIGHI – Pines of Rome

POPS AT THE PARAMOUNT

Saturday, June 1, 7:30pm, The Paramount Theater

All artists, programs and venues are subject to change. # # # #