



**St. Louis Symphony  
Orchestra**

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**ST. LOUIS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FUSES THE MUSIC OF RADIOHEAD AND JOHANNES BRAHMS IN ONE-NIGHT-ONLY CONCERT, FEBRUARY 24**

***Brahms X Radiohead* is a unique synthesis of Radiohead's landmark album, *OK Computer*, with Johannes Brahms' equally landmark Symphony No. 1**

**Concert takes place at Stifel Theatre; tickets on sale now**

**(January 3, 2024, St. Louis, MO)** – Today, the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra announced details of a one-night-only special concert that intertwines two landmark pieces of music: Classical Era-composer Johannes Brahms' Symphony No. 1 and *OK Computer*, the third studio album from six-time Grammy Award-winning English rock band Radiohead. *Brahms X Radiohead* is Saturday, February 24, at 7:30pm, at Stifel Theatre in downtown St. Louis. Tickets are on sale now and may be purchased at [slo.org](http://slo.org) or by calling the Box Office at 314-534-1700.

*Brahms X Radiohead* is a symphonic synthesis of music by Radiohead and Brahms, composed and conducted by Steve Hackman for a full symphonic orchestra and three solo vocalists. Hackman has brought symphonic mash-ups with popular artists including Beyoncé, Coldplay, and Drake to many of the top orchestras in the country. The concert offers a reimagined experience of each work by seeing it through the lens of the other, exploring the explosive tension and deep pathos they have in common. Brahms' 19th-century orchestral sound palette is used throughout, but woven in and superimposed are the well-known melodies of Radiohead.

*OK Computer*, with its depiction of a dystopian future and experimental and eclectic sound world, is often cited as one of the greatest albums of all time. Similarly, Brahms' First Symphony, composed over the span of 14 years, launched the composer into international fame, positioned him as an heir to Beethoven in the classical music world, and left a profound impact on the art form.

This performance complements the SLSO's portfolio of concerts in its 144th season, including classical favorites, chamber music, education and family concerts, film presentations, holiday concerts, and special events. While the orchestra's home, Powell Hall, undergoes a transformative expansion and renovation, the orchestra is performing throughout the St. Louis region, most notably at UMSL's Touhill Performing Arts Center and Stifel Theatre. Additional concerts in the 2023/2024 season will be announced at a later date.

**Calendar listing:**



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The St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, conductor Steve Hackman, and a trio of vocalists blend the music of rock band Radiohead with Johannes Brahms' Symphony No. 1 in *Brahms X Radiohead*—a one-night-only fusion concert at Stifel Theatre. Tickets start at \$42.

**Saturday, February 24, 2024, 7:30pm**  
**Stifel Theatre, 1400 Market St., St. Louis, MO 63103**

Steve Hackman, conductor

*Featuring Radiohead's OK Computer and Johannes Brahms' Symphony No. 1.*

### **About the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra**

Celebrated as one of today's most exciting and enduring orchestras, the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra is the second-oldest orchestra in the country, marking its 144th year with the 2023/2024 season and its fifth with [Stéphane Denève, The Joseph and Emily Rauh Pulitzer Music Director](#). Widely considered one of the leading American orchestras, the Grammy® Award-winning SLSO maintains its commitment to artistic excellence, educational impact, and community collaborations—all in service to its mission of enriching lives through the power of music.

The transformational expansion and renovation of its historic home, Powell Hall, slated to be completed in 2025, builds on the institution's momentum as a civic leader in convening individuals, creators, and ideas, while fostering a culture welcoming to all. Committed to building community through compelling and inclusive musical experiences, the SLSO continues its longstanding focus on equity, diversity, inclusion, and access, embracing its strengths as a responsive, nimble organization, while investing in partnerships locally and elevating its presence globally. For more information, visit [slo.org](https://slo.org).

### **About Stifel Theatre**

Stifel Theatre is a historic, 3,100 seat theatre in the heart of downtown St. Louis. Originally opened in 1934, Stifel Theatre's stage has welcomed some of entertainment's greatest performers and was the primary venue for the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra from 1934 to 1968. Following a \$78.7 million restoration, this historical gem has been restored to its original splendor and undergone state-of-the-art upgrades.

Stifel Theatre plays host to a wide variety of events, including concerts, comedies, theatricals, family shows, holiday productions, and more.

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