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144th Season

Family Guide

**Musical
memories
made here.**



A lifelong love of music starts now.

From programs created especially for young families to concerts that will spark conversations with teenagers, join your St. Louis Symphony Orchestra this season to experience music from places near and far, real and imaginary, from the past and into the future.



Pick any 3 Concerts and Save up to 15%*

Need help deciding? Use this guide to explore themes, ideas for different ages and interests, and ways to experience your SLSO together as a family.

Perfect for Families with Young Children

Family Concerts

Looking to introduce young children to the enchanting world of orchestral music? Designed for the youngest listeners, these concerts feature engaging activities and encourage audience participation!



A Zoo Called Earth

45 minutes; ages 5–10

Oct 22 Sun at 3:00pm
Touhill Performing Arts Center at UMSL
Jason Seber, conductor

Dress up for Halloween and join your SLSO for an afternoon of fun. Through Peter Schickele's "A Zoo Called Earth," you'll hear creatures ranging from fish and dinosaurs to kangaroos and elephants come to life from the perspective of an extraterrestrial tourist.

Created in partnership with the **Saint Louis Zoo**



Tiny Tunes: The Lion and the Mouse

30 minutes; ages 3–6

Feb 3 Sat at 11:30am The Sheldon
Kevin McBeth, conductor

Two unlikely friends—the mighty lion and the little mouse—take us on an adventure that proves even the smallest acts of kindness can make a big difference. Familiar tunes from Edvard Grieg's *Peer Gynt* bring the story to life as you dance and make music along with SLSO musicians. Based on the book *The Lion and the Mouse* by Jenny Broom, illustrated by Nahta Nôj.

Created in partnership with **COCA**

Presented by **Emerson**

Supported by **Moneta Group Charitable Foundation** and **BNSF Railway Foundation**



Dance Party!

45 minutes; ages 5–10

Mar 24 Sun at 3:00pm
Lindenwood University's J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts
Jason Seber, conductor

What happens when the latest dance craze meets the orchestra? A giant dance party with your SLSO! Wear your dancing shoes—you won't be able to keep still as you experience some of the greatest orchestral music of all time.

Created in partnership with **Ballet 314**

Audio description provided by **MindsEye**

These performances are inclusive of people with sensory sensitivities. Accommodations will be provided so that everyone may enjoy the experience.

Pre-Concert Activities

Arrive early for Family Concerts to join in age-appropriate pre-concert activities including a scavenger hunt with the musicians of the St. Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra.



St. Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra

Touhill Performing Arts Center at UMSL

Experience the future of orchestral music and let your child see young musicians on stage.

Season Opener

Nov 18 Sat at 1:00pm

Youth Orchestra & SLSO Side-by-Side

Jan 20 Sat at 7:30pm

Season Finale

Apr 20 Sat at 1:00pm

The St. Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra includes more than 100 accomplished performers ages 12–22 who represent more than 40 schools from throughout the bi-state region.

YO concerts are an affordable way to experience classical music with your family. Free tickets* are available on the Orchestra/Parterre level and Dress Circle/Grand Tier seating is \$10.



Join the YO! Young musicians applications for the 24/25 season will open in January 2024. Final auditions are held in June.

* A \$1/ticket handling fee applies to all tickets. YO tickets are not part of the subscription offer.

YO programs are presented by **Kathleen Clucas** and supported in part by the **G.A., Jr. and Kathryn M. Buder Charitable Foundation**, **Gateway Metro Federal Credit Union**, and the **ESCO Technologies Foundation**.

Learning Lab

Ever wondered about the different instruments musicians play? Or how we can feel sound? Explore these free digital resources created by the SLSO to inspire curiosity about music.

Scan for access



Perfect for Families with Tweens & Teens

Connect with your tween or teen as you experience musical moments together. Choose from concerts featuring passionate young musicians, cultural traditions, and varied artistic expressions.

Sunday Matinees featuring Young Rising Stars

at Touhill Performing Arts Center
at UMSL. Highlights include:

Mozart and Brahms

Oct 15 Sun at 3:00pm
Cristian Măcelaru, conductor; Benjamin Beilman, violin

Korngold and Dvořák

Nov 19 Sun at 3:00pm Presented by the Whitaker Foundation
Christian Reif, conductor; Randall Goosby, violin

Beethoven's Second Piano Concerto

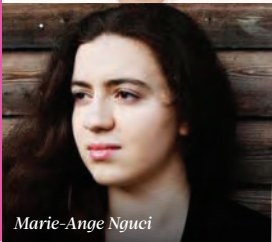
Apr 21 Sun at 3:00pm
John Storgårds, conductor; Marie-Ange Nguci, piano



Benjamin Beilman



Randall Goosby



Marie-Ange Nguci

Celebrating Black Music & Culture

Gospel Christmas

Dec 8 Fri at 7:30pm • Stifel Theatre
Kevin McBeth, conductor; Wintley Phipps, vocals
IN UNISON Chorus

Turn the heat up this December with the soulful
stylings of the IN UNISON Chorus.

Supported by Bayer Fund

Lift Every Voice A Black History Month Celebration with BeBe Winans

Feb 23 Fri at 7:30pm • Stifel Theatre Supported by Bayer Fund
Kevin McBeth, conductor; BeBe Winans, vocals
IN UNISON Chorus

Join your SLSO and the inimitable IN UNISON Chorus—
marking its 30th year in 2024—for this one-of-a-kind
celebration of Black History Month.



BeBe Winans

Multi-Sensory Experiences

Musical Fables with Animation and Film

Jan 27–28

Sat at 7:30pm & Sun at 3:00pm • Stifel Theatre

Stéphane Denève, conductor; Grégoire Pont, illustrator &
animator; *Peter & The Wolf Live*, 2008 Oscar® Winner for
Best Animated Short Film directed by Suzie Templeton

Albert Roussel *The Spider's Feast*
Francis Poulenc *Les Animaux modèles*
Sergei Prokofiev *Peter and the Wolf*

Musical fables envelop Stifel Theatre as animation
plays on screen. Then Prokofiev's *Peter and the Wolf* is
accompanied by an Academy Award-winning short film.

Romeo and Juliet

Mar 16–17

Sat at 7:30pm & Sun at 3:00pm • Stifel Theatre

Stéphane Denève, conductor; The Big Muddy Dance
Company; Kirven Douthit-Boyd, choreographer

Aaron Copland *Appalachian Spring* Suite; **Adam
Schoenberg** *New Work* (SLSO Commission); **Sergei
Prokofiev** *Romeo and Juliet* Suite

The passions of young love in two classic ballet scores,
and a world premiere by Adam Schoenberg featuring
Big Muddy Dance Company.

Presented by the Whitaker Foundation



Big Muddy Dance Company

Cross-Cultural Connections

New Year's Eve Celebration

Dec 31 Sun at 7:30pm • Stifel Theatre

Norman Huynh, conductor

Celebrate 2023 in style at the SLSO's annual
bash—the New Year's Eve concert. Revel in musical
selections with Norman Huynh, a favorite of St. Louis
audiences known for his humor and high spirits.
What are we playing? It's a surprise you'll have to
hear for yourself!

Lunar New Year

Feb 10 Sat at 7:30pm

Lindenwood University's
J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts

Norman Huynh, conductor

Guest Conductor Norman Huynh will lead the
SLSO in a concert celebrating the Lunar New Year.
Join us as we welcome in the year of the dragon.



Norman Huynh

Perfect for the Entire Family

Explore these lively, joyful concerts and movies that are sure to appeal to your whole family from the youngest to the oldest.

Films with Live Orchestra

Experience these fan-favorite films on the big screen at Stifel Theatre while your St. Louis Symphony Orchestra performs the iconic scores live.

The Nightmare Before Christmas In Concert

Oct 6 & 8 Fri at 7:00pm & Sun at 2:00pm
Jason Seber, conductor

Join us for a spine-tingling experience as we revisit one of Tim Burton's most adored films, *The Nightmare Before Christmas*.

Back to the Future In Concert

Dec 28-29 Thu & Fri at 7:00pm
Norman Huynh, conductor

Go *Back to the Future* as your SLSO performs Alan Silverstri's dazzling musical score live to film.

Encanto In Concert

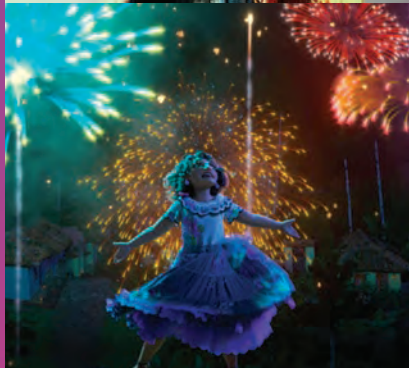
Mar 9-10 Sat & Sun at 2:00pm
Anthony Parnter, conductor

Experience the heartwarming tale of *Encanto* come alive on the majestic Stifel Theatre's big screen.

Star Wars: The Last Jedi In Concert

Apr 13-14 Sat at 7:00pm & Sun at 2:00pm
Norman Huynh, conductor

Get swept away into the Skywalker saga like never before as your SLSO breathes new life into John Williams' Academy Award-nominated score.



Holiday Concerts

Make memories and experience new holiday traditions featuring your SLSO, IN UNISON Chorus, special guests, and even Santa himself!

The Eight Seasons of Vivaldi and Piazzolla

Nov 24 Fri at 7:30pm
St. Joseph's Catholic Parish, Cottleville, MO

Nov 25 Sat at 7:30pm
Manchester United Methodist Church, Manchester, MO

Nov 26 Sun at 3:00pm • The Sheldon
David Halen, violin; Erin Schreiber, violin

Antonio Vivaldi *The Four Seasons*
Astor Piazzolla (arr. Desyatnikov)
The Four Seasons of Buenos Aires

Home Alone In Concert

Dec 9-10 Sat at 7:00pm & Sun at 2:00pm
Stifel Theatre
Jason Seber, conductor

Back by popular demand! The SLSO performs John Williams' iconic score live to the hilarious and heartwarming film.

Mercy Holiday Celebration

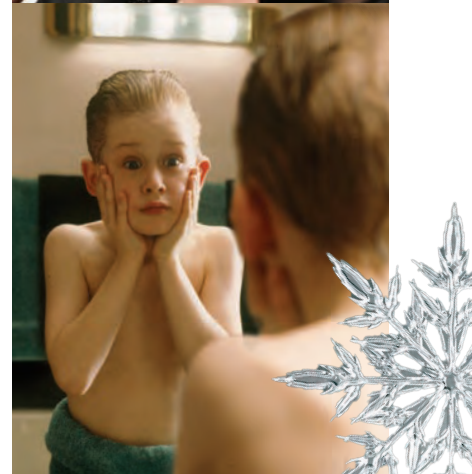
Dec 12-13 Tue & Wed at 7:30pm
Lindenwood University's J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts

Dec 16-17 Sat at 2:00pm & 7:30pm,
Sun at 2:00pm • Stifel Theatre

Stuart Malina, conductor; Scarlett Strallen, vocals

We think it's lovely weather for a sleigh ride together with you! Join your SLSO for this cherished holiday tradition, full of favorite carols and sounds of the season. Even Santa makes time for this festive concert!

Presented by Mercy†



Community Concerts

Free!

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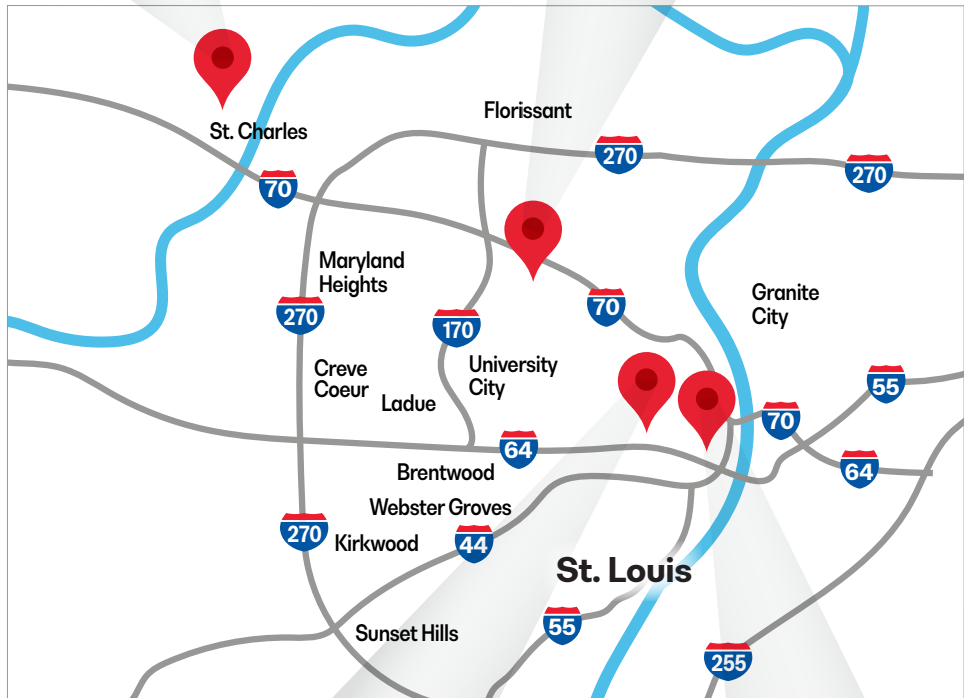
Meet Your 23/24 Venues



**Lindenwood's
J. Scheidegger
Center for the Arts**
2300 W. Clay St.
St. Charles, MO 63301



**Touhill
Performing
Arts Center
at UMSL**
1 Touhill Cir,
St. Louis, MO 63121



The Sheldon

3648 Washington Ave,
St. Louis, MO 63108



Stifel Theatre

1400 Market St,
St. Louis, MO 63103



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Orchestra**

Stéphane Denève : Music Director

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