

Photography/videography guidelines for external partners

The SLSO is grateful for your partnership in capturing our remarkable collaboration. We welcome photographers and videographers at SLSO concerts and events at all venues and appreciate your sharing the images and footage you capture.

The guidelines below help keep the SLSO in compliance with the orchestra's Collective Bargaining Agreement and ensure the best experience for our audience.

Notification: Please give your SLSO contact at least 48 hours' notice of your intent to photograph or record video at a concert. If you're unsure who to contact, please notify Eric Dundon, Public Relations Director, at EricD@slso.org. Musician notification is required; failure to notify the SLSO of your intent to photograph or video an event may result in audio-visual (AV) capture being paused or stopped.

The SLSO prefers all photo and AV capture take place during the performance rather than rehearsals or sound checks.

Capture limitations:

- Video: no more than 40 minutes of any concert may be recorded for news media or promotional use.
- Edited output: audio or AV material that includes music performance must be edited down to no more than five minutes for news or promotional use.
 - Within that, no single work or movement longer than three minutes may be used in full.
- Your SLSO contact can advise on any additional restrictions.
- Still photography has no capture limitations.

Equipment protocols: Equipment should be self-contained—hand-held or on a tripod, with no lights (battery powered or plugged in), no boom mics, and no need to plug into an outlet. If your setup isn't self-contained, please notify us at least 48 hours in advance. Disable flash and any external lights and set all equipment to silent mode. Mirrorless camera bodies are strongly preferred.

Concert etiquette: Silence cell phones, move during breaks in the music, and minimize distractions to guests and musicians. Dark-colored wardrobe is preferred for concert photography, and all-black is required when on stage at Powell Hall. Please stay at least 15 feet from musicians during concerts.

Asset sharing: Please share still photography or b-roll with the SLSO after the concert.