



WESTERN PIEDMONT SYMPHONY

MATTHEW TROY, MUSIC DIRECTOR

OUR 2023 – 2024 SEASON
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59th Season of Inspiring Music

2023 - 2024

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Join the Western Piedmont Symphony for our season of **MUSIC FOR YOU**. Featuring world-class guest artists, familiar and new classical works, up-and-coming ensembles, dynamic and unforgettable pops shows, and new concerts for families.

Maestro Matthew Troy leads **YOUR** professional orchestra of the western foothills of North Carolina in a season of captivating and diverse musical experiences for the whole community.

See you at the concert hall!



MASTERWORKS

Five concerts of new and familiar classical symphonic works with world-class guest artists featuring the Western Piedmont Symphony led by Maestro Matthew Troy.

All MASTERWORKS concerts occur at 7:30 p.m. at P.E. Monroe Auditorium, Hickory, NC.
Tickets: \$20, \$30, \$40, \$50; students (with valid ID): \$10.

OTHER WORLDS | Saturday, October 21, 2023

Tchaikovsky	Romeo and Juliet Overture
Jiping, Zhao	Concerto No. 2 for Pipa and Orchestra
	Wu Man, pipa
Respighi	Pines of Rome



ROMANCE & REALISM | Saturday, November 18, 2023

Shostakovich	The Gadfly: Suite, op.97a
Rachmaninoff	Piano Concerto No. 2 in C minor, op.18
	The Greg Knight Endowment Guest Artist:
	Dmitri Vorobiev, piano



CARMINA BURANA | Friday, February 9, 2024

Brahms	Academic Festival Overture
Orff	<i>Carmina Burana</i>
	Sequina DuBose, soprano
	Daniel Stein, tenor
	David Pershall, baritone

Featuring members of the CVCC Chorus, Hickory Choral Society, Lenoir-Rhyne A Cappella Choir, Lenoir-Rhyne Youth Chorus



SYMPHONIE FANTASTIQUE | Thursday, March 7, 2024

Smythe	Overture to The Wreckers
Bruch	Concerto No. 1 for Violin in G minor
	Kelly Hall-Tompkins, violin
Berlioz	Symphonie Fantastique



LANDSCAPES | Thursday, May 16, 2024

Perttu, Daniel	Appalachian Vistas (WORLD PREMIERE)
Ferenz, Amber	<i>Kachina</i> (WORLD PREMIERE)
	Amber Ferenz, bassoon
Grofé	Grand Canyon Suite



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FOOTHILLS POPS

Three fun, thrilling, entertaining orchestral experiences with popular guest artists featuring the Western Piedmont Symphony led by Maestro Matthew Troy.

All FOOTHILLS POPS concerts occur at 7:30 p.m. at J.E. Broyhill Civic Center, Lenoir, NC.
Tickets: \$30, \$40, \$50; students (with valid ID): \$10.

DISNEY IN CONCERT-A *Dream is a Wish* | Saturday, September 16, 2023

DISNEY IN CONCERT-A *Dream is a Wish* transports audiences into the musical world of classic and contemporary Disney Animated Feature films to discover that dreams really do come true. Join us as we awaken a little mermaid who longs to be human, a lion cub who struggles to find his place in the circle of life, and two sisters who wish to warm a frozen relationship. The stories of *The Little Mermaid*, *The Lion King*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Frozen*, *Aladdin* and more, are told through the talents of four Broadway-caliber singers, original Disney film footage and sweeping orchestral scores performed by the Western Piedmont Symphony and conducted by Maestro Matthew Troy. The magic of Disney storytelling comes to life once again and reminds us anew that anything is possible, "... if you keep on believing, the dream that you wish will come true."

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HOLIDAY SPECTACULAR | Friday, December 1, 2023

Everyone's favorite seasonal concert is back for an evening of holiday songs and winter music classics. The region's best way to start your holiday season! Special guest artists include Matt Sickels, *guitar*, and more to be announced.

TOTALLY AWESOME 80s | Saturday, April 20, 2024

Get your Members Only jacket, wraparound sunglasses, and neon shirts ready! The Jeans 'N Classics Band returns to perform totally rad hits from the 80s by Prince, The B-52s, Tears for Fears, Cindy Lauper, and many more!



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CROSSROADS

The re-envisioned CROSSROADS series features duos, quartets, and small ensembles exploring a variety of different music styles. *Presented on Thursday evenings in conjunction with L.A.T.E. hours at Hickory Museum of Art.*

All CROSSROADS concerts occur at 7:30 p.m. Drendel Auditorium at the SALT Block, Hickory, NC. Tickets: \$28; students (with valid ID): \$10.

LOW & LOWER | November 2, 2023

Brooks Whitehouse, *cello*, and Paul Sharpe, *bass*

If you like stringed instruments and comedy, you cannot miss this performance. A mash-up of artistry, virtuosity, and satire, developing a completely new genre in answer to the question, "Cello and bass ... seriously?"

ARIEL POCOCK & CHAD EBY JAZZ DUO | January 18, 2024

North Carolina's Ariel Pocock and Chad Eby have been delighting audiences around the world for the past five years with their friendly duo interpretations of jazz standards and other music. Expect bold and whimsical twists on the familiar, lesser-known gems from jazz, film, and popular song, as well as compelling original compositions.

KAIA STRING QUARTET | March 21, 2024

Featured Artists: Victoria Moreira, *violin*; Naomi Culp, *violin*; Susan Bengtson Price, *viola*; Hope DeCelle, *cello*

From the tango of the Rio de la Plata to the string quartets of Silvestre Revueltas, the KAIA String Quartet is an ensemble devoted to promoting the rich and colorful music of Latin America and more.

HANK, PATTIE, AND THE CURRENT | May 2, 2024

With special guests the WPS Maestro's Quartet

Hard-hitting bluegrass pickers who moonlight as symphonic classical musicians, Hank, Pattie, and The Current, led by banjo player Hank Smith and fiddle player and vocalist Pattie Kinlaw with Billie Feather on guitar and Stevie Martinez on bass, take an innovative twist on traditional bluegrass music and mix it with a soulful brew flavored with classical, Motown, jazz, and pop influences.

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DISCOVERY

family concerts

NEW this season! Discover musical adventures of live symphonic music and explore the magic of Halloween and the inspiring and familiar music of sports and games. One-hour fun, family-themed concerts that delight all ages. Featuring the Western Piedmont Symphony led by Maestro Matt! *Presented in partnership with the Catawba Science Center.*

DISCOVERY FAMILY CONCERTS occur at P.E. Monroe Auditorium, Hickory, NC. Pre-concert activities begin at 2:00 p.m., and the music begins at 3:00 p.m. Tickets: \$5 youth under age 12; \$10 students with valid ID; \$14 adult. (Note: no series subscription for DISCOVERY FAMILY CONCERTS)

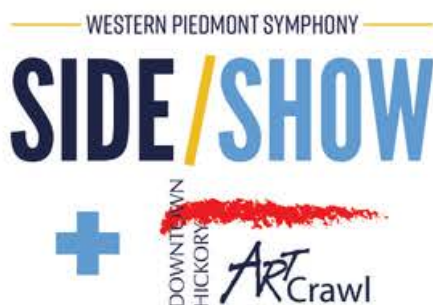
MAGICAL SPOOKTACULAR

Sunday, October 29, 2023



WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS

Sunday, April 28, 2024



Thursday, September 21, 2023
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Join the Western Piedmont Symphony chamber ensembles for FREE, unique, live music experiences. Happening in downtown Hickory in partnership with the Downtown Hickory Fall Art Crawl. Performers and locations to be announced. Sponsored by the City of Hickory.

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YOUTH ORCHESTRAS

Fall Concert: Sunday, December 3, 2023
Spring Concert: Sunday, April 14, 2024

The Youth Symphony is a full orchestra of young musicians that meets weekly in the fall and spring to grow as musicians and learn to play as one group. Debut Strings is a strings-only ensemble for young musicians who are new to playing in an ensemble setting. Support our young artists in performance!

Drendel Auditorium at the SALT Block
\$5 General Admission

CONCERT LOCATIONS

MASTERWORKS

P.E. Monroe Auditorium at Lenoir-Rhyne University
775 6th St. NE, Hickory, NC 28601

FOOTHILLS POPS

J.E. Broyhill Civic Center
1913 Hickory Blvd., Lenoir, NC 28645

CROSSROADS

Drendel Auditorium at the SALT Block
243 3rd Ave. NE, Hickory, NC 28601

DISCOVERY FAMILY CONCERTS

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SINGLE TICKETS 2023-2024			
#	SEATING PREFERENCES	COST	TOTAL
MASTERWORKS			
	SECTION A	\$50	
	SECTION B	\$40	
	SECTION C	\$30	
	SECTION D	\$20	
FOOTHILLS POPS			
	SECTION A	\$50	
	SECTION B	\$40	
	SECTION C	\$30	
CROSSROADS			
	ASSIGNED SEATING	\$28	
DISCOVERY FAMILY CONCERTS			
	ADULT	\$14	
	STUDENT (13-17)	\$10	
	CHILD (12 AND UNDER)	\$5	

FLEX PASS (6 CONCERTS)			
	FLEX PASS	\$192 (\$32/ CONCERT)	
<i>B AND C SECTIONS ONLY. PLEASE SPECIFY CONCERTS</i>			
FLEX PASS (10 CONCERTS)			
	FLEX PASS	\$290 (\$29/ CONCERT)	
<i>B AND C SECTIONS ONLY. PLEASE SPECIFY CONCERTS</i>			

SERIES SUBSCRIPTIONS 2023-2024			
#	SEATING PREFERENCES	COST	TOTAL
MASTERWORKS SERIES (5 CONCERTS)			
	SECTION A	\$210 (\$42/ CONCERT)	
	SECTION B	\$170 (\$34/ CONCERT)	
	SECTION C	\$125 (\$25/ CONCERT)	
FOOTHILLS POPS (3 CONCERTS)			
	SECTION A	\$126 (\$42/ CONCERT)	
	SECTION B	\$102 (\$34/ CONCERT)	
	SECTION C	\$75 (\$25/ CONCERT)	
CROSSROADS (4 CONCERTS)			
	SUBSCRIPTION	\$90 (\$24/ CONCERT)	

SEASON SUBSCRIPTIONS 2023-2024			
#	SEATING PREFERENCES	COST	TOTAL
GOLD ALL-IN SUBSCRIPTION <i>10% DISCOUNT ON TOTAL SUB A PRICES</i>			
	SECTION A <i>(12 CONCERTS MW, FP, CR)</i>	\$388	
SILVER ALL-IN SUBSCRIPTION <i>10% DISCOUNT ON TOTAL SUB B PRICES</i>			
	SECTION B <i>(12 CONCERTS MW, FP, CR)</i>	\$332	

CIRCLE ONE: VISA / MASTERCARD / CHECK

_____ SAME SEATS AS LAST YEAR, PLEASE
(SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY)

CARD #: _____

EXP DATE: _____ CVV #: _____

CHECK #: _____

TICKET TOTAL: _____

NAMES: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ADDITIONAL
CONTRIBUTION: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

GRAND TOTAL: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

Prices include local and state sales taxes.
Online purchases subject to \$2.50 service fee.

There are no refunds on purchased tickets. We encourage you to donate tickets that will not be used back to WPS in time for resale (your ticket donation will be acknowledged by a letter for tax purposes).

MAIL TO:
WPS, 243 3rd Ave. NE, Hickory, NC 28601

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