

PRESS RELEASE

CHARLOTTESVILLE SYMPHONY
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA



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CHARLOTTESVILLE SYMPHONY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA FULL ORCHESTRA RETURNS FOR FINAL 2021-22 MASTERWORKS CONCERTS!

WHEN & WHERE

Saturday, April 23, 8:00pm, Old Cabell Hall on the UVA Grounds

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

TICKETS

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

\$10 student tickets; 20% discount for UVA Faculty/Staff; 1 free ticket available for UVA students who reserve in advance

Online: <http://artsboxoffice.virginia.edu>

Phone: (434) 924-3376

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

CHARLOTTESVILLE – The Charlottesville Symphony at the University of Virginia concludes its 2021-22 season with a pair of Masterworks concerts on Saturday, April 23, 8:00pm, at Old Cabell Hall on the Grounds of the University of Virginia and Sunday, April 24, 3:30pm, at Charlottesville High School’s Martin Luther King, Jr. Performing Arts Center.

After more than two years on hiatus due to COVID-19 restrictions on wind playing at the University of Virginia, the Charlottesville Symphony celebrates the return of its woodwind and brass musicians in performances featuring the full orchestra in person.

This **one-hour program with no intermission**, conducted by Music Director Benjamin Rous, opens with Richard Wagner’s Prelude to Act I of his comedic opera, *Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg*. Charlottesville Symphony Principal Cello Adam Carter is the soloist in Franz Joseph Haydn’s Cello Concerto No. 1 in C Major. Full of cheerful melodies and Haydn’s characteristic symphonic charm, the concerto has become a musical staple while demonstrating that virtuosity and fun are not mutually exclusive. A thoroughly patriotic work, *The Moldau*

captures Bedřich Smetana's love for his native Bohemia. It is the second symphonic poem of a six-movement suite, *Má vlast (My Country)* and his best-known orchestral work.

Cellist Adam Carter maintains an active career as a recitalist, chamber and orchestral musician and teacher. Carter is currently the principal cellist of the Charlottesville Symphony and has played with the Richmond Symphony, Madison Symphony, Winston-Salem Symphony, Erie Philharmonic and Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra. He also performs with the Rivanna String Quartet, Artemis Duo and the Virginia Sinfonietta. A founding member of the Tarab Cello Ensemble, he traveled the country playing new works for cello octet.

The Charlottesville Symphony's 2021-22 concert season is made possible by a major grant from the Joseph and Robert Cornell Memorial Foundation. Both April concerts are sponsored by the Office of the Provost and the Vice Provost for the Arts at the University of Virginia.

In-depth program notes are posted on the orchestra's website, www.cvillesymphony.org.

Masks are now optional at Old Cabell Hall and optional but strongly encouraged at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Performing Arts Center. However, at press time, everyone attending the April 24th concert at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Performing Arts Center is still required to provide proof of full vaccination or proof of a negative COVID test taken with 72 hours of arrival at the Center. A valid photo ID is also required. Patrons who are not able to show both will not be able to attend the performance and will be issued a ticket refund.

Free parking is available in the UVA Central Grounds Parking Garage, located on Emmet Street South on Saturday nights and at Charlottesville High School's Martin Luther King, Jr. Performing Arts Center on Sunday afternoons. The Charlottesville Free Trolley stops at McCormick Road near the UVA Amphitheater, in close proximity to Old Cabell Hall. Both venues are wheelchair accessible.

Single tickets are \$10-\$45 for adults and \$10 for students. UVA students may request one complimentary ticket in advance. Tickets may be purchased at the University of Virginia Arts Box Office, (434) 924-3376, 12:00-5:00pm, Tuesday through Friday in the lobby of the UVA Drama Building at 109 Culbreth Road, or online at www.artsboxoffice.virginia.edu.

All University of Virginia employees (faculty and staff of all UVA departments and professional schools) are entitled to a 20% discount on tickets to individual performances. This offer does not apply to subscriptions, the December Family Holiday concerts, *Pops at the Paramount* or previously purchased tickets.

All artists, programs and venues are subject to change.

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