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The Philadelphia Orchestra Announces One-Night-Only Concert Featuring Mandolinist and Songwriter Chris Thile April 23, 2025

(Philadelphia, January 9, 2025)—The Philadelphia Orchestra will welcome **Chris Thile** for a one-night-only performance of *ATTENTION!* A narrative song cycle for extroverted mandolinist and orchestra on **April 23, 2025, at 7:30 PM** in **Marian Anderson Hall at the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts**. Thile's biographical composition utilizes his expertise in mandolin performance paired with a full symphonic orchestra to illuminate personal stories from his life and career.

Acclaimed GRAMMY Award-winning mandolinist, singer, songwriter, composer, and MacArthur Fellow recipient of the prestigious "genius grant," Chris Thile is a multifaceted musical talent, described by the *Guardian* as "that rare being: an all-around musician," and hailed by NPR as a "genre-defying musical genius." He is a founding member of the highly influential string bands Punch Brothers and Nickel Creek and has collaborated with countless luminaries from Yo-Yo Ma to Fiona Apple to Brad Mehldau. For four years, Thile hosted public radio-favorite *Live from Here with Chris Thile* (formerly known as *A Prairie Home Companion*). With his broad outlook, he creates a distinctly American canon and a new musical aesthetic for performers and audiences alike, giving the listener "one joyous arc, with the linear melody and vertical harmony blurring into a single web of gossamer beauty" (*The New York Times*).

Over the last year, Thile has been touring with Nickel Creek in support of the critically acclaimed 2023 release *Celebrants*. Additionally, he has been focused on the production of a new musical variety show, *The Energy Curfew Music Hour*. Created with Claire Coffee and featuring Punch Brothers, season one is available on Audible and all podcasting platforms. Most recently, he debuted a new one-man show, *The Manhattan Variations*, in New York City's Little Island about finding oneself in a little cocktail bar on the Lower East Side.

Tickets are available now at philorch.org.

The musicians of The Philadelphia Orchestra are graciously donating their services for this concert.

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