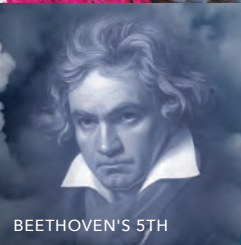




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# 18/19 SEASON

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## Joshua Bell

**THUR, SEPT 20, 2018 | 7:30PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Grant Llewellyn, conductor

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Berlioz: *Le Corsaire* Overture

Liszt: *Les préludes*

Rimsky-Korsakov: *Capriccio espagnol*

Brahms: Violin Concerto



## Beethoven's 5<sup>th</sup>

**FRI/SAT, SEPT 21-22, 2018 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Grant Llewellyn, conductor

Andrew Tyson, piano

North Carolina Master Chorale

Beethoven: Overture to *Fidelio*

Beethoven: Rondo for Piano and Orchestra

Beethoven: *Choral Fantasy*

Beethoven: Symphony No. 5



**TUES, SEPT 25, 2018 | 7:30PM**

RIVERFRONT CONVENTION CENTER, NEW BERN

**WED, SEPT 26, 2018 | 7:30PM**

MEMORIAL HALL, CHAPEL HILL

**THUR, SEPT 27, 2018 | 8PM**

LEE AUDITORIUM, SOUTHERN PINES

**FRI, SEPT 28, 2018 | NOON**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

**SAT, SEPT 29, 2018 | 7:30PM**

WILSON CENTER, WILMINGTON

Wesley Schulz, conductor

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Beethoven: Overture to *Fidelio*\*

Beethoven: Suite from *The Creatures of Prometheus*

Beethoven: Symphony No. 5

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## "Star Wars: A New Hope" in Concert

**FRI/SAT, OCT 5-6, 2018 | 8PM**

**SUN, OCT 7, 2018 | 7PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Weekend Sponsor: CEI - The Digital Office

The iconic 1977 film *Star Wars: A New Hope*

plays on the big screen as the Symphony

performs the heart-thumping John Williams score live.



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## Rhapsody in Blue

**FRI/SAT, OCT 12-13, 2018 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

**SUN, OCT 14, 2018 | 7:30PM**

WILSON CENTER, WILMINGTON

Grant Llewellyn, conductor

Makoto Ozone, piano

Eliza Bagg, soprano

Cherokee Chamber Singers

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Copland: *Fanfare for the Common Man*

Gershwin: *Rhapsody in Blue*

William Brittle: "Si Otseodoha"

(We're Still Here)

Copland: *Appalachian Spring*

This concert is made possible in part by support from the Cherokee Preservation Foundation.



FAMILY CONCERT

## Halloween Spooktacular Mystery at the Symphony

**SAT, OCT 27, 2018 | 1PM & 4PM**

MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM, RALEIGH

**SUN, OCT 28, 2018 | 3PM**

RIVERFRONT CONVENTION CENTER,

NEW BERN

Wesley Schulz, conductor

Gregory Smith, composer & narrator

Raleigh Series Sponsor: WakeMed Children's

Join us for our annual sell-out Halloween Spooktacular concert, a "whodunnit." The comical sleuth, Inspector Beckensteiner, investigates a concert where major suddenly became minor. The inspector suspects everyone, including the audience. Come early to enter our costume contest and try out the instruments at the Instrument Zoo!

TICKETS just \$27



## Tchaikovsky "Pathétique"

**THUR, NOV 15, 2018 | 7:30PM**

MEMORIAL HALL, CHAPEL HILL

**FRI/SAT, NOV 16-17, 2018 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Joshua Weilerstein, conductor

Michelle Cann, piano

Beethoven: *Leonore* Overture No. 3

Price: Piano Concerto in

One Movement

Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 6,

"Pathétique"



MICHELLE CANN

please refer to page 18 for details

# Mozart Mass "The Great"

**FRI/SAT, NOV 30-DEC 1, 2018 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Grant Llewellyn, *conductor*

Joëlle Harvey, *soprano*

Anya Matanovic, *soprano*

Nicholas Phan, *tenor*

Federico De Michelis, *bass-baritone*

North Carolina Master Chorale

Shubert: *Rosamunde* Overture

Shubert: "Nacht und Träume" (Night and Dreams)

Shubert: "Die Forelle" (The Trout)

Shubert: "Gretchen am Spinnrade" (Gretchen at the Spinning Wheel)

Mozart: Mass in C Minor, "The Great"

STATEWIDE

## Holiday Pops

**FRI, NOV 30, 2018 | NOON**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

**THUR, DEC 6, 2018 | 7:30PM**

MEMORIAL HALL, CHAPEL HILL

**TUES, DEC 11, 2018 | 7PM**

RIVERFRONT CONVENTION CENTER, NEW BERN

**WED, DEC 12, 2018 | 8PM**

LEE AUDITORIUM, SOUTHERN PINES

**THUR, DEC 13, 2018 | 7:30PM**

WHITE OAK HIGH SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE

**WED, DEC 19, 2018 | 7:30PM**

WILSON CENTER, WILMINGTON

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

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Celebrate the sounds of the season with all of your festive favorites, from "Greensleeves" to "White Christmas," and much more — and join in our traditional sing-a-long!

# Holidays with the Symphony



THANKSGIVING EVE

## The Merry Elf!

**WED, NOV 21, 2018 | 3PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

Concert Sponsor: Blue Cross Blue Shield of NC

A playful elf, sent by Santa to confirm the naughty and nice list, stumbles upon the best place to find holiday cheer — the North Carolina Symphony, of course! This family fun concert includes music from *The Grinch* and *Frozen*, plus a reading of *'Twas the Night Before Christmas*. Come early to visit with Santa in the lobby, get festive face-painting, and check out the Instrument Zoo.

THANKSGIVING WEEKEND

## Holiday Pops Extravaganza

**FRI, NOV 23, 2018 | 7:30PM**

**SAT, NOV 24, 2018 | 3PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

Holiday Pops returns bigger and better than ever! Gather together with your friends and family for this fun-filled, heartwarming spectacular featuring seasonal favorites plus a sing-a-long, falling snow, and a chorus line of dancing Santas. Visit Santa and enjoy the sounds of strolling carolers in the lobby starting one hour before the concert.

## Holiday Cirque Spectacular

**FRI, DEC 21, 2018 | 8PM**

**SAT, DEC 22, 2018 | 3PM & 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

An audience favorite returns: the circus meets the symphony! Stunning aerial feats, mind-boggling contortions, and jaw-dropping juggling acts will take your breath away — and with these awe-inspiring acrobatics accompanied by your favorite festive music, this show is sure to fill you and your family with the wonder of the season.



## A Candlelight Christmas

**SUN, DEC 23, 2018 | 7:30PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

North Carolina Symphony Children's Chorus

Back by popular demand! In the glow of candlelight, this one-hour program will warm your heart at the height of the holiday season. Share an evening of classical music with the North Carolina Symphony, uplifted by the voices of the NCS Children's Chorus.

NEW YEAR'S EVE

## Vienna with a Twist

**MON, DEC 31, 2018 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

NC Jazz Repertory Orchestra

Welcome the New Year with the North Carolina Symphony when we present an evening of unforgettable Viennese waltzes and Big Band classics with the North Carolina Jazz Repertory Orchestra.



**FAMILY CONCERT**

## The Mozart Experience

**SAT, JAN 5, 2019 | 1PM & 4PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

Scott MacLeod, *vocal*

Magic Circle Mime Company

*Series Sponsor: WakeMed Children's*

An impetuous street musician is caught playing the orchestra's grand piano. Much to her surprise the conductor does not scold her but instead offers her the chance to "be Mozart" for this program about the famous composer. The street musician and her prankster companion must now confront dilemmas and opportunities similar to those faced by Mozart.

## Mozart & Shostakovich

**THUR, JAN 10, 2019 | 7:30PM**

MEMORIAL HALL, CHAPEL HILL

**FRI/SAT, JAN 11-12, 2019 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Karina Canellakis, *conductor*

Mozart: Symphony No. 40

Shostakovich: Symphony No. 10

From the urgent murmurs of its opening theme to the irrepressible energy of the finale, Mozart's Symphony No. 40 was unlike any other that came before it. Shostakovich also broke new ground with his Symphony No. 10, finally able to express his unrestrained response to Stalin's regime with an impassioned outpouring of emotion.

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CANELLAKIS

## The Music of Billy Joel

Featuring Michael Cavanaugh

**FRI/SAT, JAN 18-19, 2019 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

Michael Cavanaugh performs Billy Joel's biggest hits — "She's Got a Way," "New York State of Mind," "Uptown Girl," "Only the Good Die Young," and more!

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## The Firebird

**FRI/SAT, JAN 25-26, 2019 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

**SUN, JAN 27, 2019 | 7:30PM**

MEMORIAL HALL, CHAPEL HILL

Grant Llewellyn, *conductor*

Augustin Hadelich, *violin*

Sibelius: *Valse triste*

Sibelius: *Violin Concerto*

Stravinsky: *Pulcinella Suite*

Stravinsky: *The Firebird Suite*

Stravinsky made his name with the opulent, dazzling score to *The Firebird*, based on the legend of a prince and a magical creature who break an evil spell. Just a decade later, he ushered in an era of simplicity and elegance with *Pulcinella*. These colorful ballet suites are paired with the breathtaking Sibelius Violin Concerto, featuring Grammy winner Augustin Hadelich.

## Tchaikovsky Serenade

**THUR, JAN 31, 2019 | 8PM**

LEE AUDITORIUM, SOUTHERN PINES

**FRI, FEB 1, 2019 | NOON**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

**TUES, FEB 5, 2019 | 7:30PM**

RIVERFRONT CONVENTION CENTER, NEW BERN

Grant Llewellyn, *conductor*

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Respighi: *Ancient Airs and Dances*, Suite 3

Grieg: "Holberg" Suite

Jessica Meyer: *Through Which We Flow*

Tchaikovsky: *Serenade for Strings*

Soaring melodies stir the soul in Tchaikovsky's tender *Serenade for Strings*, written as an homage to Mozart. Respighi's *Ancient Airs and Dances* and Grieg's "Holberg" Suite also find inspiration from the past, bringing freshness and flair to elegant dance forms.

## Valentine's Romantic Classics

**THUR, FEB 7, 2019 | 7:30PM**

MEMORIAL HALL, CHAPEL HILL

**FRI/SAT, FEB 8-9, 2019 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Grant Llewellyn, *conductor*

Dovid Friedlander, *violin*

Be seduced by the art and passion of the dance. From the grace and charm of Strauss' "Blue Danube" waltz, to selections from Tchaikovsky's picturesque *Swan Lake*, to the wild and whirling energy of Ravel's *La Valse*, the Symphony brings you music guaranteed to set your heart in motion.



# Mozart Symphony No. 40

**TUES, FEB 12, 2019 | 8PM**

LEE AUDITORIUM, SOUTHERN PINES

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

Mozart: Symphony No. 40 in G Minor

Sibelius: *Valse Triste*

Sibelius: Violin Concerto

Mozart's renowned Symphony No. 40 astonishes with intensity and bursts of jubilation — plus, hear the breathtaking Sibelius Violin Concerto performed by the Gold Medal winner of the prestigious 2018 International Violin Competition of Indianapolis.



**VALENTINE'S WEEKEND**

## The Music of Whitney Houston

**FRI/SAT, FEB 15-16, 2019 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Brent Havens, *conductor*

Rashidra Scott, *singer*

**Weekend Sponsor: Grubb Ventures**

**Saturday Concert Sponsor:**

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Whitney Houston was a diva of rare talent with a powerhouse voice that touched our hearts and souls. Join the Symphony and vocal sensation Rashidra Scott for a Valentine's weekend show celebrating the Whitney songs you know and love, including "How Will I Know?," "Where Do Broken Hearts Go?" and of course, "I Will Always Love You."

## Rachmaninoff Piano Concerto No. 2



**FRI/SAT, FEB 22-23, 2019 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Eivind Gullberg Jensen, *conductor*

Behzod Abduraimov, *piano*

Rene Orth: *Chasing Light*

Rachmaninoff: Piano Concerto No. 2

Berlioz: *Symphonie fantastique*



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# Brahms Symphony No. 2

**THUR, FEB 28, 2019 | 7:30PM**

MEMORIAL HALL, CHAPEL HILL

**FRI/SAT, MAR 1-2, 2019 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Clemens Schuldt, *conductor*

Jinjoo Cho, *violin*

Ligeti: *Romanian Concerto*

Korngold: Violin Concerto

Brahms: Symphony No. 2



The cheerful nature of the Brahms Symphony No. 2 calls to mind bright sunshine and blue skies, and Ligeti's Romanian Concerto shimmers with spirited folk tunes. Together with the unabashedly romantic Korngold Violin Concerto — which leaves no question as to Korngold's background as a film composer — this is a feel-good program that speaks directly to the soul.

## Broadway by Request

**FRI, MAR 8, 2019 | 8PM**

**SAT, MAR 9, 2019 | 3PM & 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

Your Broadway dreams come true as the Symphony invites you to choose the hits you want to hear! Vote for your favorite romantic, fun-filled, and inspiring songs made famous on the Great White Way — from *Wicked* to *Les Misérables*, from *The Phantom of the Opera* to *Chicago*, and many more. We bring the Broadway voices; you make your voice heard! Stay tuned for details on how to vote.

## Chopin & Mozart

**FRI, MAR 15, 2019 | NOON & 8PM**

**SAT, MAR 16, 2019 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

**SUN, MAR 17, 2019 | 7:30PM**

WILSON CENTER, WILMINGTON

Pablo Rus Broseta, *conductor*

Ingrid Fliter, *piano*

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Chopin: Piano Concerto No. 2

Stravinsky: Symphony in Three

Movements\*

Mozart: Symphony No. 35, "Haffner"

\*evening performances only



INGRID FLITER

Chopin's ability to shine a spotlight on the magic of the piano is nearly unparalleled. Pianist and Chopin devotee Ingrid Fliter revels in the virtuosic fireworks and stunning lyricism of the Piano Concerto No. 2, and stately works by Mozart and Stravinsky—including Mozart's splendid "Haffner" Symphony—bookend this dynamic showpiece.

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## From Classical to Broadway

**WED, MAR 20, 2019 | 8PM**

LEE AUDITORIUM, SOUTHERN PINES

**THUR, MAR 21, 2019 | 7:30PM**

RIVERFRONT CONVENTION CENTER, NEW BERN

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

*Southern Pines Concert Sponsor: Aging Outreach Services*

Share great moments in music with classical gems including Strauss' famous "Blue Danube" waltz and selections from Tchaikovsky's *Swan Lake*, along with Broadway hits including selections from *The Phantom of the Opera* and *South Pacific*.

### FAMILY CONCERT



## Carnival of the Animals

TICKETS just \$27

**SAT, MAR 30, 2019 | 1PM & 4PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

Paperhand Puppet Intervention

*Series Sponsor: WakeMed Children's*

Have you ever seen an elephant ballet? Or encountered giant sea creatures in a submarine? Look no further! Larger-than-life puppets and the Symphony will bring the animal kingdom to life for Saint-Saëns' favorite of young audiences (and the young at heart) — *The Carnival of the Animals*.



## Don Quixote

**FRI/SAT, APR 5-6, 2019 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Grant Llewellyn, *conductor*


Zuill Bailey, *cello*

Roberto Díaz, *viola*

Walton: Cello Concerto  
Strauss: *Don Quixote*

Guest artists Zuill Bailey, cello, and Roberto Díaz, viola, join NCS to portray the fantastical misadventures of literature's favorite befuddled knight and his loyal sidekick. The charming musical vignettes of *Don Quixote* and the wistful eloquence of the Walton Cello Concerto come together in this program to be recorded for the Symphony's next album.



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## Debussy's La Mer

MUSIC INSPIRED BY THE SEA



**THUR, APR 11, 2019 | 7:30PM**

WILSON CENTER, WILMINGTON

**FRI/SAT, APR 12-13, 2019 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH

Grant Llewellyn, *conductor*

Brian Reagin, *violin*

*Saturday Concert Sponsor: The Cypress of Raleigh*

Sibelius: *The Oceanides*

Chausson: *Poème*

Boulanger: *D'un matin de printemps*

Britten: *Four Sea Interludes*

Debussy: *La mer*

These three performances are made even more powerful with projected imagery of North Carolina seascapes and waterfalls, captured by the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences.



## Debussy's La Mer

MUSIC INSPIRED BY THE SEA

**SUN, APR 14, 2019 | 7:30PM**

MEMORIAL HALL, CHAPEL HILL

Grant Llewellyn, *conductor*

Brian Reagin, *violin*

**TUES, APR 23, 2019 | 8PM**

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# Carmina Burana

**FRI/SAT, MAY 3-4, 2019 | 8PM**  
MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH  
**SUN, MAY 5, 2019 | 7:30PM**  
WILSON CENTER, WILMINGTON  
**TUES, MAY 7, 2019 | 7:30PM**  
MEMORIAL HALL, CHAPEL HILL  
Carlos Miguel Prieto, *conductor*  
Karen Strittmatter Galvin, *violin*  
Jacqueline Saed Wolborsky, *violin*  
Ying Fang, *soprano*  
Vale Rideout, *tenor*  
Stephen Powell, *baritone*  
North Carolina Master Chorale  
Capital City Girls Choir

Primitive, passionate, and powerful, *Carmina Burana* is full of romantic love and carnal desire. Carlos Miguel Prieto conducts a program that will captivate you from start to finish, with the rhythms of *Hominum*, by Gabriela Ortiz, and the ethereal beauty of *Prince of Clouds*, by Anna Clyne.



hot ticket and image of biss on the piano



# Biss Plays Beethoven

**FRI, MAY 17, 2019 | NOON & 8PM**  
**SAT, MAY 18, 2019 | 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH  
Grant Llewellyn, *conductor*  
Jonathan Biss, *piano*

Caroline Shaw  Piano Concerto  
Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 3  
Prokofiev: *Classical Symphony*\*

Jonathan Biss brings his masterful artistry to one of Beethoven's most touching works, the Piano Concerto No. 3, along with the North Carolina native and Pulitzer Prize winner Caroline Shaw's new piano concerto, co-commissioned by the Symphony, and Prokofiev's tribute to Haydn and Mozart, the *Classical Symphony*.

\*selections will be performed at the noon concert



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# Pink Martini

**FRI, MAY 10, 2019 | 8PM**  
**SAT, MAY 11, 2019 | 3PM & 8PM**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH  
Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

*Weekend Sponsor: Celito.net*

Pink Martini is part big band, part classical ensemble, part salsa troupe, and all fun! The lush sounds of the Symphony back this popular group in a dynamic, vibrant show — with the silky, sultry voice of singer China Forbes featured front and center.



PINK MARTINI

# Light Classics

**WED, MAY 29, 2019 | 8PM**

LEE AUDITORIUM, SOUTHERN PINES

**FRI, JUNE 7, 2019 | NOON**

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH  
Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

Copland: *An Outdoor Overture*  
Liadov: *The Enchanted Lake*  
Tchaikovsky: *The Tempest*  
Mendelssohn: *The Hebrides*  
Beethoven: Selection from *Symphony No. 6*  
Wagner: *Forest Murmurs* from *Siegfried*  
Terry Mizessko: Selections from *Sketches from Pinehurst*

The warmth and rejuvenation of spring come alive in music ranging from Beethoven's expression of the bucolic countryside in his "Pastoral" Symphony, to Tchaikovsky's depiction of a raging sea in *The Tempest*, to Wagner's vision of enchanted woods in *Forest Murmurs*. These works and more will leave you with a renewed sense of gratitude for the beauty of nature.



# 18/19 NORTH CAROLINA SYMPHONY SPECIAL EVENT CONCERTS

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL, RALEIGH



## The Music of Queen

**SAT, SEPT 15, 2018 | 8PM**

Richard Carsey, *conductor*  
Brody Dolyniuk, *singer*

Experience the magic of Queen, with a full rock band and the North Carolina Symphony. Hits include "Somebody to Love," "Under Pressure," "We Are the Champions," "Bohemian Rhapsody," and many more.



## Joshua Bell

**THUR, SEPT 20, 2018 | 7:30PM**

Grant Llewellyn, *conductor*  
Presenting Sponsor: Elliott Davis

Berlioz: *Le Corsaire Overture*  
Liszt: *Les préludes*  
Rimsky-Korsakov: *Capriccio espagnol*  
Brahms: *Violin Concerto*



## THANKSGIVING EVE

### The Merry Elf!

**WED, NOV 21, 2018 | 3PM**

Wesley Schulz, *conductor*

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A playful elf, sent by Santa, stumbles upon the best place to find holiday cheer—the North Carolina Symphony, of course! Holiday classics include music from *The Grinch* and *Frozen*, plus a reading of *'Twas the Night Before Christmas*.

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### Vienna with a Twist

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North Carolina Jazz Repertory Orchestra

Welcome the New Year with the North Carolina Symphony when we present an evening of unforgettable Viennese waltzes and Big Band classics with the North Carolina Jazz Repertory Orchestra.

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## "Star Wars: A New Hope" in Concert

**FRI/SAT, OCT 5-6, 2018 | 8PM**

**SUN, OCT 7, 2018 | 7PM**

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The iconic 1977 film *Star Wars: A New Hope* plays on the big screen as the Symphony performs the heart-thumping John Williams score live.

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**MON, NOV 26, 2018 | 7:30PM**

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Echoing our music education mission, the North Carolina Symphony has invited exceptional musical artists — pianist Michelle Cann, cellist Zuill Bailey, and composer Caroline Shaw — to share their talents and expertise in a wide range of community offerings during the 2018/19 season. Partnering with these Artist Ambassadors and fellow community organizations, we look forward to presenting meaningful programs and activities for students and lifelong learners. Stay tuned to [ncsymphony.org](http://ncsymphony.org) for event details.

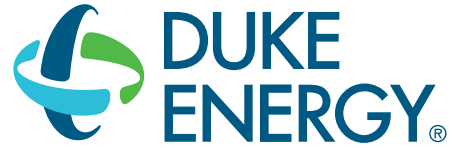
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