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ENSEMBLE ARTS PHILLY HOSTS THE
5TH ANNUAL PHILADELPHIA FALL ARTS FEST,
FREE FESTIVAL-STYLE EVENT CELEBRATING THE
FALL ARTS SEASON FEATURING FREE
PERFORMANCES AND GIVEAWAYS FROM MORE
THAN 50 DIVERSE ARTS ORGANIZATIONS FROM
ACROSS THE REGION,
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM,
KIMMEL CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Public invited to celebrate Philadelphia's robust arts and culture scene and enjoy MORE THAN 20 FREE performances and activities across Broadway, dance, The Philadelphia Orchestra, local high school musical theater talent, and more

Plus, 50% off tickets* for select performances across the season (promotional pricing, in-person only*)

For Immediate Release: Philadelphia, PA (September 4, 2025) – Ensemble Arts Philly celebrates the kickoff of Philadelphia's robust arts and culture season with *Philadelphia Fall Arts Fest* on Saturday, September 13, from 11:00 AM until 3:00 PM at the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts – a day of FREE festival-style performances, tours of the magnificent Marian Anderson Hall, and the chance to interact with more than 50 arts organizations from across the

region! This annual event brings thousands of arts and entertainment lovers together under the soaring vaulted glass roof of the Kimmel Center and shines a spotlight on the rich and diverse arts and culture ecosystem of the City of Brotherly Love and Sisterly Affection.

"Our annual *Philadelphia Fall Arts Fest* is central to our mission as a nonprofit dedicated to sharing the transformative power of the performing arts and arts education with the widest possible audience," said Ryan Fleur, president and CEO. "Built around the power of partnerships and our commitment to amplifying local artistry as well as global talent, this festival is a reminder that our city's arts and culture community is stronger together."

Philadelphia Fall Arts Fest guests are welcome to explore activities and demonstrations highlighting genres ranging from tap dance to jazz, Broadway to classical, opera to ballet. The Kimmel Center's Commonwealth Plaza stage will feature performances from shows coming to Philadelphia as part of Ensemble Arts Philly's 2025-26 Broadway season, including Tonywinning Best Musical Kimberly Akimbo and The Sound of Music, with accompaniment from high school students from the Philadelphia Independence Awards; a quartet of Philadelphia Orchestra musicians; The Philly Pops; Opera Philadelphia; Esperanza Arts Center; and Project 440. The Kimmel Center's Perelman Theater stage will feature performances from Philadelphia Ballet; Née Danse/Theatre; Chocolate Ballerina Company; SHARP Dance Company; BalletX; Carne Viva Dance Theatre; Living Arts Dance; International Ballet Exchange; and PHILADANCO!. A full schedule of the day is below.

Attendees are invited to peruse the many tables staffed by participating arts organizations to gather information about upcoming programs and events; many organizations will also be recruiting staff or volunteers. Highlights include a 'Keep Music Alive' instrument petting zoo, as well as a table from the local Alice Paul Museum for Gender Justice – a local Mount Laurel, NJ, institution honoring the late suffragette and subject of *Suffs*, the Tony Award-winning musical premiering in Philadelphia in January 2026. Additionally, the DeLorean from the Broadway hit *Back to the Future The Musical* – premiering in Philadelphia in November 2025 – will be parked outside the Kimmel Center building for photo opportunities. Attendees are welcome to engage in friendship bracelet-making, in honor of Tony Award winner *Kimberly Akimbo*, premiering in Philadelphia in October.

In partnership with the Philadelphia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, Ensemble Arts is thrilled to offer "organ pumps," an experience showcasing the mighty Fred J. Cooper Memorial Organ, during which guests are invited to lie on the stage of Marian Anderson Hall to feel the vibrations of this historic instrument. This is a one-time opportunity during *Philadelphia Fall Arts Fest* – taking place at 1:00 PM – with other hall tours happening at 12:00 PM and 2:00 PM.

The Philadelphia Orchestra is commemorating its 125th anniversary this year and is inviting everyone to join the celebration. Members of the public are invited to record special anniversary messages and share their Orchestra memories in a special video booth that will be set up in Commonwealth Plaza at the Kimmel Center. The booth will be accessible during the *Philadelphia Fall Arts Fest* on September 13 and the Orchestra's Opening Weekend concerts October 3–5.

Curtain Call, the cafe and lounge space inside the Kimmel Center, will be open with special family-friendly food and beverage offerings, as well as Broadway- and Orchestra-themed cocktails and mocktails available for purchase.

WURD Radio will broadcast live from the Kimmel Center between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM.

Attendees will be treated to a special in-person flash sale offer: 50% off tickets to over 70 spectacular shows across the upcoming 2025-26 season. Valid on select price levels and select performances within each show's run, <u>performances included in the 50% off flash sale are listed below the day's schedule-of-events and participating organizations.</u>

The preliminary schedule for activities inside the Kimmel Center is as follows: Commonwealth Plaza Stage inside the Kimmel Center:

11:00 AM - The Philadelphia Orchestra String Quartet

11:30 AM – Opera Philadelphia

12:00 PM – The Philadelphia Independence Awards

12:30 PM – Performances from Broadway's *Kimberly Akimbo*, *Disney's Beauty and the Beast*, and *The Sound of Music*

1:05 PM - The Philly Pops

1:30 PM – Esperanza Arts Center

2:00 PM - Project 440

2:30 PM – Performances from Broadway's *Kimberly Akimbo, Disney's Beauty and the Beast,* and *The Sound of Music*

Perelman Theater Stage inside the Kimmel Center:

11:40 AM – Philadelphia Ballet

12:05 PM - BalletX

12:25 PM – Chocolate Ballerina Company

12:50 PM – Carne Viva Dance Theatre

1:05 PM – SHARP Dance Company

1:25 PM – Usiloquy

1:45 PM - Née Danse/Theatre

2:05 PM – Living Arts Dance

2:25 PM - International Ballet Exchange

2:45 PM - PHILADANCO!

Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center:

12:00 PM - Hall Tour

1:00 PM – Organ Demonstration featuring Fred J. Cooper Memorial Organ

2:00 PM - Hall Tour

The preliminary list of participating organizations is as follows:

- 1812 Productions
- American Guild of Organists (AGO), Philadelphia Chapter
- Arden Theatre Company
- Art Sphere, Inc.
- The Arts League
- Aurora Classical
- BalletX
- Caribbean Community in Philadelphia
- Carne Viva Dance Theatre
- The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia
- Chocolate Ballerina Company

- Choral Arts Philadelphia
- The Clay Studio
- Curtis Institute of Music
- East Passyunk Opera Project (ePOP)
- Esperanza Arts Center
- Georgia E. Gregory Interdenominational School of Music
- The Greater South Jersey Chorus
- InterAct Theatre Company
- International Ballet Exchange
- Jazz Bridge Project
- Keep Music Alive
- The Lady Hoofers Tap Ensemble
- Lansdowne Symphony Orchestra
- Lantern Theater Company
- Living Arts Dance
- Mosaic Society of Philadelphia
- Musicopia / Musicopia Dance
- Née Danse/Theatre
- Network for New Music
- Opera Philadelphia
- Penn Live Arts
- PHILADANCO!
- Philadelphia Ballet
- Philadelphia Chamber Music Society
- Philadelphia Film Society
- The Philadelphia Freedom Band
- The Philadelphia Independence Awards
- The Philadelphia Orchestra
- Philadelphia Scenic Works
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- Philadelphia Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts
- Philadelphia Youth Choral Ensembles
- Philadelphia Youth Orchestra Music Institute
- Philly Dance Share
- The Philly Pops
- Piffaro, the Renaissance Band
- The Primavera Fund
- The Print Center
- Project 440
- Project Moshen Dance Company
- Quintessence Theatre Group
- Ravensong
- Rock to the Future
- The Roxborough Orchestra
- Scribe Video Center
- Settlement Music School
- SHARP Dance Company
- Storybook Musical Theatre
- Temple Center for Performing and Cinematic Arts

- Temple Music Prep
- Theatre Ariel
- UNCF Philadelphia
- Usiloquy
- Variant Six
- The Wilma Theater

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Below is a chronological list of shows available as part of Ensemble Arts Philly's special, in-person flash sale offer.

- An Evening with Samin Nosrat (September 17, 2025, Miller Theater)
- *The Improvised Shakespeare Company* (select performance: September 19, 2025, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- MasterChef All-Stars Live! (September 25, 2025, Miller Theater)
- *iLuminate* (September 26, 2025, Miller Theater)
- SIX (select performances: September 30, October 1, 2, 3 & 5, 2025, Academy of Music)
- Marin Alsop and Yunchan Lim (select performance: October 3, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Orchestra After Five: Alpine Adventure (October 9, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Strauss's Alpine Symphony (October 10–11, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Dungeons & Dragons The Twenty-Sided Tavern (October 10–12, 2025, Miller Theater)
- Nate Smith (October 11, 2025, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- Esa-Pekka Salonen Conducts Bruckner (October 16–18, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- The Philadelphia Orchestra Presents Children's Halloween Spectacular (October 18, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Kimberly Akimbo (select performances: October 21–24 & 28–31, 2025, Academy of Music)
- Yannick Conducts Tchaikovsky (October 24–26, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Emanuel Ax Plays Beethoven (October 30–November 2, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- The Moth Mainstage (November 7, 2025, Miller Theater)
- The Four Seasons (November 7, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Tom Papa: *Grateful Bread Tour* (November 8, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Asi Wind: *More Than Magic* (November 8, 2025, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- Guenther Steiner: *Unfiltered LIVE* (November 13, 2025, Miller Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- Gary Gulman: *Grandiloquent* (November 14–15, 2025, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- Back to the Future The Musical (November 18–30, 2025, Academy of Music)
- Galilee Chamber Orchestra (November 19, 2025, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- Whitney Cummings: *Big Baby* (November 22, 2025, Miller Theater)
- The Jinkx & DeLa Holiday Show (November 29, 2025, Miller Theater)

- Yannick Leads Sibelius (November 29–30, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- PHILADANCO! *Then & Now* (select performances: December 5 & 6, 2025, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- Chamber Orchestra of Europe (December 10, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Blippi: Join the Band Tour (December 10, 2025, Miller Theater)
- Béla Fleck & The Flecktones: Jingle All The Way (December 12, 2025, Miller Theater)
- The Philadelphia Orchestra Presents The Glorious Sound of Christmas (December 18–20, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- The Philadelphia Orchestra Presents Children's Holiday Spectacular (December 20, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Cirque Dreams Holidaze (select performances: December 23, 26 & 27, 2025, Miller Theater)
- Suffs (select performances: January 6–8, 2026, Academy of Music)
- Mahler's Symphony No. 4 (January 9–11, 2025, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Orchestra After 5: Italian Getaway (January 15, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Mendelssohn's "Italian" Symphony (January 16–17, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Alfredo Rodriguez & Pedrito Martínez (January 22, 2026, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- Pictures from an Exhibition (January 22–24, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto (select performances: February 5 & 7, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Step Afrikal: *The Evolution Tour* (February 7, 2026, Miller Theater)
- The Philadelphia Orchestra Presents Peter and the Wolf (February 7, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Disney's Beauty and the Beast (select performances: February 11, 12, 17 & 18, 2026, Academy of Music)
- Pablo Sainz-Villegas (February 21, 2026, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- Kurt Elling: Wildflowers (February 27, 2026, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- Blue Man Group (select performances: February 24–March 1, 2026, Miller Theater)
- Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4 (February 26–28, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater (select performances: February 27–28 2026, Academy of Music)
- An Evening with Yotam Ottolenghi (March 2, 2026, Miller Theater)
- Liszt's Piano Fireworks (March 12 & 14, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- The Philadelphia Orchestra Presents The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra (March 14, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Spotlight: Víkingur Ólafsson (March 19, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Emmet Cohen: Miles and Coltrane at 100 (March 20, 2026, Miller Theater)
- Sh!t-faced Shakespeare (March 20–21, 2026, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- Endea Owens & The Cookout (March 28, 2026, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)

- The Sound of Music (select performances: March 31 & April 1, 2026, Academy of Music)
- Peppa Pig: My First Concert (April 4, 2026, Miller Theater)
- PHILADANCO! *EXPLOSIVE: Bold New Works on the Rise* (select performances: April 17 & 18, 2026, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center)
- Christian McBride & Edgar Meyer (April 21, 2026, Miller Theater)
- Dog Man: The Musical (April 25–26, 2026, Miller Theater)
- Copland's American Inspiration (April 30–May 2, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- The Philadelphia Orchestra Presents Hip-Hop Orchestra (May 2, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Rhiannon Giddens (May 5, 2026, Miller Theater)
- Musician's Choice (May 7–9, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Orchestra After 5: Postcards from Spain (May 14, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center)
- Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis (May 26, 2026, Marian Anderson Hall inside the Kimmel Center).

Performances from Philadelphia Ballet, Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, and the Curtis Institute of Music will also be included in the flash sale. Sales will be conducted in the Comcast Center, located on Tier 1 of the Kimmel Center building. The main box office, located at the Academy of Music (240 S. Broad Street) will be open for regular ticket purchases.

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