

**Holland Symphony Orchestra
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Press Release

Holland Symphony Orchestra and Music Director, Johannes Müller-Stosch announce the David P. Roossien 2021-2022 Concert Season with a roster of exceptional soloists and a variety of musical offerings in the celebration of sharing live music together again!

Season tickets, single tickets and brochures are available from the Symphony office by phoning 616-796-6780, the website at www.hollandsymphony.org or by mail at PO Box 2685, Holland, MI 49422. The five-concert Season Ticket subscription includes Classics I, II, III, Holiday and Family. Adults are \$95 and Students (through college) are \$25. The Season Ticket Plus is the HSO's six-concert series, which includes the five Season Ticket concerts plus the Classics Up-Close concert for \$110/adult and \$30/student. First-time subscribers can purchase Season Tickets or Season Ticket Plus packages at 30% off the regular price. Seats at the Concert Hall at the Jack H. Miller Center are assigned. Seating at Dimment Chapel, First United Methodist Church, and the Zeeland East High School DeWitt Auditorium are general admission. Single tickets are \$22 per adult and \$5 per student for all concerts except Pops at the Pier (\$25/5). Holland Symphony and its concerts are partially underwritten by Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts. (All plans are subject to change relative to the pandemic restrictions in Michigan.)

Metro Health/ University of Michigan Health Pops at the Pier kicks off the season at Eldean's Boatyard on Thursday, June 29th, 2021 with Byron Stripling, trumpet and voice, highlighting the fast-paced concert entitled **A Tribute to Louis Armstrong**. The evening begins at 6:00pm with a guest appearance of the Holland Concert Jazz Orchestra and the concert begins at 7:00pm with Stripling and the Holland Symphony. Stripling hails from the Cleveland area and is a dynamic performer. Two gourmet food trucks as well as beer and wine will be available for purchase. Beginning at 5:30pm Single tickets are \$25 for adults and \$5 for students. The concert is sponsored by Metro Health/University of Michigan Health.

The free Community Concert, Mariachi Celebration will be held on Saturday August 14, 2021 starting at 7:00pm at the bandshell in Kollen Park, Holland. Rain location will be ME Yacht Restoration, 471 Howard, Holland. Guest Conductor, Mark Alpizar will return to conduct the concert. A Mariachi group from Los Angeles, Mariachi Garibaldi de Jaime Cuéllar will perform with the HSO. Guests are invited to bring a lawn chair or blanket to enjoy this free concert. This concert is partially sponsored by grants from Macatawa Area Coordinating Council and Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs administered by Holland Area Arts Council and Macatawa Bank. The Mac Shack will also be at the concert.

Classics Up-Close on Friday, September 10 at 7:30pm is the first concert of the fall season with Jeremy VerWys, classical guitarist as out guest artist. The concert will begin with Respighi's Charming Ancient Airs and Dances. VerWys will perform Spanish composer Rodrigo's "Fantasia for a Nobleman." Wagner's Siegfried Idyll and Mozart's well-known Symphony No 35 "Haffner" will complete the program. HSO will play these works in the intimate setting of First United Methodist Church of Holland. Seating is limited.

Classics I, New Worlds will be Saturday, September 25th at 7:30pm at the Concert Hall at the Jack H. Miller Center, Hope College. This concert will begin with the work of American

composer William Grant Still, *Darker America*. Ralph Votapek, pianist, returns to perform Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 2. This concert will conclude with Dvorak's most famous Symphony No 9, *The New World*. A pre-concert talk will take place on Thursday before this concert at 3:00pm on the 6th floor at Freedom Village in Holland (145 Columbia Ave.). There will also be a pre-concert video available on the website one week before the concert.

Classics II, The Nature of Music! will be Saturday, October 16th at 7:30pm at the Concert Hall at the Jack H. Miller Center, Hope College. The Hiawatha Suite by Coleridge-Taylor opens the concert. Jack Unzicker, Associate Professor of Bass at University of Texas/Arlington, will perform Nino Rota's "Divertimento Concertante." The concert concludes with Beethoven's well-known Symphony No 6 "Pastorale," a joyful celebration of nature. A pre-concert talk will take place at 3:00pm on Thursday afternoon on the 6th floor at Freedom Village in Holland. (145 Columbia Ave.) There will also be a pre-concert video available on the website one week before the concert.

Holiday Concert, Home for the Holidays, feature a return of upbeat singer Helen Welch and her jazz ensemble, performing many popular favorites! The two holiday concerts consist of seasonal light classics, traditional carols and holiday pops in the gorgeous setting of Dimnent Chapel at Hope College on Saturday, December 11th at 3:30pm or 7:30pm. Make the annual Holiday Concert part of your family tradition. (No pre-concert talks.)

The **Classics Discovery Concert, Out of this World!** is on Sunday, March 20th at 3:30pm at DeWitt Auditorium, Zeeland High School, and features the winner of the 2022 Norbert Mueller High School Concerto Competition. Our guest will be NASA Videographer, Scott Wiessinger. This one-hour concert will welcome families and discover the wonderful photography of the sun Scott has set to music for the orchestra.

The **Classics III, Beethoven 9**, will close the HSO season with two performance on Saturday, April 30th at 3:30 and 7:30pm. This monumental work, featuring Beethoven's famous "Ode to Joy," will feature soloists and choirs of Hope College and Holland Chorale. The program will begin with the exciting Festive Overture by Shostakovich. A pre-concert talk will take place on Thursday before this concert at 3:00pm on the 6th floor at Freedom Village in Holland (145 Columbia Ave.). There will also be a pre-concert video available on the website one week before the concert.

For more information, contact the Holland Symphony Orchestra:

Pictures of the soloists available by contacting the HSO and are available on the website.

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