



# **CARNEGIE HALL**

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# FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Dear Friends,

It is my great pleasure to share with you Carnegie Hall's 2017–2018 Annual Report. In these pages, you will discover an institution that increasingly extends beyond the walls of our landmark building. We are proudly defined by our heritage but not confined by it. As a cultural beacon, the Hall attracts the world's finest artists and ensembles. As an engine for innovation and education, we harness technology to maximize our reach into the community.

All that we do is built on our defining belief that music has the power to tear down barriers and bring out the very best in all of us. Driven by this common cause, together, we are redefining what a concert hall can and should be today.

Our 2017–2018 season featured an all-star roster of world-renowned artists who represented virtually every genre, taking audiences on journeys to the crossroads of music, culture, and social change. Through Carnegie Hall's Weill Music Institute (WMI), we are nurturing the future of music by enabling musicians of all levels to find their voices and strive to be their best. WMI's national youth ensembles have become shining examples of the power of young talent to shape how we think about music and its ability to connect with people around the world. The Lullaby Project, which works with new and expecting parents to write and sing personal songs for their babies, continues to expand globally through partnerships in Athens, London, and Toronto.

Even as our programs grow and technology broadens our reach, we remain at heart a close-knit community of artists, educators, citizens, philanthropists, arts managers, community leaders, and music lovers. I want to give my personal thanks to Veronica Atkins and to all of our Trustees who have generously supported our 125th Anniversary Campaign: Earle S. Altman, Robert F. Arning / KPMG LLP, Mercedes T. Bass Charitable Corporation, Blavatnik Family Foundation, Nicola Bulgari, Gregory T. Durant / Deloitte LLP, Judith W. Evnin, Stephen R. Howe, Jr. / Ernst & Young LLP, Marina Kellen French / Anna-Maria and Stephen Kellen Foundation, The Kovner Foundation, Lester S. Morse Jr., Charles M. Rosenthal, Suki Sandler, Beatrice Santo Domingo, Dr. Thomas P. Sculco, Tracy Chutorian Semler, Siegel Family Endowment, and Sanford I. Weill / The Weill Family Foundation.

Our work is also made possible by Bank of America, our season sponsor for 13 consecutive years, and Anne M. Finucane, our steward of this partnership. We gratefully acknowledge Breguet as our Exclusive Timepiece, Mastercard as the Official Card of Carnegie Hall, and United Airlines as our official airline since 1997. We express appreciation to our generous Gala leadership throughout the season, as well as the countless supporters of these special celebratory nights that raised essential funds toward Carnegie Hall's artistic and education programs.

Just as Carnegie Hall attracts the world's greatest artists, its aspirational Board of Trustees draws in the world's greatest leaders. Last season, we were proud to welcome new Trustees Sabrina Fung, Michael ByungJu Kim, Charles B. Ortner, Jean E. Salata, Igor Tulchinsky, Roy Weathers, and David S. Winter. In October 2018, we were glad to welcome new Trustees Giancarla Berti and Emily K. Rafferty, both of whom had previously served as Advisory Directors; and elect new Advisory Directors Jane Chu and John Morning.

We thank longtime Trustees Earle S. Altman and William G. Parrett, who stepped off the Board in October, for their years of dedicated service. We also give special thanks to Laura H. Pomerantz, Burton P. Resnick, and S. Donald Sussman for their decades of distinguished service, and congratulate them on their election as Lifetime Honorary Trustees.

My heartfelt appreciation goes to our Board of Trustees and Executive and Artistic Director Clive Gillinson, as well as to our staff, who inspire me with their tireless commitment to all that the Hall is and can be.

Finally, thank you for being our partner as we imagine and create a Carnegie Hall that is so much bigger than what our walls can hold. I look forward to working alongside you to bring the magic of our stage to more people and communities throughout America and across the world.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Smith Chairman of the Board

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# FROM THE EXECUTIVE AND ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

A common thread running throughout the 2017–2018 season was the influential role that music can play in changing the world in which we live. This theme was most notably embodied in our fascinating citywide 1960s festival, inspired by the extraordinary historian Robert Caro, in which we examined the landscape of this turbulent decade through the lens of arts and culture. It was also reflected in our celebration of the music of Richard and Barbara Debs Composer's Chair Philip Glass, an artist whose work has changed the music of our time with his visionary compositions that always dare to go against the established grain.

Philip's season-long residency was one of three extended series curated by internationally acclaimed artists this season, each of which encouraged audience members to explore and discover new musical insights. Two outstanding Perspectives series, one created by pianist Daniil Trifonov and another by violinist Janine Jansen, showcased these artists' remarkable musicianship, curiosity, and virtuosity and demonstrated why both musicians, at relatively young ages, are recognized as artistic leaders of their generation.

Among our musical greats, another artist whose life's work had an immense and constantly developing impact on our cultural sphere was the incomparable conductor, pianist, composer, and educator Leonard Bernstein. The Philadelphia Orchestra, led by Yannick Nézet-Séguin, opened our season in great style, paying festive tribute to this musical giant as part of the worldwide celebration of the 100th anniversary of Bernstein's birth. Carnegie Hall's Bernstein festivities culminated in the spring with a performance of the composer's hilarious and thought-provoking musical *Candide*. It was all part of an incredible lineup of concerts throughout the year—performances by the world's finest artists and ensembles representing almost every musical genre—with each occasion inviting music lovers to listen, engage, explore, and enjoy.

Over the years, Carnegie Hall has grown to become so much more than a world-class concert venue. As the leading destination for those seeking the best in music, the Hall is proud to also be an international leader in music education, the home of exceptional education and social impact programs that seek to inspire students, families, educators, aspiring artists, and people from all walks of life to explore their own musicianship, fulfilling their creative potential. Today, the work of Carnegie Hall's Weill Music Institute (WMI) brings interactive musical experiences to more than half a million people in New York City and around the globe, with programs dedicated to nurturing the finest talent at all levels, making music a meaningful part of everyone's lives. It is exciting to be part of a growing network of artists and organizations committed to this work, and, through these partnerships, we know we can maximize Carnegie Hall's contribution to music worldwide.

On the global stage, among WMI's accomplishments this season was the highly successful international debut of NYO Jazz—the newest in Carnegie Hall's trio of acclaimed national youth ensembles—which offered the best teen jazz players from throughout the US the opportunity to learn from top artists and serve as cultural ambassadors for their country, sharing this uniquely American musical genre with enthusiastic music lovers around the world.

Closer to home, Ensemble Connect—the renowned fellowship program established by Carnegie Hall, The Juilliard School, WMI, and the New York City Department of Education—entered its 11th season, supporting some of the finest young professional musicians in the field who have committed themselves to developing careers that encompass excellence in performance, music education, community engagement, and entrepreneurship, making a difference in the communities in which they work and live.

As we look to the future of Carnegie Hall, we see so much potential for growth in support of our mission. This includes the opportunity to deepen our engagement with people throughout New York City in innovative ways while also, through the power of technology, continuing to expand the circle of music lovers worldwide who are increasingly becoming a central part of our audience. As we press onward, it is important to note that our accomplishments to date would not be possible without the collective energy of everyone in the Hall's extended family—our artists, concertgoers, trustees, supporters, volunteers, partners, and staff. We are grateful for your hard work and commitment to Carnegie Hall and your shared belief in the possibilities ahead, celebrating that the Hall's most exciting years are still to come.

With all best wishes,

Clive Gillinson

**Executive and Artistic Director** 

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# 2017 | 2018 CONCERT SEASON

Artistic luminaries from a wide range of musical genres performed at Carnegie Hall during the 2017-2018 season. The diversity of styles from 17th-century instrumental music to revolutionary free jazz and innovative multimedia works—confirmed Carnegie Hall's role as home to great traditions while also being a launch pad for what is new and daring. >



Two young superstars—violinist Janine Jansen and pianist Daniil Trifonov—reinforced their reputations as breathtaking virtuosos, selfless musical collaborators, and intriguing thinkers by curating individual Perspectives series. Philip Glass, this season's Richard and Barbara Debs Composer's Chair, reaffirmed his place as one of music's visionary composers and was among a host of musicians representing myriad styles who made bold statements in *The '60s: The Years that Changed America*, a citywide Carnegie Hall festival inspired by Robert A. Caro.

Yannick Nézet-Séguin and The Philadelphia Orchestra opened the season performing Bernstein's *On the Waterfront* Symphonic Suite and Symphonic Dances from *West Side Story* as part of a season-long celebration of Bernstein's centenary, and were joined for a special two-piano arrangement of Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue* by jazz legend Chick Corea, virtuoso Lang Lang, and his protégé Maxim Lando. The three pianists interacted—Lang Lang and Lando sharing a keyboard—as if they had been playing together for years in an effervescent performance.

Carnegie Hall has always been home to milestones, and the 2017–2018 season had its share of them. The Orchestra dell'Accademia Nazionale di Santa Cecilia returned after a 50-year absence. In the first of their two concerts, Antonio Pappano made his Carnegie Hall debut conducting music by Verdi, Respighi, and Prokofiev. The Prokofiev work—his Piano Concerto No. 3—featured the incomparable Martha Argerich at the keyboard in her triumphant return to Carnegie Hall after a nine-year absence. The Cleveland Orchestra celebrated its centenary with two concerts conducted by Franz Welser-Möst, while three appearances by the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra honored Zubin Mehta's 50th anniversary as the orchestra's music director. Pianist Maurizio Pollini also celebrated a significant half-century—in April he played a Chopin and Debussy recital that marked the 50th anniversary of his Carnegie Hall debut.

There were many other important Carnegie Hall debuts throughout the season. Kirill Petrenko made his conducting the Bayerisches Staatsorchester and Bayerisches Staatsoper (in their US debut) in two March concerts featuring music of Brahms, Tchaikovsky, and an opera-in-concert performance of Strauss's *Der Rosenkavalier*. The China NCPA Orchestra and conductor Lü Jia performed Chinese classics, including the *Yellow River Concerto* with pianist Haochen Zhang, and Sibelius's Second Symphony. As part of Philip Glass's Debs Composer's Chair residency, two American orchestras were invited for their first-ever

performances at Carnegie Hall. Carlos Miguel Prieto conducted the Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra in works by Glass and Revueltas, while the Pacific Symphony, led by its music director of 28 seasons, Carl St.Clair, performed music remembering Glass's collaborations with Ravi Shankar. Two concerts by The MET Orchestra featured notable podium debuts. Migra Gražinytė-Tyla made her first Carnegie Hall appearance in music by Mussorgsky, Debussy, and Tchaikovsky; and Carnegie Hall veteran Michael Tilson Thomas conducted the orchestra for the first time. On a more intimate scale, Emanuel Ax, Leonidas Kavakos, and Yo-Yo Ma appeared as a trio at Carnegie Hall for the first time.

Leading artists also returned for some extraordinary performances. Mitsuko Uchida launched a four-concert survey of Schubert's piano music, which will be completed in the 2018–2019 season. For two nights, Riccardo Muti and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra electrified in music by Verdi, Brahms, Stravinsky, Britten, Chausson, and New York premieres of works by Jennifer Higdon and Samuel Adams. The Boston Symphony Orchestra and Music Director Andris Nelsons returned for two concerts, concluding their visit with tenor Jonas Kaufmann and soprano Camilla Nylund in the impassioned second act of Wagner's *Tristan und Isolde*.

Another eagerly awaited vocal showcase was The English Concert and conductor Harry Bicket continuing their critically acclaimed series of Handel operas and oratorios with countertenor Iestyn Davies singing the title role in Handel's *Rinaldo*.

Stars of pop, world music, gospel, and jazz gave superb performances. Rosanne Cash curated two double-bill concerts that showcased American roots music: the first with singers Sara Watkins and Parker Milsap, and the second focusing on blues, gospel, and soul traditions with singer Ruthie Foster and the North Mississippi Allstars. The audience had its turn to raise its voice with Leela James, BeBe Winans, and special guests when Ray Chew led them in Sing Along: The Music of Stevie Wonder; and there were exuberant nights of popular classics, featuring Steven Reineke conducting The New York Pops and song favorites with Michael Feinstein. Spanning the musical globe, Amjad Ali Khan returned to Carnegie Hall after a decade-long absence to perform Indian gharana music; Greek vocalist Maria Farantouri performed songs by Mikis Theodorakis; and many other artists took Carnegie Hall audiences on journeys to faraway lands without leaving New York.

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# SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

Sunday, September 24 at 12 PM | Resnick FALL FAMILY DAY

Wednesday, October 4 at 7 PM | Stern/Perelman THE PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA

Yannick Nézet-Séguin, Music Director and Conductor Lang Lang, Piano Chick Corea, Piano with Maxim Lando, Piano

Friday, October 6 at 7:30 PM | Zankel L'ARPEGGIATA

Christina Pluhar, Artistic Director and Theorbo Céline Scheen, Soprano Giuseppina Bridelli, Mezzo-Soprano

Saturday, October 7 at 7:30 PM | Zankel L'ARPEGGIATA

Christina Pluhar, Artistic Director and Theorbo Céline Scheen, Soprano Giuseppina Bridelli, Mezzo-Soprano Vincenzo Capezzuto, Alto

Thursday, October 12 at 7:30 PM | Zankel
TAKÁCS QUARTET
Erika Eckert, Viola

Thursday, October 12 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman ORCHESTRA OF ST. LUKE'S

Pablo Heras-Casado, Conductor Laureate
Camilla Tilling, Soprano
Susanna Phillips, Soprano
Thomas Cooley, Tenor
Michael Sumuel, Bass-Baritone
Westminster Symphonic Choir
Joe Miller, Conductor

Friday, October 13 at 7 PM | Stern/Perelman SPHINX VIRTUOSI

Friday, October 13 at 7:30 PM | Weill RUBY HUGHES, SOPRANO JULIUS DRAKE, PIANO

Saturday, October 14 at 2 PM | Stern/Perelman
CARNEGIE HALL FAMILY CONCERT
PETER AND THE WOLF
AND OTHER STORIES

Orchestra of St. Luke's Edwin Outwater, Conductor John Lithgow, Narrator

Saturday, October 14 at 7:30 PM | Zankel
TAKÁCS QUARTET
Erika Eckert, Viola
David Requiro, Cello





Sunday, October 15 at 3 PM | Zankel THOMAS ADÈS AND FRIENDS

Sally Matthews, Soprano Iestyn Davies, Countertenor Joseph Kaiser, Tenor Thomas Adès, Piano

Tuesday, October 17 at 7:30 PM | Zankel ALISA WEILERSTEIN, CELLO INON BARNATAN, PIANO

Friday, October 20 at 7:30 PM | Weill BORROMEO STRING QUARTET Dov Scheindlin, Viola

Friday, October 20 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman ORCHESTRA DELL'ACCADEMIA NAZIONALE DI SANTA CECILIA Sir Antonio Pappano, Music Director and Conductor Martha Argerich, Piano

Saturday, October 21 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman ORCHESTRA DELL'ACCADEMIA NAZIONALE DI SANTA CECILIA Sir Antonio Pappano, Music Director and Conductor Barbara Hannigan, Soprano

Monday, October 23 at 7:30 PM | Weill ENSEMBLE CONNECT

Monday, October 23 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman RENÉE FLEMING, SOPRANO INON BARNATAN, PIANO

Wednesday, October 25 at 7:30 PM | Zankel STANDARD TIME WITH MICHAEL FEINSTEIN Michael Feinstein, Artistic Director

with Special Guests Ali McGregor The Honey Taps

Friday, October 27 at 7:30 PM | Weill GEORGE LI, PIANO

Friday, October 27 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman THE NEW YORK POPS

**Steven Reineke**, Music Director and Conductor **Matt Doyle** and **Ali Ewoldt**, Guest Artists

Friday, October 27 at 10 PM | Zankel AN INTIMATE EVENING WITH RICKIE LEE JONES

Saturday, October 28 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman DANIIL TRIFONOV, PIANO

Monday, October 30 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
CHINA NCPA ORCHESTRA
Lü Jia, Music Director and Conductor

Lü Jia, Music Director and Conductor Haochen Zhang, Piano

# NOVEMBER

Wednesday, November 1 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman MARC-ANDRÉ HAMELIN. PIANO

Thursday, November 2 at 7:30 PM | Zankel **ENSEMBLE SIGNAL** 

Brad Lubman, Conductor with Special Guest Steve Reich

Friday, November 3 at 9 PM | Zankel CATHERINE RUSSELL

Matt Munisteri, Music Director and Guitar Mark Shane, Piano Tal Ronen, Bass Mark McLean, Drums

Saturday, November 4 at 8:30 PM | Zankel AMJAD ALI KHAN, SAROD

Anubrata Chatterjee, Tabla Nilan Chaudhuri, Tabla

Tuesday, November 7 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman

ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Zubin Mehta, Music Director and Conductor Yefim Bronfman, Piano

Wednesday, November 8 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman

ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Zubin Mehta, Music Director and Conductor Mihoko Fujimura, Mezzo-Soprano **MasterVoices** 

Ted Sperling, Artistic Director **Manhattan Girls Chorus** 

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Thursday, November 9 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Zubin Mehta, Music Director and Conductor Gil Shaham, Violin

# The Children's I

Friday, November 10 at 7:30 PM | Weill MODIGLIANI QUARTET

Monday, November 13 at 7:30 PM | Stern/Perelman THE CHILDREN'S MONOLOGUES

Jason Alexander

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Jessica Chastain

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**Andrew Garfield** 

**Anne Hathaway** 

Daniel Kaluuya

Gugu Mbatha-Raw

James McAvoy

Audra McDonald

Sienna Miller Javier Muñoz

Trevor Noah

Susan Sarandon

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Tuesday, November 14 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman MARIINSKY ORCHESTRA

Valery Gergiev, Music Director and Conductor Denis Matsuev, Piano

Wednesday, November 15 at 7 PM | Stern/Perelman

MARIINSKY ORCHESTRA

Valery Gergiev, Music Director and Conductor Daniil Trifonov, Piano

Wednesday, November 15 at 7:30 PM | Zankel PAUL LEWIS, PIANO

Thursday, November 16 at 7:30 PM | Zankel TETZLAFF QUARTET

Friday, November 17 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman

THE NEW YORK POPS

Steven Reineke, Music Director and Conductor Adam Kantor and Betsy Wolfe, Guest Artists

with Special Guests

Sara Bareilles

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# DECEMBER

Friday, December 1 at 7:30 PM | Weill ALEXI KENNEY, VIOLIN RENANA GUTMAN, PIANO

Saturday, December 2 at 9 PM | Zankel PARKER MILLSAP SARA WATKINS Rosanne Cash, Creative Partner

Tuesday, December 5 at 7:30 PM | Weill ENSEMBLE CONNECT

Thursday, December 7 at 7:30 PM | Zankel JANINE JANSEN AND FRIENDS

Janine Jansen, Violin Lucas Debargue, Piano Martin Fröst, Clarinet Torleif Thedéen, Cello

Thursday, December 7 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman ORCHESTRA OF ST. LUKE'S

**Bernard Labadie**, Principal Conductor Designate **Augustin Hadelich**, Violin

Friday, December 8 at 7:30 PM | Weill ANDREI BONDARENKO, BARITONE GARY MATTHEWMAN, PIANO

Friday, December 8 at 7:30 PM | Zankel
AMERICAN COMPOSERS ORCHESTRA

**George Manahan**, Music Director and Conductor **Tim Fain**, Violin

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Friday, December 8 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
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Yannick Nézet-Séguin, Music Director and Conductor Hilary Hahn, Violin

Saturday, December 9 at 7:30 PM | Zankel JANINE JANSEN AND FRIENDS

Janine Jansen, Violin Alexander Gavrylyuk, Piano Torleif Thedéen, Cello Wednesday, December 13 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman

# SING ALONG: THE MUSIC OF STEVIE WONDER

Leela James
BeBe Winans
Ray Chew, Music Director
with Special Guests
Paul Shaffer
Matthew Whitaker
The String Queens

Friday, December 15 at 8 PM Saturday, December 16 at 8 PM Stern/Perelman

# THE NEW YORK POPS

Steven Reineke, Music Director and Conductor Megan Hilty, Guest Artist Essential Voices USA Judith Clurman, Music Director and Conductor

# Saturday, December 16 at 12 PM and 3 PM | Zankel CARNEGIE HALL FAMILY CONCERT MY CITY. MY SONG

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Vitor Gonçalves, Accordion and Vocals
Peter Hess, Clarinet and Vocals
Christopher Tordini, Bass and Vocals
Richie Barshay, Percussion
Imani Uzuri, Vocals and Tambourine
Charlie Burnham, Violin and Vocals
Marvin Sewell, Guitar
Emeline Michel, Vocals
Yayoi Ikawa, Piano
Calvin Jones, Bass
Jean Guy Rene, Tanbou, Congas, and Vocals

Carol Hodge, Percussion and Vocals

Monday, December 18 at 7:30 PM | Zankel

JAMIE BARTON, MEZZO-SOPRANO

KATHLEEN KELLY, PIANO

Sunday, December 24 at 7 PM | Stern/Perelman
NEW YORK STRING ORCHESTRA
Jaime Laredo, Conductor, Violin, and Viola
Pamela Frank, Violin

Thursday, December 28 at 8 PM  $\mid$  Stern/Perelman NEW YORK STRING ORCHESTRA

Jaime Laredo, Conductor Richard Goode, Piano



Violinist Janine Jansen, a charismatic performer of tremendous versatility and virtuosity, placed a special focus on chamber music and concertos with top orchestras during her five-concert Perspectives series. A superb chamber musician, she opened her Perspectives by partnering with esteemed friends with whom she regularly performed during her artistic directorship of the International Chamber Music Festival Utrecht. Her first concert offered music by Bartók, Szymanowski, and Messiaen, including the French composer's ethereal Quartet for the End of Time; while the second showcased Russian music. In January, she performed two concerts. For the first, she played Bruch's Violin Concerto No. 1 with the Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra. In the second, she performed with pianist Jean-Yves Thibaudet—in sonatas by Debussy and Grieg—and then was joined by Thibaudet and the Dover Quartet for Chausson's rarely heard Concert for Violin, Piano, and String Quartet. Jansen concluded her Perspectives in March with The Philadelphia Orchestra conducted by Yannick Nézet-Séguin in the New York premiere of the Violin Concerto—a work written for her—by Michel van der Aa. She also coached young artists in a day of chamber music hosted by the Weill Music Institute.

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# JANUARY

Thursday, January 11 at 7:30 PM | Zankel ROOMFUL OF TEETH

Brad Wells, Artistic Director Tigran Hamasyan, Piano

Wednesday, January 17 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman ROYAL CONCERTGEBOUW ORCHESTRA

Daniele Gatti, Chief Conductor

Thursday, January 18 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman ROYAL CONCERTGEBOUW ORCHESTRA

**Daniele Gatti**, Chief Conductor **Janine Jansen**, Violin

Friday, January 19 at 7 PM | Stern/Perelman DENIS MATSUEV, PIANO

Friday, January 19 at 7:30 PM | Weill ROBERT MEALY AND FRIENDS

Robert Mealy, Violin Beiliang Zhu, Viola da Gamba Avi Stein, Organ and Harpsichord Charles Weaver, Theorbo and Guitar Friday, January 19 at 9 PM | Zankel KRONOS QUARTET

Part of The '60s: The Years that Changed America.

Saturday, January 20 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman JONAS KAUFMANN, TENOR HELMUT DEUTSCH, PIANO

Sunday, January 21 at 2 PM | Stern/Perelman
JANINE JANSEN, VIOLIN
JEAN-YVES THIBAUDET, PIANO
Dover Quartet

Tuesday, January 23 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
THE CLEVELAND ORCHESTRA
Franz Welser-Möst, Music Director and Conductor

Wednesday, January 24 at 7:30 PM | Resnick
THE SONG CONTINUES:
MARILYN HORNE MASTER CLASS

Katerina Burton, Soprano
Lynnesha Crump, Soprano
John Chong Yoon Noh, Tenor
Carlos Cárdenas, Tenor
Christina Giuca, Piano
Richard Jeric, Piano
Andrew King, Piano
Cameron Richardson-Eames, Piano





Wednesday, January 24 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman

# THE CLEVELAND ORCHESTRA

Franz Welser-Möst, Music Director and Conductor Golda Schultz, Soprano Maximilian Schmitt, Tenor Christian Van Horn, Bass-Baritone The Cleveland Orchestra Chorus Lisa Wong, Acting Director

Thursday, January 25 at 7:30 PM | Resnick

# THE SONG CONTINUES: GRAHAM JOHNSON MASTER CLASS

Hannah Rose Kidwell, Soprano
Devony Smith, Soprano
Veronika Anissimova, Mezzo-Soprano
Siena Licht Miller, Mezzo-Soprano
Christina Giuca, Piano
Richard Jeric, Piano
Andrew King, Piano
Cameron Richardson-Eames, Piano

Thursday, January 25 at 8 PM  $\mid$  Stern/Perelman

# SNARKY PUPPY

with

David Crosby Fatoumata Diawara Laura Mvula Chris Thile

Part of The '60s: The Years that Changed America.

Friday, January 26 at 7:30 PM | Resnick

# THE SONG CONTINUES: RENÉE FLEMING MASTER CLASS

Brea Marshall, Soprano
Isabella Moore, Soprano
Boya Wei, Soprano
Lindsay Mecher, Mezzo-Soprano
Christina Giuca, Piano
Richard Jeric, Piano
Andrew King, Piano
Cameron Richardson-Eames, Piano

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AND VOCALS

Saturday, January 27 at 9 PM | Zankel

Newman Taylor Baker, Drums

MARILYN HORNE SONG CELEBRATION

Beste Kalender, Mezzo-Soprano

Isabel Leonard, Mezzo-Soprano

Leonardo Capalbo, Tenor

Russell Thomas, Tenor

Lester Lynch, Baritone

Edward Parks, Baritone

Warren Jones, Piano

STEPHEN HOUGH, PIANO

# FEBRUARY

Friday, February 2 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman

THE NEW YORK POPS

Steven Reineke, Music Director and Conductor James Monroe Iglehart and Capathia Jenkins, Guest Artists

Saturday, February 3 at 9 PM | Zankel

**RUTHIE FOSTER** 

NORTH MISSISSIPPI ALLSTARS

Rosanne Cash, Creative Partner

Monday, February 5 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman

SOUNDS OF CHANGE

**Anthony Hamilton** The Hamiltones

**Christian McBride** 

Naturally 7

Phylicia Rashad

Otis Redding III

Vernon Reid

Sonia Sanchez

Cantor Azi Schwartz

Valerie Simpson

Dionne Warwick

Ray Chew, Music Director

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Tuesday, February 6 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman MATTHIAS GOERNE, BARITONE

DANIIL TRIFONOV. PIANO

Wednesday, February 7 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman

JOSHUA BELL. VIOLIN

JEREMY DENK, PIANO

Thursday, February 8 at 7:30 PM | Zankel

NICO MUHLY AND FRIENDS INVESTIGATE THE GLASS ARCHIVE

Nico Muhly, Piano

Estelí Gomez, Soprano

Caroline Shaw, Vocals and Violin

Laurie Anderson, Vocals

Nadia Sirota, Viola

Alex Sopp, Flute

Lisa Kaplan, Piano

Chris Thompson, Percussion

Friday, February 9 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Riccardo Muti, Music Director and Conductor

Clémentine Margaine, Mezzo-Soprano

Jay Friedman, Trombone

Michael Mulcahy, Trombone

Charles Vernon, Bass Trombone

Gene Pokorny, Tuba

Saturday, February 10 at 7:30 PM | Stern/Perelman CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Riccardo Muti, Music Director and Conductor

Saturday, February 10 at 10 PM | Zankel MÚM

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Tuesday, February 13 at 7:30 PM | Zankel

DOROTHEA RÖSCHMANN, SOPRANO MALCOLM MARTINEAU, PIANO



Friday, January 26 at 8:30 PM | Zankel PAOLO ANGELI. GUITAR

MATTHEW SHIPP TRIO

Michael Bisio, Bass

Matthew Shipp, Piano

ROSCOE MITCHELL, SAXOPHONE

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Sunday, January 28 at 3 PM | Zankel

Nicole Cabell, Soprano

Susanna Phillips, Soprano

Martin Katz, Piano

Tuesday, January 30 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman



Carnegie Hall honored iconic composer Philip Glass, who also celebrated his 80th birthday year, as the 2017-2018 Richard and Barbara Debs Composer's Chair. In December, violinist Tim Fain performed Glass's Violin Concerto No. 2, "The American Four Seasons," with the American Composers Orchestra. Glass's lesser-known music was reimagined in world premiere arrangements by composer-pianist Nico Muhly and a community of his musical friends in a February concert. In that same month, the Philip Glass Ensemble returned to Carnegie Hallafter a long absence—to perform his groundbreaking Music with Changing Parts. As part of his residency, Glass wanted American orchestras to submit engaging programs that included his music. Two orchestras that have displayed a longtime affinity for his music did. The Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra gave rousing performances of his Days and Nights in Rocinha, Concerto Fantasy for Two Timpanists and Orchestra, and music by Mexican composer Silvestre Revueltas. In April, the Pacific Symphony had its turn with a program that recalled Glass's collaborations with sitar master Ravi Shankar, including "Meetings Along the Edge" from Passages (based on a Shankar theme), with Anoushka Shankar as soloist, and the New York premiere of the complete version of *The Passion of Ramakrishna*. There was also the US premiere of his String Quartet No. 8, a work co-commissioned by Carnegie Hall and performed by the JACK Quartet.

Wednesday, February 14 at 7:30 PM | Zankel STANDARD TIME WITH MICHAEL FEINSTEIN

Michael Feinstein, Artistic Director
with Special Guests
Karen Ziemba
Heather Gehring and Lou Brockman

Thursday, February 15 at 7:30 PM | Zankel ALEXANDRE THARAUD, PIANO

Thursday, February 15 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman ORCHESTRA OF ST. LUKE'S

Robert Spano, Conductor Kelley O'Connor, Mezzo-Soprano Jeremy Denk, Piano

Friday, February 16 at 7:30 PM | Weill APOLLON MUSAGÈTE QUARTET

Friday, February 16 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman PHILIP GLASS ENSEMBLE:

MUSIC WITH CHANGING PARTS

Philip Glass and the Philip Glass Ensemble
Michael Riesman, Conductor
San Francisco Girls Chorus
Valérie Sainte-Agathe, Conductor
Students from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music
Part of The '60s: The Years that Changed America.

Monday, February 19 at 7:30 PM | Weill ENSEMBLE CONNECT

Thursday, February 22 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman EMANUEL AX, PIANO LEONIDAS KAVAKOS, VIOLIN YO-YO MA, CELLO

Friday, February 23 at 7:30 PM | Weill YING FANG, SOPRANO KEN NODA, PIANO

Friday, February 23 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
VIENNA PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
Gustavo Dudamel, Conductor

Saturday, February 24 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
VIENNA PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
Gustavo Dudamel, Conductor

Sunday, February 25 at 2 PM | Stern/Perelman
VIENNA PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
Gustavo Dudamel, Conductor

Monday, February 26 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman MITSUKO UCHIDA, PIANO

Tuesday, February 27 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman LOUISIANA PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Carlos Miguel Prieto, Music Director and Principal Conductor Jim Atwood, Timpani Paul Yancich, Timpani

Wednesday, February 28 at 7:30 PM | Weill NICOLAS ALTSTAEDT, CELLO FAZIL SAY, PIANO

Wednesday, February 28 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman PIOTR BECZAŁA, TENOR MARTIN KATZ, PIANO



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For the first time, Carnegie Hall turned to a figure outside the music world-Pulitzer Prizewinning writer and historian Robert A. Caro-for inspiration in creating a citywide festival. *The* '60s: The Years that Changed America was one of Carnegie Hall's largest festivals, running 10 weeks, featuring more than 35 partner organizations, and presenting more than 50 concerts, films, panel discussions, and exhibitions in New York City. The festival recalled the turbulent decade and the issues that defined it: the struggle for social justice, fight for civil rights, resistance to the war in Vietnam, the empowerment of a younger generation, and the rise of a radical new aesthetic.

The Kronos Quartet opened the festival at Carnegie Hall with a program that celebrated American mavericks Terry Riley, John Cage, and Janis Joplin, as well as world premieres of works by Stacy Garrop and Zachary Watkins. There were other groundbreakers celebrated throughout the festival. The Matthew Shipp Trio and saxophonist Roscoe Mitchell paid tribute to the seismic shift that shook the world of jazz in a concert devoted to *The Free Jazz Movement*; Icelandic group múm's pop experimentalism put a contemporary stamp on '60s era psychedelia;

and the Philip Glass Ensemble returned to Carnegie Hall after more than a decade to perform the composer's early masterpiece Music with Changing Parts.

Eclectic band Snarky Puppy was joined by '60s icon David Crosby, vocalists Fatoumata Diawara and Laura Mvula, and mandolinist Chris Thile in a lively evening of protest music from and inspired by the '60s. The rebellious spirit also rang out in Sounds of Change, a multimedia concert of folk songs, R&B classics, and popular hits of the period; A Time Like This: Music for Change, a stirring program performed by young performers from the Weill Music Institute and award-winning Broadway, blues, hip-hop, and Americana stars showcasing music's power to bring people together to fight for change; and singer-songwriter Bhi Bhiman's soulful popfolk songs that combined the personal and the political. Politics, protest, and passion were also at the core of *The Vietnam War: At Home and* Abroad, historian John Monsky's multimedia show that used live performances of pop and folk music from the 1960s coupled with photographs and film footage to capture the intense emotions surrounding the war. A performance by the Friction Quartet of George Crumb's amplified string quartet Black Angels, a searing response to the conflict, opened the program.

# MARCH

Thursday, March 1 at 7:30 PM | Zankel DANIIL TRIFONOV. PIANO SERGEI BABAYAN, PIANO

Friday, March 2 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman MITSUKO UCHIDA, PIANO

Sunday, March 4 at 2 PM | Stern/Perelman ANNE-SOPHIE MUTTER. VIOLIN LAMBERT ORKIS, PIANO

Tuesday, March 6 at 7 PM | Zankel SŌ PERCUSSION JACK QUARTET

Thursday, March 8 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman PIERRE-LAURENT AIMARD, PIANO

Friday, March 9 at 7:30 PM | Weill **ELIAS STRING QUARTET** 

Friday, March 9 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman THE NEW YORK POPS Steven Reineke, Music Director and Conductor Saturday, March 10 at 8 PM | Zankel BHI BHIMAN, LEAD VOCALS AND RHYTHM GUITAR

Damien Verrett, Lead Guitar and Keyboards Akie Bermiss, Keyboards Oscar Westesson, Bass Attis Clopton, Drums Part of The '60s: The Years that Changed America.

Sunday, March 11 at 3 PM | Stern/Perelman

# A TIME LIKE THIS: MUSIC FOR CHANGE

Lemon Andersen, Poet and Emcee Rhiannon Giddens, Vocals Toshi Reagon, Vocals Young Paris. Vocals Carrie Compere, Vocals Ro James, Vocals Sarah Elizabeth Charles, Vocals Emily Eagen, Vocals Emeline Michel, Vocals Roya Marsh, Poet

Kenny Seymour, Music Supervisor, Director, and Arranger with Special Guests

Noga Cabo, Songwriter and Vocals Hannah Coleman, Songwriter and Vocals Robert Pollock, Songwriter and Vocals Emma Thompson-Haye, Songwriter and Vocals Part of The '60s: The Years that Changed America.



# Tuesday, March 13 at 7:30 PM | Zankel QUATUOR EBÈNE

Tuesday, March 13 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
THE PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA
Yannick Nézet-Séguin, Music Director and Conductor

Friday, March 16 at 7:30 PM | Zankel ALARM WILL SOUND

Janine Jansen, Violin

Alan Pierson, Artistic Director, Conductor, and Co-Host Nadia Sirota, Viola and Co-Host John Orfe, Piano Steven Beck, Harpsichord

Saturday, March 17 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman

ANDALUSIAN VOICES:

CARMEN LINARES, MARINA HEREDIA,

AND ARCÁNGEL

Miguel Ángel Cortés, Guitar José Quevedo "Bolita," Guitar Paquito González, Percussion Ana Morales, Dancer Isidro Muñoz, Music Director Wednesday, March 21 at 7:30 PM | Zankel STANDARD TIME WITH MICHAEL FEINSTEIN

Michael Feinstein, Artistic Director with Special Guests Corey Cott Nick Ziobro

Thursday, March 22 at 7:30 PM | Zankel APOLLO'S FIRE

**Jeannette Sorrell**, Artistic Director, Conductor, and Harpsichord

Thursday, March 22 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman ITZHAK PERLMAN, VIOLIN PINCHAS ZUKERMAN, VIOLIN AND VIOLA ROHAN DE SILVA, PIANO

Friday, March 23 at 7:30 PM | Weill MICHAIL LIFITS, PIANO



Saturday, March 24 at 2 PM | Zankel

# THE VIETNAM WAR: AT HOME AND ABROAD

**Friction Quartet** 

John Monsky, Creator and Speaker
Shonica Gooden, Crystal Kellogg, Kelvin Moon Loh, and Justin Sargent, Vocalists
Peter Flynn, Director
Richard Danley, Music Director
Kay Matschullat, Co-Producer
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Sunday, March 25 at 2 PM | Stern/Perelman
THE ENGLISH CONCERT

Harry Bicket, Artistic Director and Conductor Iestyn Davies, Countertenor Jane Archibald, Soprano Joélle Harvey, Soprano Luca Pisaroni, Bass-Baritone Sasha Cooke, Mezzo-Soprano Wednesday, March 28 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
BAYERISCHES STAATSORCHESTER

Kirill Petrenko, Music Director and Conductor Julia Fischer, Violin Daniel Müller-Schott, Cello

Thursday, March 29 at 7 PM | Stern/Perelman BAYERISCHE STAATSOPER

Kirill Petrenko, Music Director and Conductor
Adrianne Pieczonka, Soprano
Angela Brower, Mezzo-Soprano
Hanna-Elisabeth Müller, Soprano
Peter Rose, Bass
Markus Eiche, Baritone
Lawrence Brownlee, Tenor
Choir of the Bayerische Staatsoper
Sören Eckhoff, Chorus Master
Bayerisches Staatsorchester



Heredia by Richard Termine: Petrenko by Chris Lee.

# **APRIL**

Tuesday, April 3 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman SIR ANDRÁS SCHIFF, PIANO

Thursday, April 5 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman SIR ANDRÁS SCHIFF, PIANO

Friday, April 6 at 7:30 PM | Zankel AMERICAN COMPOSERS ORCHESTRA

**George Manahan**, Music Director and Conductor **Elena Urioste**, Violin **Ethan Iverson**, Piano

Sunday, April 8 at 12 PM | Resnick SPRING FAMILY DAY

Tuesday, April 10 at 7:30 PM | Zankel ARTEMIS QUARTET

Tuesday, April 10 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
THE PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA

Yannick Nézet-Séguin, Music Director and Conductor
Westminster Symphonic Choir
Joe Miller, Director
Keystone State Boychoir
Pennsylvania Girlchoir
Steven M. Fisher, Artistic Director
Sister Cities Girlchoir

Wednesday, April 11 at 7:30 PM | Weill ROBIN BLAZE, COUNTERTENOR ELIZABETH KENNY, LUTE

Simon Jones, Actor

Alysia Lee, Artistic Director

Wednesday, April 11 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
BOSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Andris Nelsons, Music Director and Conductor Jean-Yves Thibaudet, Piano

Thursday, April 12 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
BOSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Andris Nelsons, Music Director and Conductor Jonas Kaufmann, Tenor Camilla Nylund, Soprano Mihoko Fujimura, Mezzo-Soprano Georg Zeppenfeld, Bass Andrew Rees, Tenor David Kravitz, Baritone

Friday, April 13 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
BOSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Andris Nelsons, Music Director and Conductor Steven Ansell, Viola Yo-Yo Ma, Cello

Saturday, April 14 at 8:30 PM | Zankel
OMAR FARUK TEKBILEK, NEY, VOCALS,
BAGLAMA, ZURNA, AND PERCUSSION

Hasan Isakkut, Kanun and Violin
Itamar Erez, Acoustic Guitar and Piano
River Guerguerian, Drums and Percussion
Murat Tekbilek, Percussion
with Special Guests
Brian Keane, Guitar

Ara Dinkjian, Oud

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Wednesday, April 18 at 7 PM | Stern/Perelman

CANDIDE

Starring

**Paul Appleby** 

Erin Morley

Patricia Racette William Burden

and

John Lithgow

with

Ryan Silverman

Bryonha Marie Parham

Orchestra of St. Luke's

**Mansfield University Concert Choir** 

Rob Fisher, Musical Director and Conductor

Gary Griffin, Director

 ${\bf Joshua\ Bergasse}, Choreographer$ 

Scott Lehrer, Sound Designer

Tracy Christensen, Costume Designer

Alan Adelman, Lighting Designer

Wendall K. Harrington, Projections Designer

Casting by Telsey + Company / Rachel Hoffman, CSA

Thursday, April 19 at 7:30 PM | Zankel ANDREI IONIȚĂ, CELLO NAOKO SONODA, PIANO

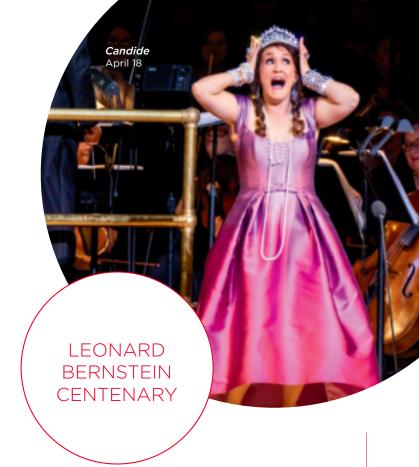
Thursday, April 19 at 7:30 PM | Weill ENSEMBLE CONNECT

Friday, April 20 at 7:30 PM | Weill JULIA BULLOCK, SOPRANO JOHN ARIDA, PIANO

Saturday, April 21 at 4 PM Sunday, April 22 at 4 PM Monday, April 23 at 4 PM Resnick

#### JOYCE DIDONATO MASTER CLASS

Francesca Chiejina, Soprano
Ané Pretorius, Mezzo-Soprano
Jose Simerilla Romero, Tenor
Germán Enrique Alcántara, Baritone
Justina Lee, Piano
Shannon McGinnis, Piano



The worldwide celebration of the Leonard Bernstein centenary by arts institutions was a major yearlong event that encompassed performances, talks, exhibitions, and more. At Carnegie Hall, the master's works appeared on a number of programs. The Philadelphia Orchestra conducted by Yannick Nézet-Séguin featured Bernstein's music on three of its programs, including opening the season with the On the Waterfront Symphonic Suite and Symphonic Dances from West Side Story, returning in December with Hilary Hahn as soloist in the Serenade (after Plato's Symposium) and in April with the Chichester Psalms. That same month, Jean-Yves Thibaudet and the Boston Symphony Orchestra conducted by Andris Nelsons performed Bernstein's Symphony No. 2, "The Age of Anxiety." A star-studded performance of Candide brought the festivities to a close. Paul Appleby, Erin Morley, and John Lithgow—with special appearances by Danny Burstein, Len Cariou, and Marilyn Horne—romped in a joyous performance that was enhanced by charming visual effects.



The youngest Perspectives artist to date, pianist Daniil Trifonov displayed his insatiable musical curiosity with a seven-concert series that showcased his talents as a magnificent solo artist, champion of the concerto repertoire, generous collaborator in chamber music and song, and daring composer. He opened his series with a recital focusing on Chopin and music the Polish master inspired. In November, he displayed his skill as both composer and performer in the New York premiere of his Piano Concerto with the Mariinsky Orchestra conducted by Valery Gergiev. Creative collaborations were hallmarks of his Perspectives. In February, he partnered with baritone Matthias Goerne in an intense recital of songs by Schumann, Brahms, Wolf, and Shostakovich; while in March, he teamed with his mentor Sergei Babayan in a program of two-piano music by Mozart, Rachmaninoff, and others. April saw Trifonov and the Kremerata Baltica perform back-to-back Chopin programs, including a concert in which the pianist was joined by Gautier Capuçon in the Cello Sonata. In a unique May recital, which concluded the series. Trifonov performed a seminal work from each decade of the 20th century.

Saturday, April 21 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman
PACIFIC SYMPHONY

Carl St.Clair, Music Director and Conductor

Anoushka Shankar, Sitar

Elissa Johnston, Soprano

Christòpheren Nomura, Baritone

Donovan Singletary, Bass-Baritone

I-Chin Lee, Alto

Nicholas Preston, Tenor

Pacific Chorale

Robert Istad, Artistic Director

Tuesday, April 24 at 7:30 PM | Zankel

LAWRENCE BROWNLEE, MYRA HUANG, TYSHAWN SOREY, AND FRIENDS

Lawrence Brownlee. Tenor

Myra Huang, Piano

Randall Goosby, Violin

Khari Joyner, Cello

Alexander Laing, Clarinet

Kevin Miller, Piano

Tyshawn Sorey, Conductor

Wednesday, April 25 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman DANIIL TRIFONOV, PIANO

KREMERATA BALTICA

with

Gidon Kremer, Violin

Giedrė Dirvanauskaitė, Cello

**Thursday, April 26 at 8 PM** | Stern/Perelman

DANIIL TRIFONOV, PIANO GAUTIER CAPUÇON, CELLO KREMERATA BALTICA

Friday, April 27 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman EVGENY KISSIN, PIANO

**EMERSON STRING QUARTET** 

Saturday, April 28 at 9 PM | Zankel
JOHN PATITUCCI ELECTRIC GUITA

JOHN PATITUCCI ELECTRIC GUITAR QUARTET

John Patitucci, Electric Bass Brian Blade, Drums Adam Rogers, Guitar Steve Cardenas, Guitar

Sunday, April 29 at 2 PM | Stern/Perelman MAURIZIO POLLINI, PIANO





# MAY

Tuesday, May 1 at 7:30 PM | Weill MAHAN ESFAHANI, HARPSICHORD

Thursday, May 3 at 7:30 PM | Zankel

LAUREATES OF THE SPHINX COMPETITION

Elena Urioste, Violin Gabriel Cabezas, Cello Xavier Foley, Bass Tom Poster, Piano

Friday, May 4 at 7:30 PM | Zankel DANIIL TRIFONOV, PIANO

Friday, May 4 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman BAVARIAN RADIO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Mariss Jansons, Chief Conductor Frank Peter Zimmermann, Violin

Saturday, May 5 at 7:30 PM | Zankel LES VIOLONS DU ROY

Bernard Labadie, Founding Conductor Isabelle Faust, Violin

Saturday, May 5 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman

BAVARIAN RADIO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Mariss Jansons, Chief Conductor

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# Thursday, May 10 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman **EMANUEL AX, PIANO**

Saturday, May 12 at 12 PM and 3 PM | Zankel CARNEGIE HALL FAMILY CONCERT MY CITY, MY SONG

Sid Solomon, Host

Sofía Rei, Vocals, Charango, Caja Vidalera, and Bombo Sofia Tosello, Vocals Eric Kurimski, Guitar Jorge Roeder, Bass Tupac Mantilla, Percussion

Martha Redbone, Vocals and Hand Percussion Soni Moreno, Vocals and Hand Percussion Charlie Burnham, Violin and Vocals Aaron Whitby, Piano

Sbongiseni Duma, Vocals and Percussion Tshidi Manye, Vocals Horace "Junior" Wedderburn, Percussion Wendyam "JJ" Roamba, Bass Mduduzi Madela, Guitar

# Saturday, May 12 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman MARIA FARANTOURI

Achilleas Wastor, Music Director and Piano David Lynch, Saxophone and Flute Heracles Zakkas, Bouzouki and Mandolin Alexandros Botinis, Cello Petros Klampanis, Bass Christos Rafalides, Vibraphone Engin Kaan Gunaydin, Percussion Archdiocesan Cathedral of the Holy Trinity Choir Evey Simon, Director

Thursday, May 17 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman YUJA WANG, PIANO

Friday, May 18 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman THE MET ORCHESTRA

Mirga Gražinytė-Tyla, Conductor Anita Rachvelishvili, Mezzo-Soprano

Sunday, May 20 at 2 PM | Stern/Perelman **EVGENY KISSIN, PIANO** 

Wednesday, May 30 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman THE MET ORCHESTRA Gianandrea Noseda, Conductor



# JUNE/JULY

Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman THE MET ORCHESTRA

Michael Tilson Thomas, Conductor Pretty Yende, Soprano

Thursday, July 19 at 7:30 PM | Stern/Perelman NATIONAL YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Michael Tilson Thomas, Conductor Jean-Yves Thibaudet, Piano

Tuesday, July 24 at 7:30 PM | Stern/Perelman NYO2

Carlos Miguel Prieto, Conductor Gil Shaham, Violin Fellows of the New World Symphony, America's Orchestral Academy

Friday, July 27 at 8 PM | Stern/Perelman NYO JAZZ

Sean Jones, Bandleader and Trumpet with Special Guests Dianne Reeves, Vocals Wycliffe Gordon, Trombone





Now in its third year, Carnegie Hall's 125 Commissions Project honors the present and looks to the future. By its completion in 2020, the five-year project will have commissioned at least 125 new works from leading composers—both established and emerging and premiered them at Carnegie Hall. During the 2017-2018 season, notable premieres included Philip Glass's String Quartet No. 8 with the JACK Quartet, Tyshawn Sorey's Cycles of My Being performed by tenor Lawrence Brownlee and friends, Gabriel Kahane's Bright and Fair performed by Ensemble Connect, Tigran Hamasyan's Ser Aravote performed by Roomful of Teeth in their Carnegie Hall debut with the composer at the piano, and many others.

Lead support for the 125 Commissions Project is provided by The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

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COMPOSER/ ARRANGER	TITLE	PERFORMER
THOMAS ADÈS	Powder Her Face Suite (NY Premiere, co- commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	The Philadelphia Orchestra Yannick Nézet-Séguin, Music Director and Conductor
THOMAS ADÈS (realization)	"By beauteous softness" from Henry Purcell's Now does the glorious day appear Purcell's "Now that sun hath veil'd his light" (An Evening Hymn on a Ground), Z. 193 (World Premiere, co-commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Iestyn Davies, Countertenor Thomas Adès, Piano
IAIN BELL	of you (World Premiere, commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Jamie Barton, Mezzo-Soprano Kathleen Kelly, Piano
SEBASTIAN CURRIER	Etude 6, "Velocities," and Lullaby 2, "Dreaming," from Etudes and Lullabies (World Premiere, co-commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Borromeo String Quartet Dov Scheindlin, Viola
DONNACHA DENNEHY	Broken Unison (World Premiere, co-commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Sō Percussion
BRYCE DESSNER	Voy a dormir (World Premiere, co-commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Orchestra of St. Luke's Robert Spano, Conductor Kelley O'Connor, Mezzo-Soprano
GABRIELA LENA FRANK	Apu: Tone Poem for Orchestra (NY Premiere, commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	National Youth Orchestra of the United States of America Marin Alsop, Conductor
STACY GARROP	Glorious Mahalia (World Premiere, commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Kronos Quartet
PHILIP GLASS	String Quartet No. 8 (US Premiere, co- commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	JACK Quartet
TIGRAN HAMASYAN	Ser Aravote (NY Premiere, co- commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Roomful of Teeth Brad Wells, Artistic Director Tigran Hamasyan, Piano
GABRIEL KAHANE	Bright and Fair (NY Premiere, commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Ensemble Connect Gabriel Kahane, Vocals and Piano

JIMMY LÓPEZ	Guardian of the Horizon: Concerto Grosso for Violin, Cello, and Strings (NY Premiere, co- commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Sphinx Virtuosi
STEVEN MACKEY	Through Your Fingers (World Premiere, co-commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Alisa Weilerstein, Cello Inon Barnatan, Piano
NICO MUHLY (arranger)	Selections by Philip Glass (World Premiere, commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Nico Muhly, Piano Esteli Gomez, Sopran Caroline Shaw, Vocal Laurie Anderson, Violin and Vocals Nadia Sirota, Viola Alex Sopp, Flute Lisa Kaplan, Piano Chris Thompson, Percussion
ANDRÉ PREVIN	The Fifth Season for Violin and Piano (World Premiere, co-commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Anne-Sophie Mutter Violin Lambert Orkis, Piano
ROBERT XAVIER RODRIGUEZ	The Dot and the Line (NY Premiere, co-commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Orchestra of St. Luke Edwin Outwater, Conductor
PAUCHI SASAKI	GAMA XVI for Orchestra and Electronics (World Premiere, co-commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	American Composers Orchestra George Manahan, Music Director and Conductor Pauchi Sasaki, Electronics and Speaker-Dress
CAROLINE SHAW	"Aurora Borealis" and "Bed of Letters" (World Premiere, commissioned by Carnegie Hall)	Renée Fleming, Soprano Inon Barnatan, Piano

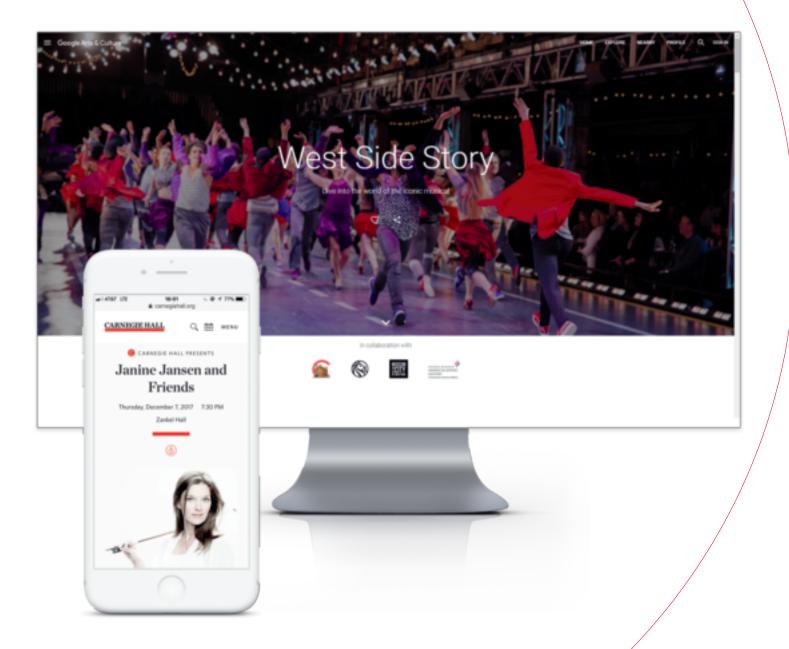




# **KRONOS QUARTET'S** FIFTY FOR THE FUTURE

The following composers were commissioned as part of Fifty for the Future: The Kronos Learning Repertoire project in the 2017-2018 season.

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# DIGITAL INITIATIVES

During the 2017-2018 season, Carnegie Hall's mission of bringing extraordinary music to the widest possible audience was supported through a wide range of digital initiatives. Music lovers outside Carnegie Hall's walls were invited to explore, engage, and be entertained on a range of digital platforms.

Staying on the cutting edge of both accessibility and technology is essential to Carnegie Hall's digital programming, and a core tool for achieving this is the Hall's virtual front door: carnegiehall.org. After extensive planning, production, and testing—involving a wide range of staff who brought their particular skills and dedication to the project the new Carnegie Hall website was unveiled in November 2017. For the first time, carnegiehall.org is mobile-responsive and accessible to people with disabilities. Additionally, the website's new, more robust content management system is expandable to support future innovation and technologyall vital to creating a more personal customer experience. The new site deftly supports ticket sales on desktop, tablet, and mobile platforms and handles the complexities of sales for the new Create Your Own subscription series. The financial rewards have been evident with a marked increase in online ticket sales, including mobile subscription renewals. The new website has also received its share of public praise, earning two Webby Award nominations from the Academy of Digital Arts and Sciences.

Once again, music making from Carnegie Hall was shared with a vast global audience via live radio broadcasts and webcasts. Carnegie Hall and WQXR-FM, in partnership with WFMT Radio Networks, launched the seventh year of the Carnegie Hall Live series with a broadcast of the Opening Night Gala featuring Yannick Nézet-Séguin conducting The Philadelphia Orchestra. The series continued with L'Arpeggiata in a Luigi Rossi program, Sir Antonio Pappano conducting the Orchestra dell'Accademia Nazionale di Santa Cecilia with pianist Martha Argerich, Mahler's Third Symphony with the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Zubin Mehta, violinist Joshua Bell and pianist Jeremy Denk in recital, Gustavo Dudamel on the podium leading the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, and more. More than a dozen concerts were broadcast with WQXR and Carnegie Hall hosting live conversations on Twitter with participants joining in using the hashtag #CHLive.

The Hall's partnership with medici.tv entered its fourth year. In addition to the Orchestra dell'Accademia Nazionale di Santa Cecilia concert, there were webcasts of the Philip Glass Ensemble performing Glass's *Music with Changing Parts*, master classes with mezzo-soprano Joyce DiDonato, and summertime webcasts of National Youth Orchestra of the United States of America in Beijing, NYO2 in Miami, and NYO Jazz in Berlin.

For the third season, Carnegie Hall was an Apple Music curator. Apple Music subscribers listened to dynamic playlists that explored Carnegie Hall programming, including Perspectives artists Janine Jansen and Daniil Trifonov, Debs Composer's Chair Philip Glass, *The '60s: The Years that Changed America* festival, the Leonard Bernstein centenary, and more.

Carnegie Hall programming was featured in a number of virtual exhibits on the Google Cultural Institute. A major online exhibition honoring Leonard Bernstein's *West Side Story* was particularly relevant in the Bernstein centenary year. This brilliant collaboration with the New York Public Library for the Performing Arts, the Museum of the City of New York, the National Museum of American Jewish History, and Google Arts & Culture brought together artifacts and mementos from the making of the Broadway musical and movie, behind-the-scenes photographs, and extensive written and video features that explored the history, artistic value, and social relevance of this landmark work.

Carnegie Hall's YouTube channel, with over 46,000 subscribers, offered a window into a wide range of Carnegie Hall offerings. There were videos showcasing the season's concert programming, including *The '60s: The Years that Changed America*, Perspectives artists Janine Jansen and Daniil Trifonov, and more. Additionally, master classes, moving performances from the Lullaby Project, and other initiatives of the Weill Music Institute were showcased.

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# WEILL MUSIC INSTITUTE

More than a half million people in New York City, across the US, and around the globe enjoyed a remarkable range of music education and social impact programs from the Weill Music Institute (WMI) during the 2017-2018 season. WMI's national and international partnerships, New York City initiatives, innovative offerings at Carnegie Hall, and online curricula, videos, and other resources enriched lives and spread the joy of music throughout the season.



In March, a remarkable culminating concert of a citywide creative learning project showcased original music written by New Yorkers of all ages, inspired by the protest songs of the 1960s and the social issues of today, performed alongside covers of influential songs from that turbulent decade. A Time Like This: Music for Change presented 13 original songs created in songwriting workshops across the city. Taking inspiration from artists such as Bob Dylan, Aretha Franklin, Marvin Gaye, Jimi Hendrix, and others, young people took the stage, collaborating with professional artists, to raise their voices in a rallying cry for unity and the power of music to fight for change.

The concert was hosted by Def Poetry Jam's Lemon Andersen and featured Rhiannon Giddens, Toshi Reagon, Ro James, Carrie Compere, and many others. In an interview with *Afropop*, Young Paris, who performed "Let 'Em Say"

alongside two teen songwriters from Brooklyn, said, "I was excited to work with the kids and see how we could use a platform as prestigious as Carnegie Hall to showcase not only their work but how to bring community together and put them on the same stage." Since the 1960s and long before, the Carnegie Hall stage has been a platform for the voices and causes that shape our world. A Time Like This: Music for Change built upon that legacy and delivered a powerful message. The concert also opened the third Create Justice forum, a national initiative led by Carnegie Hall and the Arts for Incarcerated Youth Network in Los Angeles that focused on the intersection of arts and juvenile justice reform. Rob Pollock, a songwriter who wrote and performed an original song entitled "Testify," about finding the bravery to stand up for justice, reflected on the program's timely message: "I'm going to support the people who talk and find the courage to do more of it myself ... That's what gives impetus for change."

Sunday, March 11 at 3 PM | Stern/Perelman

# A TIME LIKE THIS: MUSIC FOR CHANGE

 $\boldsymbol{Lemon\,Andersen}, \textbf{Poet}\, \textbf{and}\, \textbf{Emcee}$ 

Rhiannon Giddens, Vocals

Toshi Reagon, Vocals

Young Paris, Vocals

Carrie Compere, Vocals

Ro James, Vocals

Sarah Elizabeth Charles, Vocals

Emily Eagen, Vocals

Emeline Michel, Vocals

Roya Marsh, Poet

Kenny Seymour, Music Supervisor, Director, and Arranger

with Special Guests

Noga Cabo, Songwriter and Vocals

Hannah Coleman, Songwriter and Vocals

Robert Pollock, Songwriter and Vocals

Emma Thompson-Haye, Songwriter and Vocals

A Time Like This Band

Wadleigh High School Choir

Songs of Solomon

PS51M Elias Howe Second Grade Choir

Future Music Project Ensemble

Free Verse Poets

nicHi douglas, Stage Director

Dan Scully, Projection Designer

Stacey Boggs, Lighting Designer

Josh Reid, Sound Designer





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# MAP OF WMI PROGRAMS



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LINK UP



MUSICAL EXPLORERS



MUSIC EDUCATORS WORKSHOP

Programs of the Weill Music Institute reached teachers, students, and community members during the 2017–2018 season in the following states and countries:

Alabama Alaska Massachusetts Arizona Michigan Arkansas Minnesota California Mississippi Colorado Missouri Nevada Connecticut Delaware New Hampshire Florida New York North Carolina Georgia Idaho Ohio Oklahoma Illinois Indiana Oregon Pennsylvania Iowa Louisiana Puerto Rico Maine South Carolina

Maryland South Dakota Texas Vermont Virginia Washington West Virginia Wisconsin

> Canada Japan Spain Kenya Greece

United Kingdom



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FOR **STUDENTS** AND TEACHERS



# LINK UP (GRADES 3-5)

This program for students in grades 3-5 gave participants the opportunity to join the orchestra by teaching them to sing and play an instrument in the classroom. In culminating concerts, students performed with a professional orchestra from their seats.

#### IN NEW YORK CITY

During the 2017-2018 season, New York City students participated in The Orchestra Sings, an exploration of melody through orchestral repertoire that included Dvořák's "New World" Symphony, Beethoven's "Ode to Joy," and Stravinsky's *Firebird* Suite. Nearly 15,000 New York City students and teachers traveled to Carnegie Hall for the six culminating concerts performed by the Orchestra of St. Luke's, conducted by Rossen Milanov and hosted by Thomas Cabaniss.

May 22-24 | Stern/Perelman THE ORCHESTRA SINGS Orchestra of St. Luke's Rossen Milanov, Conductor Thomas Cabaniss, Host

Sarah Elizabeth Charles, Vocals Christian Figueroa, Vocals Shanna Lesniak, Vocals Tali Rubinstein, Recorder Brandon Ray Maxwell, Dancer Marcus Santos & Grooversity, Percussion Ensemble Students from PS 100Q, Bank Street School for Children, and PS 1650. Ensemble

Melissa Rae Mahon, Director Dan Scully, Visuals Designer Stacey Boggs, Lighting Designer Nevin Steinberg, Sound Designer

#### FOR NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

Orchestras across the country and around the globe also participated in Link Up. Throughout the 2017-2018 season, the program was implemented by more than 100 partner orchestras in the US and abroad, serving approximately 400,000 students and teachers.

Adrian Symphony Orchestra (Michigan) Aiken Symphony Guild (South Carolina)

Akron Symphony Orchestra (Ohio) Albany Symphony Orchestra (Georgia)

Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra (Michigan)

Amarillo Symphony (Texas)

Arkansas Philharmonic Orchestra (Arkansas)

Art of Music Foundation (Kenya) Artis-Naples (Florida)

Baton Rouge Symphony Orchestra (Louisiana)

Binghamton Philharmonic (New York) Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra (Canada)

Cape Symphony (Massachusetts) Carnegie Hall-Lewisburg, West Virginia (West Virginia)

Carolina Philharmonic

(North Carolina)

Central Ohio Symphony (Ohio) Charleston Symphony Orchestra (South Carolina)

Charlotte Symphony Orchestra (North Carolina)

Colorado Springs Philharmonic (Colorado)

Columbus Symphony (Ohio)

Conservatori Professional de Música de Menorca (Spain)

Corporación de las Artes Musicales (Puerto Rico)

Dallas Symphony Orchestra (Texas) Delaware Symphony Orchestra (Delaware)

East Texas Symphony Orchestra (Texas)

El Paso Symphony Orchestra (Texas) Enid Symphony Orchestra (Oklahoma) Eugene Symphony (Oregon)

Fairfax Symphony Orchestra (Virginia) Flagstaff Symphony Orchestra

(Arizona) Fort Wayne Philharmonic (Indiana) Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra

(Texas) Fresno Philharmonic Orchestra

(California) Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra (Colorado)

Gulf Coast Symphony (Mississippi) Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra (Pennsylvania)

Hartford Symphony Orchestra (Connecticut)

Honeywell Center (Indiana) Idaho State Civic Symphony (Idaho) Juneau Symphony (Alaska)

Kansas City Symphony (Missouri) Kenai Peninsula Orchestra (Alaska) Kingsville Symphony Orchestra (Texas)

Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony (Canada)

Lansing Symphony (Michigan) Longview Symphony (Texas) Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra (Louisiana)

Madison Symphony Orchestra (Wisconsin)

Mankato Symphony Orchestra (Minnesota)

Maryland Symphony Orchestra (Maryland)

Meridian Symphony Orchestra (Mississippi)

Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra (Wisconsin)

Mississippi Symphony Orchestra (Mississippi)

Modesto Symphony Orchestra (California)

Music in the Mountains (California) New Hampshire Music Festival (New Hampshire)

New West Symphony (California)

North Mississippi Symphony Orchestra (Mississippi)

Northwest Florida Symphony Orchestra (Florida)

Oklahoma City Philharmonic (Oklahoma)

Omaha Symphony (Nebraska) Oregon Symphony (Oregon)

Orquesta Sinfónica de los Conservatorios de Almendralejo y Mérida (Spain)

Orquesta Sinfónica del Principado de Asturias (Spain)

Pacific Music Festival (Japan)

The Philadelphia Orchestra (Pennsylvania)

Plano Symphony Orchestra (Texas)

Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra (Massachusetts)

Regina Symphony Orchestra (Canada) Reno Philharmonic Orchestra (Nevada)

Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra & Music School (Rhode Island)

Rogue Valley Symphony (Oregon) Sacramento Philharmonic & Opera (California)

San Antonio Symphony (Texas) Santa Cruz Symphony (California) Saratoga Orchestra of Whidbey Island

(Washington) Seattle Symphony (Washington) Shreveport Symphony Orchestra

(Louisiana) Sinfonia Gulf Coast (Florida)

Sioux City Symphony (Iowa) South Bend Symphony Orchestra (Indiana)

South Carolina Philharmonic (South Carolina)

South Dakota Symphony Orchestra (South Dakota)

Spartanburg Philharmonic Orchestra (South Carolina)

Spokane Symphony (Washington) Springfield Symphony Orchestra

(Ohio) St. Louis Symphony (Missouri)

Stamford Symphony (Connecticut) Starkville-Mississippi State University Symphony Association (Mississippi)

Symphony Nova Scotia (Canada) Symphony Tacoma (Washington) Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra (Florida)

The Florida Orchestra (Florida) The Venice Symphony (Florida)

Thunder Bay Symphony Orchestra (Canada) Tulsa Symphony Orchestra

(Oklahoma) Vermont Youth Orchestra Association

(Vermont)

Virginia Symphony Orchestra (Virginia)

Walla Walla Symphony (Washington) West Michigan Symphony (Michigan) Winston-Salem Symphony (North Carolina)



# MUSICAL EXPLORERS

Basic music skills were explored in classrooms as children learned songs from different cultures, reflected on their own communities, and developed singing and listening skills. Students discovered a diverse range of musical genres found in their New York City neighborhoods. In the fall, the curriculum focused on Georgian folk with Ilusha Tsinadze, Freedom Songs with Imani Uzuri, and Haitian music with Emeline Michel. During the spring, students learned about Argentine folk with Sofía Rei and Sofia Tosello; Native American with Martha Redbone; and South African Zulu music with Sbongiseni Duma and Tshidi Manye.

December 12-15 Zankel

Sid Solomon, Host

Ilusha Tsinadze, Vocals and Guitar Vitor Gonçalves, Accordion and Vocals

Christopher Tordini, Bass and Vocals Richie Barshay, Percussion

Peter Hess, Clarinet and Vocals

Imani Uzuri, Vocals and Tambourine Charlie Burnham, Violin and Vocals

Marvin Sewell, Guitar Emeline Michel, Vocals

Yavoi Ikawa, Piano Calvin Jones, Bass

Jean Guy Rene, Tanbou, Congas and

Carol Hodge, Percussion and Vocals

May 8-11 Zankel

Sid Solomon, Host

Sofía Rei, Vocals, Charango, Caja Vidalera, and Bombo

Sofia Tosello, Vocals Eric Kurimski, Guitar

Jorge Roeder, Bass Tupac Mantilla, Percussion

Martha Redbone, Vocals and Hand

Percussion Soni Moreno, Vocals and Hand

Percussion

Charlie Burnham, Violin and Vocals Aaron Whitby, Piano

Sbongiseni Duma, Vocals and Percussion

Tshidi Manye, Vocals

Horace "Junior" Wedderburn, Percussion

Wendyam "JJ" Roamba, Bass

# Omaha Performing Arts (Omaha, Nebraska)

Savannah Music Festival (Savannah, Georgia) The Broad Stage

Mduduzi Madela, Guitar

NATIONAL PARTNERS



# MUSIC EDUCATORS WORKSHOP

Music teachers in community and school settings strengthened their skills in a series of professional training and musical activities in Carnegie Hall's Resnick Education Wing. From September to June, New York City educators at all stages of their careers had the opportunity to participate in workshops with student ensembles and visiting faculty, learn from professional artists, and attend Carnegie Hall concerts. And in July, music teachers from across the country visited Carnegie Hall for two intensive weeklong sessions. The first session, You Are What You Play, explored methods to open students' hearts and minds to the power of artful and engaging repertoire. David Herskovitz, founding artistic director of the Target Margin Theater in Brooklyn, launched the session with a powerful keynote address. The message resonated with Regina Jimenez, an educator at Abraham Lincoln Middle School in Selma, California: "Before my Carnegie Hall experience, I was teaching notes on a page and proper techniques, which are important, but I am excited to teach my students that there is more than just that—there is a humanistic connection to music." Teachers also enjoyed an opportunity to meet and play with members of NYO2—one of Carnegie Hall's free orchestral programs for some of the most promising young instrumentalists from across the nation—and also play and rehearse together in ensembles throughout the week, which culminated in an informal concert. The second week of sessions, Dare to Create, focused on ways to use composition and improvisation to inspire students. Apropos of the topic, the sessions began with a sketch comedy and improvisation workshop led by members of the Upright Citizens Brigade. The educators worked with jazz trombonist Wycliffe Gordon and attended the Carnegie Hall debut of NYO Jazz—the third in a trio of Carnegie Hall's national youth ensembles. They finished off their week with a joyous pop-up performance in Times Square conducted by Steven Reineke, music director of The New York Pops.

# **FACULTY**

**Thomas Cabaniss** Eric Dalio Joyce DiDonato Rajeeyah Finnie-Meyers Wycliffe Gordon Lisa Green Michael Haithcock Margaret Jenks Shanna Lesniak Whitney Richard Mannoia Nicole Mitchell Alice Parker Reggie Thomas Summer Music Educators WEILL MUSIC INSTITUTE 47





# FAMILY EVENTS

During the 2017-2018 season, creativity, imagination, and musical curiosity were stimulated with free and affordable events for children and families. The October Family Concert in Stern Auditorium / Perelman Stage focused on musical storytelling with Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf and premieres of works by Robert Xavier Rodriguez and Caroline Shaw. John Lithgow narrated, and the Orchestra of St. Luke's was conducted by Edwin Outwater. Zankel Hall was home to My City, My Song concerts held in December and May, in which children had the opportunity to discover music from different parts of the world found right in their own city. The Resnick Education Wing was also home to Family Days, in which entire families enjoyed live performances, built handmade instruments, and sang and danced with professional musicians. The Fall Family Day was a journey through Latin American music, while the spring celebration was inspired by The '60s: The Years that Changed America festival and showed the ways music creates change in our world.

# NEIGHBORHOOD **CONCERTS**

For more than four decades, Carnegie Hall has partnered with local community organizations to bring outstanding mainstage artists as well as exciting rising stars of classical, jazz, and music from around the world to neighborhoods from the tip of Brooklyn to the top of the Bronx. Tapping into the pulse of diverse communities, these free concerts brought together local residents and people from throughout the city to share in the joy of music.



# LULLABY PROJECT

Through the Lullaby Project, expectant women, new mothers, and their families work with professional artists to write and sing personal lullables for their babies, supporting maternal health, aiding child development, and strengthening the bond between parent and child. In New York City, this program reaches mothers in schools, foster care facilities, healthcare settings, homeless shelters, and Rikers Island Correctional Facility. Song circles across the city give New Yorkers the chance to sing lullabies and create songs of their own. Extending across the country, the Lullaby Project enables partner organizations to support families in their own communities. Livestreams of Lullaby Project concerts at Carnegie Hall are also available online to share with families and the world.

# **LULLABY PROJECT** 2017-2018 ARTISTS

Eleni Arapoglou Frederic LasFargeas Bridget Barkan Daniel Levy Lara Bello Daniel Linden Rogerio Boccato Camila Meza Starr Busby Shelley Monroe Huang **Thomas Cabaniss** Sofia Ribeiro John Chin Jean Rohe Rob Curto Clay Ross Malena Dayen Falguni Shah Sonia de los Santos Kavita Shah James Shipp **Emily Eagen** Brian Ellingsen Deidre Struck Pala Garcia Melanie Swift Marika Hughes Chris Washburne Saskia Lane

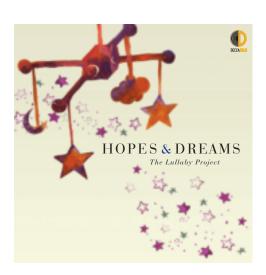
# NATIONAL PARTNERS

Austin Classical Guitar (Texas) **Bay Chamber Concerts** (Maine) Chicago Symphony Orchestra (Illinois) El Buen Pastor Latino Community Services (North Carolina) El Sistema (Greece) Flint School of Performing Arts (Michigan) Keys to Life (Alaska) Instruments of Change

(Canada)

Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra (Wisconsin) Old Town School of Folk Music (Illinois)

Oregon Symphony (Oregon) Palaver Strings Inc. (Massachusetts) Reno Philharmonic Orchestra (Nevada) Seattle Symphony (Washington) The Corporation of Massey Hall & Roy Thomson Hall (Canada) The Irene Taylor Trust (United Kingdom) Vocal Essence (Minnesota) Wesleyan University (Connecticut)



April saw the release of the recording *Hopes and Dreams: The Lullaby Project* on the Decca Gold label. The album featured 15 lullabies written by Lullaby Project parents from across New York City performed by an honor roll of great artists. Performers included Fiona Apple, the Brentano String Quartet, Lawrence Brownlee, Rosanne Cash, Joyce DiDonato, Janice Freeman, Rhiannon Giddens, Angélique Kidjo, Patti LuPone, Natalie Merchant, Dianne Reeves, Gilberto Santa Rosa, Pretty Yende, and Catherine Zeta-Jones. DiDonato, who sings the title track "Hopes and Dreams" with the Brentano String Quartet, has been involved with the Lullaby Project for over five years and had the opportunity to meet the song's composer Elsa Negron. Negron reflected on her experience: "The message I wanted to send to my daughter and future children is that you can do anything you set your mind to do." The album was an instant hit, climbing the Billboard, Amazon, and iTunes charts.

# SOCIAL **IMPACT**

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# MUSICAL CONNECTIONS

Men incarcerated at Sing Sing Correctional Facility created and performed music with visiting artists. A series of 50 workshops focused on developing composition and instrumental skills, while four concerts for the facility's general population featured original works written and performed by the artistic community. After returning home to New York City, men met regularly to support each other, inform the program as an advisory committee, and continue to make music. The A Time Like This: Music for Change concert in March featured songs written by men in Musical Connections.

Friday, October 6 at 6:30 PM Sing Sing Correctional Facility MUSICAL CONNECTIONS CONCERT

Sing Sing Resident Ensemble Joyce DiDonato, Mezzo-Soprano

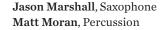
Sarah Elizabeth Charles, Vocals Jason Marshall, Saxophone

Craig Terry, Piano

Friday, December 1 at 6:30 PM Sing Sing Correctional Facility MUSICAL CONNECTIONS CONCERT

Sing Sing Resident Ensemble Lemon Andersen, Playwright, Poet, Spoken Word Artist

**SCOPE** 



Friday, February 9 at 6:30 PM Sing Sing Correctional Facility MUSICAL CONNECTIONS **CONCERT** Sing Sing Resident Ensemble

Sarah Elizabeth Charles, Vocals Willerm Delisfort, Piano Jason Marshall, Saxophone Matt Moran, Vibraphone

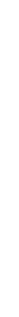
Friday, June 22 at 6:30 PM Sing Sing Correctional Facility MUSICAL CONNECTIONS **CONCERT** 

**Musical Connections Ensemble SCOPE** 

Jason Marshall, Saxophone Matt Moran, Percussion Pala Garcia, Violin Ann Gregg, Viola John Patrick Popham, Cello Brad Balliett, Bassoon Laura Weiner, Horn Elliot Cole, Piano

# MUSICAL CONNECTIONS ARTISTS

Lemon Andersen Sarah Elizabeth Charles John Davis Willerm Delisfort Joyce DiDonato Jesse Elder Pala Garcia Yonatan Levy Jason Marshall Allan Mednard Jonathan Michel Matt Moran Jonathan Pinson John Patrick Popham Craig Terry





# CREATE JUSTICE

In September, WMI and the Los Angeles-based Arts for Incarcerated Youth Network (AIYN) gathered a crosssection of more than 100 thought leaders and young people for the second of three national Create Justice forums. The Los Angeles forum brought policymakers, artists, funders, activists, researchers, and leaders from non-profit organizations and government agencies together to work with young people to further refine ideas for leveraging the power of the arts for youth justice and reform. The September forum brought participants to Los Angeles's new youth detention center-Campus Kilpatrick-to explore the issues raised in the forum alongside the youth who are directly impacted. Additionally, there was a Youth Leadership Workshop at the Armory Center for the Arts in Pasadena. Young people gathered, supported by artists, advocates, and Carnegie Hall stakeholders, to reflect and articulate their priorities. Youth leaders and national stakeholders met on the second day of the forum to create a collective action plan. A rallying cry was sounded: "This is ground zero for the next biggest reform for our justice system. It's going to be an art attack," said Hasan Davis, a Create Justice participant and juvenile justice advocate from Kentucky, in an interview with the Juvenile Justice Information Exchange. In March, the third forum was held in the Resnick Education Wing at Carnegie Hall, opening with a powerful concert titled A Time Like This: Music for Change.

# **NEON ARTS**

"Art saved my life, so if I can show somebody else how to take a struggle and do something that they're passionate about and make a living with it, it's a win-win all around," said Danny Cross, a NeON Arts teaching artist and founder of Fame Airbrush. His student, Dylan, is now building an artistic career from his artwork and passing those skills on to other teens. "I really want to start my own business. I want to make and promote my shirts and wear them to get people to buy them. Art is like music: You paint it and see different expressions. It's like a vision in your head and you can make that vision real." Dylan is one of many young artists inspired by NeON Arts. This free program of the New York Department of Probation in partnership with Carnegie Hall is open to the entire city, offering young people the chance to explore the arts through a variety of creative projects in their neighborhoods and at local community-based probation offices called Neighborhood Opportunity Networks (NeONs). The Weill Music Institute managed the program's grantmaking process, coordinated citywide events, and worked with arts organizations and NeON stakeholders to ensure that each project, including planning and implementation, is a collaboration that benefits the entire community. In the 2017–2018 season, NeON Arts funded 25 creative projects across the city.

### **NEON ARTS GRANTEES**

Fame Airbrush Projectivity **Building Beats** Free Verse Cobra Marching Band

Thrive Collective The International Child Program Green Earth Poets Café Free a Voice Flex Program





# **FUTURE MUSIC PROJECT**

(AGES 14-19)

The third season of the Future Music Project gave New York City teens the opportunity to create, perform, and produce their own original music. There were weekly afterschool workshops on songwriting, digital music, and concert design for young people across New York City, including at Carnegie Hall as well as the Bronx Hope, Belmont, Crossroads, and Horizon juvenile detention centers. The Future Music Project also included Count Me In, which gave eighthgrade singers the opportunity to prepare for auditions to performing arts high schools in New York City. The Future Music Project Ensemble, an audition-based group made up of teens from across New York City, met multiple times a week to write original music, rehearse, and perform. Young people from across Future Music Project performed with celebrated artists on Carnegie Hall's mainstage as part of March's A Time Like This: Music for Change creative learning project. Young people also took part in Studio 57, a free drop-in space on Saturdays for any teen across New York City. Studio 57 gave them the opportunity to collaborate, jam, attend Meet the Pros master classes, and perform in monthly Studio 57 Live open-mic concerts for family, friends, and fellow musicians in the Resnick Education Wing.

Throughout the spring, the ensemble members had the opportunity to work with the great jazz pianist and composer Fred Hersch in a series of workshops. In June, they performed with Hersch at SubCulture on the Lower East Side and at a second concert at El Museo del Barrio. Together, they performed a new arrangement of Hersch's "Good Things Happen Slowly" alongside new music inspired by the 1960s.

# **FACULTY**

Bridget Barkan Orson Benjamin Brown Rice Family Sarah Elizabeth Charles Jarrett Cherner Nick Demeris Justin Grey Saskia Lane Frankie Leroux Gabo Lugo

Ricky Nigaglioni Aynsley Powell Jean Rohe Clay Ross Falu Shah James Shipp Reginald "P.U.D.G.E." Sinkler Skye Steele Mazz Swift



**Future Music Project Ensemble** June 16

# WORKSHOPS AND MASTER CLASSES

Artists on the rise were given valuable access to world-class performers and composers who have established themselves on Carnegie Hall stages. Participants for these tuition-free opportunities were selected after responding to open audition calls. Gathering in the Resnick Education Wing, these up-and-coming musicians received coaching and mentoring that assisted them in reaching their artistic and professional goals.

# THE SONG CONTINUES: MARILYN HORNE

"I wouldn't have had a career without her. She's my 'opera mom,' and everything I'm about to do-new roles, new songs—I always look to her for coaching and advice. She has such great ears and a knowledge of the repertoire that not many possess now," said Lester Lynch, a baritone who was mentored by legendary mezzo-soprano Marilyn Horne. January marked the end of an era as Horne marked her final season as artistic adviser of The Song Continues, the annual festival of song she founded in 1997 and for which she led a public master class in the Resnick Education Wing. Following the Horne master class, there were classes led by collaborative pianist Graham Johnson and soprano Renée Fleming. In addition, the 12 young vocalists and four pianists participated in private coaching sessions with either Ken Noda or Warren Jones, and had the opportunity to attend a Career Resources Session, as well as the culminating Marilyn Horne Song Celebration concert.

# **JOYCE DIDONATO**

In April, mezzo-soprano Joyce DiDonato led three public master classes for young singers in the Resnick Education Wing, each video-streamed to music lovers worldwide via medici.tv. Four singers were coached in opera arias by a wide range of composers, including Rossini, Mozart, Giordano, Gounod, Korngold, Massenet, Puccini, and Debussy.

#### ORCHESTRA MASTER CLASSES

Members of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, Chicago Symphony Orchestra, and Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra all led master classes for young musicians in the Resnick Education Wing. Perspectives artist violinist Janine Jansen also coached string players from the National Youth Orchestra of the United States of America in Mendelssohn's Octet.

# **PLAYUSA** (GRADES K-12)

In its third year, PlayUSA supported 13 partner organizations across the nation that offered instrumental music education programs to low-income and underserved K-12 students. Participating organizations received funding, consulted with Carnegie Hall staff to address challenges, built on best practices, and trained and provided professional development for teachers and arts administrators.

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# NYO JAZZ

(AGES 16-19)

"I've already met so many great musicians my age I didn't know existed," said alto saxophonist Kevin Oliver, Jr. of Atlanta, Georgia. "This has been more than I could have imagined." Oliver was speaking as one of 22 inaugural members of NYO Jazz. These outstanding players, representing 16 US states, were selected after a competitive audition process to train under the leadership of trumpeter and educator Sean Jones. They had the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to work with some of America's top jazz artists, including drummer Obed Calvaire, trumpeter Etienne Charles, pianist Gerald Clayton, trombonist Wycliffe Gordon, flutist and saxophonist Erica von Kleist, bassist Mimi Jones, guitarist Matthew Stevens, and pianist and ensemble coach Reggie Thomas during their residency at Purchase College, SUNY.

The hard work paid off. They made their Carnegie Hall debut led by Jones and joined by special guests Dianne Reeves and Wycliffe Gordon. They played big band standards, as well as the first Carnegie Hall–commissioned works for NYO Jazz—a new piece by saxophonist Miguel Zenón and several new arrangements from bassist John Clayton—and other contemporary pieces that explored jazz's influence on hip-hop, R&B, and pop music. The members of NYO Jazz then had the unforgettable experience of spreading good will through their blend of quintessentially American music when they embarked on their first-ever international tour with visits to Europe's great musical capitals.

The ensemble traveled first to England for a performance in Bury St. Edmunds at The Apex and Cadogan Hall in London, as well as a side-by-side rehearsal with the UK's National Youth Jazz Orchestra (NYJO). The tour continued with a concert at the Concertgebouw in Amsterdam as part of the Robeco SummerNights series, and a performance at Usher Hall for the Edinburgh International Festival. In its five-star review of the concert, The Telegraph reflected that "this young players' tour, which they executed with such brilliance and heart-warming generosity, has come not a moment too soon." The tour concluded with performances in Kassel, Germany, at Kultursommer Nordhessen and in Berlin at the Young Euro Classic Festival at the Konzerthaus, a performance streamed worldwide via medici.tv. Reflecting on the youthful energy of the ensemble, Sean Jones stated after the final concert: "You have to use that energy to better the world, and that is exactly what these young men and women are doing by exporting one of the United States's greatest treasures-jazz music."

# NYO JAZZ 2018 TOUR

July 31

The Apex

Bury St. Edmunds, England

August 1

Cadogan Hall

London, England

August 2

Concertgebouw

Amsterdam, Netherlands

August 5

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# NATIONAL YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

(AGES 16-19)

In its sixth year, the National Youth Orchestra of the United States of America (NYO-USA) made July a month of unforgettable music making. Carnegie Hall's Weill Music Institute brought together the brightest young players, ages 16–19, from 28 US states plus Puerto Rico to form this year's orchestra.

The roster included 36 musicians from previous NYO-USA seasons and 18 musicians who gained training and experience in NYO2. After a rigorous audition process, the young musicians trained with principal players from the nation's leading orchestras at Purchase College, SUNY, under the direction of James Ross. Violist Sophie Choate, from Provo, Utah, raved about her participation in "a program that is not only incredible but also constantly evolving for the better. The number of times I had to pinch myself this year to remember that I wasn't dreaming—in the midst of traveling across the world, sharing the passion that I have for this art along with so many talented colleagues from across the country, all without paying a cent—that is a testament to the incredible faith you have in the young musicians of this country."

The orchestra took the stage for its annual July Carnegie Hall concert with Michael Tilson Thomas on the podium, launching his season-long Perspectives series. The concert opened with the world premiere of Ted Hearne's Brass Tacks, a work commissioned by Carnegie Hall. Pianist Jean-Yves Thibaudet then joined the orchestra for Gershwin's jazzy Piano Concerto, followed by a masterful performance of Sibelius's grand Symphony No. 2. There were effervescent encores, including Copland's "Hoe-Down" from Rodeo and, with Tilson Thomas watching from the wings with a delighted smile, the orchestra players set down their instruments and rhythmically chanted, clapped, and shouted Meredith Monk's "Panda Chant II" from The Games: a science fiction opera. It brought the "richly imagined, fully professional performance" (The New York Times) to a jubilant conclusion and set the stage for the orchestra's Asian tour and the musicians' ongoing experience as cultural ambassadors.

The tour kicked off the orchestra's first-ever performance at Taipei's National Concert Hall and cultural exchange activities organized by the American Institute in Taiwan, including pop-up performances on the high-speed rail line, a side-by-side rehearsal with teens in the Taipei Wind Orchestra & Symphonic Band, and a panel discussion with local young students. The orchestra then headed to Shanghai for a sightseeing day on the Bund, a visit to the Shanghai Urban Planning Exhibition Center, and a performance at

Shanghai Symphony Hall. The tour continued in Beijing, with a performance at the National Centre for the Performing Arts that was streamed live around the globe via medici.tv. The orchestra also had the opportunity to visit the Forbidden City and Great Wall, as well as perform chamber music at the US Embassy's Beijing American Center with members of NYO-China. The summer 2018 tour concluded with NYO-USA's debut in South Korea with performances at LOTTE Concert Hall in Seoul and the Daejeon Arts Center. The musicians also toured the city's Bongeunsa Temple, visited the War Memorial of Korea, and enjoyed an afternoon at Seoul's K-Pop museum before returning home after a wonderful summer of building bridges and new friendships through great music.

# NYO-USA 2018 TOUR

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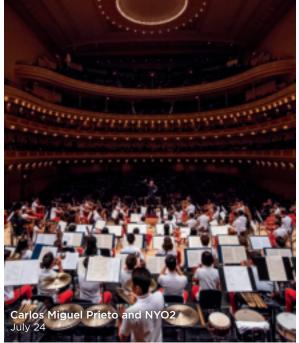


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# NYO2 (AGES 14-17)

For the third consecutive year, Carnegie Hall's Weill Music Institute invited 80 of the best teen musicians from across the country to form NYO2, a unique orchestral training program for younger instrumentalists with a particular focus on attracting talented players from communities that have traditionally been underserved by the classical orchestral field. Twenty-two musicians returned to NYO2 from past summers, with NYO2 musicians joining their colleagues from NYO-USA on the campus of Purchase College, SUNY, and training under resident conductor Joseph Young, artistic director of ensembles at the Peabody Institute.

As part of their residency, the members of NYO2 joined forces with NYO-USA and local young musicians from the New York area for NYO in NYC, a side-by-side rehearsal and performance on the Upper East Side. The massive ensemble played excerpts from Shostakovich's Symphony No. 5 and Saint-Saëns's "Organ" Symphony, as well as "America the Beautiful," led by Young and NYO-USA Orchestra Director James Ross.

For the first time, NYO2 musicians traveled to Miami Beach for a six-day residency as part of a new partnership with the New World Symphony, America's Orchestral Academy (NWS). NYO2 players enjoyed an opportunity to work with NWS fellows and alumni as prelude to a packed concert at the New World Center led by acclaimed conductor Carlos Miguel Prieto. The Miami community even had the opportunity to experience the performance for free as a WALLCAST® concert in which performances inside the New World Center are projected outdoors on the 7,000-square-foot eastern façade of the building for viewing in adjacent SoundScape Park, which is equipped with more than 160 speakers for an immersive sound experience. During their time in Miami, NYO2 members also played and learned in side-by-side events with local young musicians from a summer camp run by the Greater Miami Youth Symphony.

NYO2 returned to Carnegie Hall with Maestro Prieto on the podium, joined onstage by NWS fellows. The ensemble performed Revueltas's Suite from Redes, was joined by Gil Shaham for Prokofiev's Violin Concerto No. 1, and concluded with Shostakovich's Symphony No. 5. Rousing encores followed, including Giménez's Intermezzo from La boda de Luis Alonso, and Ginastera's "Malambo" from Estancia. Violinist Jaycee Cardoso, of Huntington Station, New York, said of the transformative experience: "Not only has NYO2 changed me as a musician, but it has transformed me as a person as well. From all the friends I have made from around the country—to the staff, faculty, New World fellows, and even Gil Shaham-I have never felt more inspired and motivated, and will continue to inspire myself with the memories I have made this summer."

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# ENSEMBLE CONNECT

With the conclusion of its 11th season, Ensemble Connect said farewell to the 18 talented young musicians who were members of the class of 2016–2018. During the 2017–2018 season, they performed at a number of New York City venues, including Carnegie Hall, The Juilliard School's Paul Hall, Governor's Island, and Our Saviour's Atonement Lutheran Church as part of Carnegie Hall's free Neighborhood Concert series. The range of repertoire they performed was vast, spanning Mozart to such living composers as Steve Reich, Missy Mazzoli, Stephen Hartke, Caroline Shaw, and others. A commitment to the music of the present day is an Ensemble Connect cornerstone.

In February, the ensemble gave the world premiere of Gabriel Kahane's song cycle *Bright & Fair*, a work commissioned by Carnegie Hall, at Skidmore College. Days later, the work received its New York premiere as part of Ensemble Connect's four-concert Weill Recital Hall series. Kahane performed with them in both concerts. Andy Akiho's *Cobalt Canvas*—a work commissioned by Carnegie Hall—was developed with the ensemble during a September

residency at The Pocantico Center in Tarrytown, New York. Ensemble Connect gave its world premiere at the Center in June and then its New York premiere at the Rite of Summer Music Festival on Governor's Island a few days later. As always, Ensemble Connect played a vibrant role in the community. The program partnered with instrumental music teachers in 20 New York City public schools and brought interactive programs to community venues such as correctional facilities, senior centers, homeless shelters, and organizations serving people with special needs. The ensemble's alumni continued to make significant contributions globally, as members in over 102 ensembles, and performing, teaching, and interacting with communities in over 53 countries. Once again, an Ensemble Connect video proved to be a hit. In early January, the ensemble rolled out its New Year's ReSOULution in a video in which they performed musical favorites in a SoulCycle spin class. The music was lively, the cyclists determined, and the video garnered more than 138,000 views on Carnegie Hall's social media channels.

# 2017-2018 FELLOWS OF ENSEMBLE CONNECT

Rebecca Anderson, Violin Oliver Barrett, Trombone Lizzie Burns, Bass Lee Dionne, Piano Madeline Fayette, Cello Rosie Gallagher, Flute Andrew Gonzalez, Viola Brandon Ilaw, Percussion Bixby Kennedy, Clarinet Yoonah Kim, Clarinet Nicolee Kuester, Horn Mari Lee, Violin Adelya Nartadjieva, Violin Brian Olson, Trumpet Maren Rothfritz, Viola Mika Sasaki, Piano Remy Taghavi, Bassoon Julia Yang, Cello

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# **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS**

Throughout the year, Ensemble Connect fellows participated in over 150 hours of professional development in the Resnick Education Wing covering such topics as performance, education, entrepreneurship, interactive performance, and leadership. As part of the leadership strand of professional development, Carnegie Hall's executive and artistic director, Clive Gillinson, curated and led a series of sessions with soprano Renée Fleming; Deborah Borda, president and chief executive officer of the New York Philharmonic; and Deborah Rutter, president of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

# **RESIDENCIES**

Rite of Summer

The first residency of the season took place at the Pocantico Center, where composer Andy Akiho worked with the ensemble to begin the creation of a piece for all 18 fellows. October saw Ensemble Connect at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, New York, for an 11th consecutive year as it kicked off the first of its two five-day residencies. There were interactive performances in Saratoga Springs schools and social service centers, visits to Skidmore College classes, and a culminating performance of music by Bernstein, Copland, Missy Mazzoli, and Steve Reich. Ensemble Connect returned to Skidmore in February to work with composer Gabriel Kahane and gave the world premiere of his *Bright & Fair*, commissioned by Carnegie Hall, at the Helen Filene Ladd Recital Hall at the Arthur Zankel Music Center. For their final residency of the season, Ensemble Connect traveled in April to Vail, Colorado, for a special family program residency with Bravo! Vail Music Festival. They led more than a dozen interactive performances in schools and community centers in the greater Vail Valley area. Their visit culminated in two family concerts of Bruce Adolphe's Tyrannosaurus Sue: A Cretaceous Concerto with the composer as narrator.

# AHRC INTERACTIVE PERFORMANCE DAY

Ensemble Connect has a longstanding partnership with AHRC—an organization committed to assisting adults with intellectual and developmental delays—by bringing interactive performances to residents at AHRC centers. Following a series of visits to four New York City AHRC sites, an interactive concert was held in the Resnick Education Wing on May 25, 2018. Ensemble members Yoonah Kim, clarinet; Adelya Nartadjieva, violin; Mari Lee, violin; Andrew Gonzalez, viola; and Madeline Fayette, cello, explored the different ways audiences can experience music. Audience members were encouraged to sing, dance, clap along to the music, and even conduct the ensemble. A moving highlight saw audience members singing the bass line of Pachelbel's Canon while ensemble members embellished melody lines.



Gabriel Kahane

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#### Friday, October 20

Arthur Zankel Music Center, Helen Filene Ladd Concert Hall at Skidmore College

Monday, October 23 Weill Recital Hall

Sunday, November 12 Our Saviour's Atonement Lutheran Church

Tuesday, November 14 Paul Hall. The Juilliard School

Tuesday, December 5 Weill Recital Hall

Thursday, January 4 (cancelled due to inclement weather) Paul Hall,

The Juilliard School

Friday, February 16

Arthur Zankel Music Center, Helen Filene Ladd Concert Hall at Skidmore College

Monday, February 19 Weill Recital Hall

Saturday, February 24

MassiveMuse-GroupMuse Concert, studio space in downtown Manhattan

Tuesday, March 6 Paul Hall, The Juilliard School

Thursday, April 19 Weill Recital Hall

Wednesday, June 6 Pocantico Center

Saturday, June 9 Rite of Summer Music Festival, Governors Island



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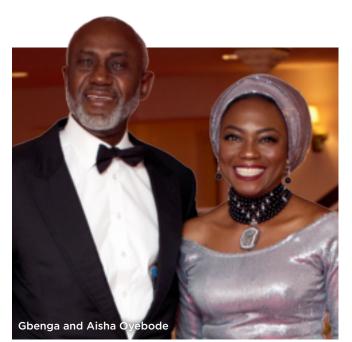
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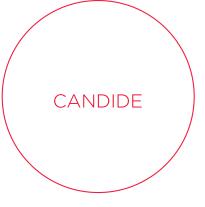
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A new gala experience, *The Stage of Legends*, took place June 13, 2018, on Carnegie Hall's legendary stage. The cocktail reception and blacktie dinner offered guests a rare opportunity to step onto the stage and feel the thrill experienced by the greatest artists. Gala guests also enjoyed a musical performance by I'm With Her, a dynamic band of singer-songwriters. Over \$1 million was raised at this remarkable event. We extend our deepest appreciation to our Gala Chair Sana H. Sabbagh for creating this unforgettable evening, and Co-Chairs Robert K. Kraft, Elizabeth Segerstrom, Tracy Chutorian Semler and Eric Semler, and Hope and Robert F. Smith for their tremendous support.

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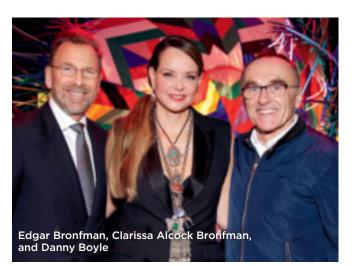
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Carnegie Hall sustained its strong financial position in fiscal year 2018, a season packed with exceptional performances by internationally renowned artists. Close to 170 performances were presented by Carnegie Hall in the 2017–2018 season, alongside approximately 500 events presented at the Hall by outside producers. Complementing this was an extraordinary range of music education and social impact programs created by Carnegie Hall's Weill Music Institute that engaged more than half a million people in New York City, across the United States, and internationally. The considerable reach of this work was made possible through partnerships with organizations and artistic partners around the globe. This included more than 350 schools and performance and community venues that served audiences in all five boroughs of New York City, as well as more than 100 orchestras that took part in Carnegie Hall's Link Up program, connecting with hundreds of thousands of students and educators worldwide.

Strong fundraising in fiscal year 2018 provided a sound financial foundation for Carnegie Hall's wide swath of programmatic activities—results achieved with consistently low cost to raise each dollar. Contributions supporting the Hall's annual operations totaled an impressive \$41.1 million, remaining steady with funds raised in the previous fiscal year. Carnegie Hall's overall operating expenses grew slightly to \$102.9 million in fiscal year 2018, compared to \$101.9 million in fiscal year 2017. With some operational savings realized throughout the season and contributions to the Hall's multi-year 125th Anniversary Campaign tracking ahead of the year's planned budget, the Hall reported a \$4.5 million operating surplus in fiscal year 2018.

Overall, net assets increased to \$519 million as of June 30, 2018, from \$508 million in the previous year, reflecting strong investment returns. Investments totaled \$334 million at June 30, 2018, of which \$323 million in endowment net assets was invested in accordance with the long-term investment policy, resulting in a 7% return on the portfolio in fiscal year 2018. The Hall's endowment draw supporting operations for fiscal year 2018 was \$14.6 million, compared to \$15 million in fiscal year 2017, following the institution's established spending policy, which appropriates a distribution of 5%, calculated on a preceding 20-quarter moving average of the fair market of endowment investments. In summer 2018, Standard and Poor's completed a review of Carnegie Hall's overall financial standing and affirmed the Hall's A+ (stable) long-term debt rating.

The many accomplishments detailed in this report are directly related to the remarkable generosity of the Hall's donors, trustees, and audience members; the commitment of the Hall's staff; and the stewardship of Carnegie Hall's entire extended family. We deeply appreciate this wonderful show of support as we continue to work together to build on Carnegie Hall's successes, looking ahead to many more years of great music to come.

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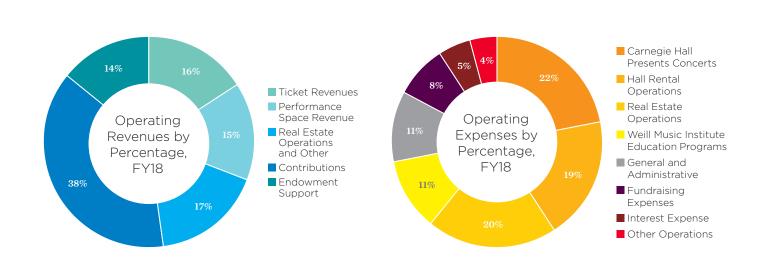
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	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$17,941,604	\$19,687,777
Contributions receivable, net	67,246,532	49,788,441
Prepaid expenses and other assets	3,744,949	4,537,899
Funds held by trustee	452,312	452,312
Investments	334,016,512	329,484,341
Fixed assets, net	253,255,792	265,880,655
Total Assets	\$676,657,701	\$669,831,425
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$7,719,394	\$5,791,842
Advance sale of tickets and other deferred revenue	13,298,194	12,752,505
Accrued pension benefit obligation	24,131,749	26,729,248
Loans payable	112,495,484	117,002,957
Total Liabilities	\$157,644,821	\$162,276,552
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	\$141,073,944	\$149,844,920
Temporarily restricted	184,804,469	170,189,910
Permanently restricted	193,134,467	187,520,043
Total Net Assets	\$519,012,880	\$507,554,873
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$676,657,701	\$ 669,831,425



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During the 2017-2018 season, a dedicated team of 145 Music Ambassadors expressed their love of Carnegie Hall by providing more than 7,800 hours of service. Music Ambassadors led over 950 tours, staffed the Box Office lobby information desk and answered questions from more than 12,000 visitors, assisted in over a half million dollars of sales in the gift shop, and prepared nearly 62,000 mailings. They also assisted outside the Hall, distributing Carnegie Hall materials to over 100 hotel concierges; in addition, they greeted ticket holders outside the Hall-in all kinds of weather-for 115 concerts, helped audiences at nearly 30 Neighborhood Concerts in all five boroughs, and provided support for a host of other programs, including Family Day. We send our heartfelt thanks to these remarkable volunteers.



Special thanks to the Music Ambassadors who each gave more than 100 hours of their time during the 2017-2018 season.

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20+ **HOURS** 

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