

2021-2022 SIGNATURE SERIES

REUNITING THROUGH THE JOY OF MUSIC

WELCOME TO THE 2021/22 SEASON

The Jackson Symphony Orchestra is proud and excited to make a return to the stage this fall for our 72nd season. While we were able to stay connected with you from the virtual stage, the sting of not performing was present. When you end a piece and nobody applauds it feels hollow. When you perform and the person you are playing alongside is across the room, it feels disconnected. When you conduct in a mask and the musicians cannot see your smile, it feels disheartening. The JSO has always been fueled by YOU - our loyal audience. Nothing has made that more apparent than this past year, and we are MOST grateful to be back with you.

Here's what we have in store...

This year's Signature Series, balances the familiar with the lesser known and new. We will perform symphonies by Brahms, Beethoven, Berlioz, and Sibelius alongside concerti by Tchaikovsky, Rachmaninoff, and Chopin. Works by lesser-known but equally important composers Samuel Coleridge-Taylor, Fernande Decruck, and Florence Price will appear throughout the season. Finally, the JSO is excited to bring three new works into the world by composers Audrey Kelley, Larry Alan Smith, and Marcus Norris.

World-renowned soloists Inon Barnatan (piano), Arnaud Sussmann (violin), Julian Schwarz (cello), and Marika Bournaki (piano) will be gracing the stages of Weatherwax Hall and the Potter Center.

Along with the Michigan Theatre, Downtown Development Authority, County National Bank, and Experience Jackson, we are proud to once again offer a series of free summer events in downtown Jackson including our Summer Solstice and Summer Pops concerts. Patriotic music will fill the August air as we perform at Horace Blackman Park across from the JSO building. In autumn, we will partner with Bright Walls to produce a Halloween concert in conjunction with Fright Walls. Winter renews our collaboration with Ballet Chelsea to bring you the seasonal family favorite, The Nutcracker. In March, we will present Star Wars and More - an evening of music that is out of this world. Finally, be sure to check out the popular Music on Tap series, which takes place at the JSO's Weatherwax Hall in the heart of Jackson. Come downtown and enjoy all that downtown Jackson has to offer, capped off with world-class live music and beverages in our intimate and exciting concert space.















October 9, 2021 7:30 PM — Potter Center

After the year we've all had it's time to celebrate overcoming obstacles together, come join us for our season opener featuring the works of these great composers who have overcome their own trials. The JSO is also thrilled to partner with the Kosciuszko Foundation for the Wieniawski Violin Competition. The competition winner, Clara Saitkoulov will be joining the JSO to perform Tchaikovsky's world-renowned Violin Concerto. Don't miss out on a chance to hear classical music's next superstar!

Preconcert Conversation

Join us at 6:30 pm for a free, interactive lecture on this evening's featured music.



Clara Saitkoulov

PROGRAM

SAMUEL COLERIDGE-TAYLOR Ballade, Op. 33, A minor (1898)

PYOTR ILYICH TCHAIKOVSKY Violin Concerto Op. 35, TH 59, D major (1878) Clara Saitkoulov. violin

Intermission

JOHANNES BRAHMS

Symphony No.1 in C minor, Op. 68 (1876)

RUNTIME: 2H

TICKETS

Section A −\$35.00

Section B −\$30.00

Section C −\$20.00

Students -\$5.00









November 13, 2021 7:30 PM — Potter Center

The second concert of the season presents works by composers with a progressive voice. Our first half features music by two female composers including the world premiere of Audrey Kelley's *Speakeasy* written in honor of the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment and the American premiere of Fernande Decruck's Harp Concerto with JSO Principal Harpist **Chen-Yu Huang**. The second half showcases Berlioz's *Symphonie Fantastique*. Berlioz used unique instrumentation to depict the story of an opium-induced dream.

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AUDREY KELLEY

Speakeasy (2020)

FERNANDE BREILH-DECRUCK

Chen-Yu Huang

Concerto for Harp and Orchestra (1944)

Audrey Kelley

Chen-Yu Huang, harp

Symphonie Fantastique Op. 14 (1830)

RUNTIME: 1H 45M

TICKETS

Section A -\$35.00

Section B - \$30.00

Section C −\$20.00

Students −\$5.00





Arnaud Sussmann

February 11 & 12, 2022 7:30 PM — Weatherwax Hall

February 13, 2022 2:00 PM — Weatherwax Hall

The JSO celebrates Beethoven's 250th 251st birthday with two of his most iconic works, both written in 1803. The Triple Concerto is a celebration of virtuosity with 3 soloists vying for the spotlight. The 3rd Symphony, which was written as Beethoven began to reconcile the loss of his hearing, marks a turning point for Beethoven and is considered by many to be his best symphony! We open the program with a premiere by the American composer Larry Alan Smith that takes inspiration from Beethoven's music. Come experience the evolution of Beethoven's music and the lasting impact it has had on Classical music.

Preconcert Conversation (Saturday Only)

Join us at 6:30 pm for a free, interactive lecture on this evening's featured music.

Q&A Session (Friday & Sunday Only)

Join us after the show for a free Q&A session with our guest artists.

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PROGRAM



Marika Bournaki

LARRY ALAN SMITH TBD (2022)

Larry Alan Smith

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN Concerto for Violin, Cello and Piano in C major, Op. 56 "Triple" (1803) Arnaud Sussmann, violin

Julian Schwarz

Arnaud Sussmann, violin Julian Schwarz, cello Marika Bournaki, piano

Intermission -

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

Symphony No. 3 in E-flat major Op. 55 "Eroica" (1803)

RUNTIME: 1H 30M

TICKETS

Section A - \$35.00

Section B −\$30.00

Section C −\$20.00

Students -\$5.00



March 26, 2022 7:30 PM — Potter Center

Join the JSO and internationally renowned pianist **Inon Barnatan** for a date night featuring some of classical music's most beautiful works. The performance will include Rachmaninov's famous 2nd Piano Concerto, the piece that became his claim to fame as a composer and pulled him out of a years-long depressive phase. The program opens with Sibelius's 5th Symphony which praises the natural world. Of the 5th Symphony, Sibelius said "It is as if God Almighty had thrown down pieces of a mosaic for heaven's floor and asked me to find out what was the original pattern."

Preconcert Conversation

Join us at 6:30 pm for a free, interactive lecture on this evening's featured music.

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Inon Barnatan

PROGRAM

ETHEL SMYTH

Boatswain's Mate Overture (1914)

JEAN SIBELIUS

Symphony No. 5 in E-flat major, Op. 82 (1915-1919)

Intermission

SERGEI RACHMANINOV

Piano Concerto No. 2 in C minor, Op. 18 (1900-1901)

Inon Barnatan, piano

RUNTIME: 1H 30M

TICKETS

Section A −\$35.00

Section B −\$30.00

Section C −\$20.00

Students -\$5.00





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7:30 PM — Weatherwax Hall

April 29 & 30, 2022

May 1, 2022 2:00 PM — Weatherwax Hall

Our season finale features an inaugural collaboration with the Gilmore Keyboard Festival as we showcase **Elliot Wuu** playing Chopin's First Piano Concerto. The program opens with a newly commissioned work by Jackson native **Marcus Norris** that will celebrate and commemorate the post-pandemic future. Composed nearly 90 years ago for the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Florence Price's First Symphony will close our season.

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Marcus Norris

Elliot Wuu

PROGRAM

MARCUS NORRIS

TBD (2020)

FRYDERYK CHOPIN

Piano Concerto No. 1, Op. 11, E minor (1830) Elliot Wuu, *piano*

Intermission

FLORENCE PRICE

Symphony No. 1, E minor (1931-1932)

RUNTIME: 2H

TICKFTS

Section A - \$35.00

Section B - \$30.00

Section C - \$20.00

Students -\$5.00



In the fall of 2020, our Music on Tap series begins its 7th season! Things have changed quite a bit since our first concert in March of 2014, but our goal remains the same: to improve our community by bringing nationally and internationally touring musicians from multiple genres of music into the heart of downtown Jackson. In addition to the incredible music, each concert features a cash bar and other refreshments, so make a night of it and come share "World Class Music, So Close to Home!"

MUSIC ON TAP SEASON TICKETS:

Attend all 6 MoT concerts and get a 20% discount off of advance ticket prices and more than 35% off of the price at the door. *Details at jacksonsymphony.org*.

Individual Tickets

Advance Tickets — \$15 to \$25 At door — \$20 to \$30



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SEASON SPONSORS





OCT | ACROSS THE GENRES O2 | WITH WARP TRIO

Reflecting the combination of Juilliard-trained members juxtaposed with members steeped in rock and jazz styles, **Warp Trio** is a one-of-a-kind trio (that even has a fourth member!) and brings an electrifying performance to Weatherwax Hall. Join us on a journey across the genres with this internationally touring remixed chamber music experience.

NOV THE VOICE OF SOULFUL FOLK-POP WITH THE JOSHUA DAVIS BAND

Since his appearance as a finalist on Season 8 of NBC's "The Voice", **Joshua Davis** has been churning out an album a year investing himself in the American musical tradition. He has been pushing the bounds of genres connecting folk, blues, jazz, ragtime, and country forms to discover his personal perspective as a composer.

JAN | COMEDY NIGHT 22 | WITH HEYWOOD BANKS

Heywood Banks is a simply one-of-a-kind, almost impossible to describe artist, with a style of his very own. Equal parts genius and buffoon, this songwriter-comic-singer-poet- musician has become a cult hero and a pop icon. His show appeals equally to college students, businessmen, yuppies, punks, kids, or your grandmother. Join us for a night of laughs at

Weatherwax Hall! Commonwealth



FEB | BLUEGRASS-ISH | WITH THUNDERWÜDE

Michigan's own **Thunderwüde** is a bluegrass trio that blends original content, modern hits, and classic bluegrass in performances that have something for everyone. Their ability to connect with the audience will bring Weatherwax Hall to life during a performance you won't want to miss.

MAR | IRISH FESTIVAL 2022 12 | WITH TBD

The highly anticipated Irish Festival is always an amazing evening and a sellout event! Returning to our Music on Tap lineup this concert features traditional

Irish music to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Get your tickets early, and get your Irish on. Sláinte!

IN HONOR OF MARY ANN DONLEY KESSLER

MAY | SINGER-SONGWRITER SHOWCASE O7 | WITH JOHN D. LAMB & FRIENDS

John D. Lamb returns with another of his very popular Songwriter Showcases. Those who have attended these concerts in the past know that John uses his deep connections in the Michigan songwriting community to fill the stage with amazing artists. John is the consummate MC and lends his considerable songwriting chops to an evening that is sure to once again impress the Weatherwax Hall audience!

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A SALUTE TO AMERICA

August 27, 2021 7:00 PM — Horrace Blackman Park

The Jackson Symphony Orchestra is proud to announce Patriotic Pops, a FREE concert to take place on Friday, August 27 at 7:00 PM, at Horace Blackman Park. This summer we'll pay tribute to America and its steadfast strength in the face of hardship with a mixture of marches, film scores, and iconic works. These pieces are all composed by American composers including music by Aaron Copland, John Philip Sousa and John Williams. The concert is free but you can purchase VIP tickets for \$20 which includes special seating and one drink ticket.



















A CLASSIC HOLIDAY TRADITION FOR AUDIENCES OF ALL AGES

December 4, 2021*

2:00 PM at Chelsea High School, Chelsea

December 5, 2021*

2:00 PM at Chelsea High School, Chelsea

*Featuring Guest Conductor, Danh Pham

December 11, 2021

7:00 PM at Potter Center, Jackson

December 12, 2021

2:00 PM at Potter Center, Jackson

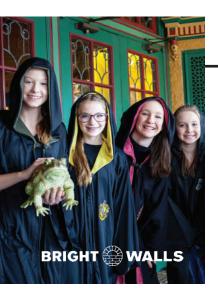
Ballet Chelsea proudly presents its 24th annual performance of *The Nutcracker*, a Christmas Eve tale about a young girl named Marie and her magical journey to the enchanted Kingdom of Sweets. Choreographed by Artistic Director **Wendi DuBois**, the Ballet Chelsea company artists and the Jackson Symphony Orchestra musicians will come together for the fourth year to present this annual full-length, narrated ballet.

RUNTIME: 2H





SPECIAL EVENTS



HALLOWEEN CHILDREN'S CONCERT

October 31, 2021 1:00 PM — The Michigan Theatre

Costumes, candy, and more! Your little ghost or goblin will help haunt the Michigan Theatre for the Jackson Symphony Orchestra's Halloween Children's Concert. This exciting program features frightfully fun symphonic music perfect for young eyes and ears. The entire family is invited to dress up in their favorite costume along with our musicians to enjoy "boo-tiful" music! This concert is a wonderful chance for you to introduce your children to the wonders of live orchestral music

STAR WARS AND MORE

May 21, 2022 7:00 PM – The Michigan Theatre

The JSO and Ella Sharp are taking you out of this world at lightspeed with a performance including iconic space themes from your favorite movies, including scores from *Star Wars*, *Star Trek*, and *E.T.* Join us at the Michigan Theatre for an event that's perfect for the whole family.

Children and adults alike can come dressed as their favorite character—you never know who you may encounter on the JSO's trip into space.



WEATHERWAX HALL

AT THE JSO

The Jackson Symphony Orchestra's newly renovated Weatherwax Hall, located in downtown Jackson, is available to rent for all of your special events. We offer our spacious ground level floor for weddings, family reunions and community events.

Rates start at \$125/hour.

For more information on packages and pricing, visit jacksonsymphony.org/weatherwax-hall or call our office at 517.782.3221.



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CMS Opportunities 2021-2022

- Private Music Lessons (all ages)
- Early Childhood Music Classes
- Kids' Choir (K-2nd)
- Kids' Chorale (3rd-middle school)
- Piano Kids (K-2nd)
- String Teams
- Jackson Youth Symphony Orchestra
- Adult Strings Class

The Jackson Community Music School has been a major component of the Jackson Symphony Orchestra's ongoing commitment to education and outreach since 1992. Every week, hundreds of music students of all ages come through our doors, and we engage thousands more every year in our community through public concerts, school outreach, and cultural events.



For more information about enrollment, private lessons, and upcoming events, visit us on **Facebook**, at **jacksonmusicschool.org**, or call **517.782.3221**.



JACKSON SYMPHONY GUILD

The Jackson Symphony Guild functions exclusively for the benefit of the Jackson Symphony Orchestra. This dynamic group of volunteers work together to raise funds to support the JSO. In past years, contributions totaled 9% of the JSO's operating budget.

Funds are raised through membership dues and, most significantly, through the Annual Holiday Ball. In addition to supporting the JSO, we provide scholarships to community youth and young musicians to take lessons at the Community Music School.

Guild members are also active volunteers. The Holiday Ball provides the greatest opportunity to volunteer, whether you like to decorate or help run the silent auction. There are many short-term and long-term opportunities to get involved. Volunteers also host concert receptions and plan the Annual Meeting — a fun celebration of our accomplishments.

BASIC MEMBERSHIP — \$25

An individual membership in the JSG.

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP - \$45

Families or individuals willing to give extra financial support to the Guild.

PATRON MEMBERSHIP - \$85

Consistent with JSO policy, patrons whose Guild membership is \$100 and above will be listed in the JSO concert program.





For more information about the Jackson Symphony Guild, please go to: jacksonsymphony.org/jackson-symphony-guild/

JACKSON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The **JSO Annual Fund** is the lifeblood of the Jackson Symphony Orchestra. It sustains our players, provides a home for our orchestra and community music school, helps keep ticket prices affordable, and subsidizes the expense of programs like early childhood music and a host of special music events offered by the JSO.

JSO Annual Fund contributions are tax-deductible and contributors also enjoy great premium awards as our way of saying thank you for your support!

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Listing in the JSO programs

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- One free pass (per season ticket) to "Bring a Friend" to any one of our Signature Series Programs.
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TICKET RATES

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SIGNATURE SERIES

October 9 at 7:30 pm				
SYMPHONIE FANTASTIQUE November 13 at 7:30 pm				
• February 11 at 7:30 pm • February 12 at 7:30 pm • February 13 at 2:00 pm				
ROMANTIC RACHMANINOFF Mar. 26 at 7:30 pm				
• April 29 at 7:30 pm • April 30 at 7:30 pm • May 1 at 2:00 pm				
SEASON TICKET SECTIONS: A (\$140) B (\$120) C (\$80)				
ACROSS THE GENRES October 2, 2021 at 8:00 pm				
November 20, 2021 at 8:00 pm				
January 22, 2022 at 8:00 pm				
BLUEGRASS-ISH February 19, 2022 at 8:00 pm				
IRISH FESTIVAL 2022 March 12, 2022 at 8:00 pm				
SINGER-SONGWRITER SHOWCASE —				

SEASON TICKETS: \$88 (20% off retail price for all 6 concerts)

May 7, 2022 at 8:00 pm

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