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The Cleveland Orchestra in the Community Spring/Summer/Early Fall

Calendar of in-person Community & Education Events in Greater Cleveland Beginning in May

CLEVELAND – Today, The Cleveland Orchestra announced details of recent and upcoming education and community engagement events, providing children, families, and citizens across Northeast Ohio with opportunities to connect with the Orchestra and with music this spring, summer, and early fall.

In May, the Orchestra hosted a booth at **Cleveland Asian Festival** and presented an **Honoring Black Composers** concert at Karamu House, the oldest, producing African American theater in the U.S. In June, find our booth downtown at the **Pride in the CLE** festival and again at **Summer Arts Fest** at Wade Oval in the University Circle district. In July, visit Frank Novak Park outside the Cleveland Public Library Carnegie West Branch for a **Music Explorers concert** and downtown at **La Placita Festival** for a short concert of works by Hispanic composers.

In August, an Orchestra chamber ensemble will perform a concert at Lakewood Public Library for the city's **Front Porch Concert Series**, and a **Music Explorers concert** will be presented at **PorchRokr Music and Art Festival** in Akron's Highland Square district. Plus, later that month, the Orchestra will have a booth at **One World Day**, the official event of the Cleveland Cultural Gardens since 1946. At a fall date to be determined, an Orchestra chamber ensemble will perform a concert at Julia de Burgos Cultural Arts Center to celebrate **Hispanic Heritage Month**.

The Orchestra's Education and Community Engagement programs have reached more than four million people in the 104-year history of the institution, and annually serve more than 100,000 students and families. For more information visit: www.clevelandorchestra.com/engage/community-programs/.

Calendar Listing Education and Community Engagement events

CLEVELAND ASIAN FESTIVAL
E 27th St. and Payne Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44114
Saturday, May 21, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 22, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

The Cleveland Orchestra booth at the Cleveland Asian Festival provided information about Orchestra programs and upcoming events and presented an Instrument Discovery activity. The Cleveland Asian Festival is a grassroots festival that highlights Cleveland's AsiaTown, diversity, and Asian culture in Northeast Ohio. It was organized by the community as a celebration of Cleveland's diversity during Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month in May.

For more information, visit <https://clevelandasianfestival.org/2022/>

HONORING BLACK COMPOSERS

Karamu House, 2355 E 89th Street, Cleveland, OH 44106

Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Performed by Members of The Cleveland Orchestra

In collaboration with The Cleveland Orchestra

Elayna Duitman, *violin*

Kathleen Collins, *violin*

Sonja Molloy, *viola*

Charles Bernard, *cello*

Frank Rosenwein, *oboe*

Carolyn Gadiel Warner, *piano*

Isabel Trautwein, *violin and artistic lead*

Joshua Smith, *flute*

Eliesha Nelson, *viola*

Lisa Boyko, *viola*

Bryan Dumm, *cello*

Emma Shook, *violin and artistic lead*

Yun-Ting Lee, *violin*

Dianna White-Gould, *piano*

Dan Overly, *piano*

BRIAN R. NABORS Ohio Sketches String Quartet

WILLIAM GRANT STILL Incantation and Dance

DOLORES WHITE Blues Dialogues

JULIA PERRY Pastoral for Flute Septet

GEORGE WALKER Molto adagio from String Quartet No. 1

COLERIDGE-TAYLOR PERKINSON Lament

H. LESLIE ADAMS Sonata for Violin and Piano

ALLISON LOGGINS-HULL Homeland

WILLIAM GRANT STILL Danzas de Panama

Musicians of The Cleveland Orchestra performed in a community concert entitled “Honoring Black Composers” showcasing music by African American Classical composers, past and present, including some who were born in Ohio. Composers included Dolores White, H. Leslie Adams, Brian Raphael Nabors, William Grant Still, Allison Loggins-Hull, and more. This one-hour concert was presented at Karamu House, which is recognized as the oldest, producing African American theatre in the nation. Following the performance, there was a talkback discussion and dialogue with musicians and composers.

This concert is free, tickets are required.

For more information, visit www.clevelandorchestra.com/attend/concerts-and-events/2122/other-events/honoring-black-composers/

PRIDE IN THE CLE

Downtown Cleveland, Malls B & C

Saturday, June 4, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Visit The Cleveland Orchestra’s booth at Pride in the CLE to learn more about our programs and upcoming events, bring home Cleveland Orchestra-branded merchandise, and take part in our Instrument Discovery activity. Discover your inner musician by trying out orchestral instruments!

For more information, visit <https://lgbtcleveland.org/pride/>

SUMMER ARTS FEST: DANCE WITH GIANTS

Wade Oval, University Circle, 10820 East Blvd Cleveland, OH 44106
Saturday, June 11, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Visit The Cleveland Orchestra's booth at Summer Arts Fest to learn more about our programs and upcoming events, bring home Cleveland Orchestra-branded merchandise, and take part in our Instrument Discovery activity. Discover your inner musician by trying out orchestral instruments!

For more information, visit <https://www.universitycircle.org/events/2022/06/11/summer-arts-fest-dance-with-giants>

MUSIC EXPLORERS CONCERT

Frank Novak Park, Cleveland Public Library Carnegie West Branch, Ohio City
1900 Fulton Road, Cleveland, OH 44113
July (date to be confirmed)

A Cleveland Orchestra chamber ensemble will perform a short Music Explorers concert for young audiences at Frank Novak Park to learn about the instruments of the orchestra, one at a time, with an engaging host leading these engaging musical adventures. Presented by PNC Bank.

LA PLACITA FESTIVAL

3104 W 25th St, Cleveland, OH 44109
Sunday, July 31, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

A Cleveland Orchestra chamber ensemble will perform a short concert of works by Hispanic composers for audiences at La Placita Festival. Visit our booth at the festival to learn more about our programs and upcoming events and bring home Cleveland Orchestra-branded merchandise.

For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/LaPlacitaCleveland/>

FRONT PORCH CONCERT SERIES

Lakewood Public Library, 15425 Detroit Avenue, Lakewood, OH 44107
Friday, August 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

A Cleveland Orchestra chamber ensemble will perform a concert for audiences at Lakewood Public Library in conjunction with one of Lakewood's favorite traditions, their Front Porch Concert Series. The concert will be approximately one hour in length.

For more information, visit <https://www.lakewoodalive.org/event/2022-front-porch-concert-series/>

MUSIC EXPLORERS CONCERT

PorchRokr Music and Art Festival
Highland Square, Akron, OH
Saturday, August 20, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

A Cleveland Orchestra chamber ensemble will perform a short Music Explorers concert for young audiences at PorchRokr Music and Art Festival to learn about the instruments of the orchestra, one at a time, with an engaging host leading these engaging musical adventures. Visit our booth at the festival to learn more about our programs and upcoming events and bring home Cleveland Orchestra-branded merchandise.

ONE WORLD DAY

Cleveland Cultural Gardens
Sunday, August 28, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Visit The Cleveland Orchestra's booth at One World Day to learn more about our programs and upcoming events, bring home Cleveland Orchestra-branded merchandise, and take part in our Instrument Discovery activity. Discover your inner musician by trying out orchestral instruments!

For more information, visit <https://clevelandculturalgardens.org/one-world-day/>

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH CONCERT

Julia de Burgos Cultural Arts Center, 2800 Archwood Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44109

September/October (date to be confirmed)

A Cleveland Orchestra chamber ensemble will perform a short concert for audiences at Julia de Burgos Cultural Arts Center in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month. The Julia de Burgos Cultural Arts Center was one of three recipients of our Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Service Award in 2022, and they were honored for their important work in providing programs and events for the Latinx artists, youth, and families throughout Cleveland.

For more information, visit <https://juliadeburgos.org/>

Cleveland Orchestra Education and Community Engagement vision

The Cleveland Orchestra's education and community engagement programs are part of its bold vision for the future. The Orchestra recognizes its responsibility to reimagine the music education landscape in Northeast Ohio, for the region's children and for our collective future. These programs and offerings move the Orchestra closer to accomplishing four key goals:

1. Expand **access** and remove barriers so that every child in Greater Cleveland can experience The Cleveland Orchestra.
2. Enable more children — from all walks of life — to **play music** and reap the life-long cognitive, academic, and social-emotional benefits that music study provides.
3. **Advocate** for why music matters, raising awareness for the well-documented benefits of music for people of all ages and for the essential role music and the arts play in society.
4. **Unite** our diverse community through music, connecting people to each other through the power of music.

Free online educational resources

Through online resources and videos, educators, and music lovers in Cleveland and around the world can learn about the Orchestra and its instruments. Among the online offerings:

- **Choose Your Instrument** is a video series that guides beginners in choosing an orchestral instrument. The videos showcase world-class Cleveland Orchestra musicians on stage at Severance sharing musical stories, practical tips, and encouragement for students to join their orchestra or band program, along with a brief solo performance. Watch the full series on our YouTube channel at this playlist link:
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL3zevNxAsOJ87ulNueGSNeSocIXCQrUdx>
- Gather 'round for **Storytime with The Cleveland Orchestra**, where musicians read their favorite story books. Designed for ages 3-11, this series features enchanting, whimsical illustrations that float throughout the frame to bring these stories to life. Watch the full series on our YouTube channel at this playlist link:
https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL3zevNxAsOJ_E2Skr1_metLUZrgSdcWz9
- **What Is An Orchestra?** is a dynamic and engaging video series for students hosted by Associate Conductor Vinay Parameswaran and featuring musicians of The Cleveland Orchestra. This series teaches the fundamentals of an orchestra, the role of the conductor, and the unique sounds and personalities of the instrument families. Designed primarily for students in Grades 4-8, learners

of all ages will enjoy the five-episode series which also includes guided lessons and interactive quizzes. Watch the full series on our YouTube channel at this playlist link:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL3zevNxAsOJ_7tmlr_6ieohulQWdvtbvtH

- You can find more of our digital resources here:

<https://www.clevelandorchestra.com/engage/learning-resources/>

The popular **Under 18s Free** program, part of The Cleveland Orchestra's **Center for Future Audiences**, continues to expand access for young audiences by making Orchestra concerts affordable for families, offering free tickets to young people 17 and under, for the Family Concert Series, Music Explorers, Cleveland Orchestra Youth Orchestra concerts, and select Cleveland Orchestra Severance Music Center and Blossom Music Festival concerts again this season. The Cleveland Orchestra's **Center for Future Audiences**, created with a lead endowment gift from the Maltz Family Foundation, was established to fund programs to develop new generations of audiences for Cleveland Orchestra concerts in Northeast Ohio. In addition to Under 18s Free, the Center also supports programs for college students and young professionals.

Watch a highlight reel from last summer's community concerts at our YouTube channel here:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=QrjMovvK29c

For information about the Orchestra's continuing Education and Community Engagement programs, visit our website at www.clevelandorchestra.com/education-and-community/education-overview/.

The Cleveland Orchestra's Education and Community Programs Serving Northeast Ohio

The Cleveland Orchestra's commitment to education and community service was central to the establishment of the Orchestra in 1918, and has never been more important. Over the past hundred years, The Cleveland Orchestra has introduced more than four million young people to symphonic music through live concert experiences. Today, with the support of many generous individual, foundation, corporate, and governmental funding partners, the Orchestra's education and community programs reach more than 100,000 young people and adults annually, helping to foster a lifelong relationship with music. As Music Director Franz Welser-Möst leads the Orchestra into its second century with a renewed commitment to music education and community engagement based on his belief that every child's life should include music, he continues to emphasize that the arts are critical to a well-rounded education and that learning is a lifelong pursuit and journey.

As we look to the future, we strive to be Cleveland's Orchestra, engaging our diverse citizenry and building community through music, removing barriers to participation, advocating for and helping to facilitate equitable access to comprehensive music education in schools, nurturing the next generation of musicians and audience members, and harnessing the life-changing power of music to make the world a better place through new initiatives developed for even greater impact. For more information visit www.clevelandorchestra.com/education-and-community/overview/.

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