

2026-27

# SEASON AT A GLANCE



**PHILADELPHIA / ORCHESTRA**

Yannick Nézet-Séguin · Music & Artistic Director



## WORLD PREMIERES

### Leonard Bernstein/arr. Garth Edwin Sunderland

Symphonic Rituals from MASS  
Philadelphia Orchestra commission  
Yannick Nézet-Séguin Conductor  
September 25-27, 2026

### Austin Fisher

*The Party* (with film by Alex Da Corte)  
Philadelphia Orchestra commission  
Marin Alsop Conductor  
February 25-27, 2027

### Joe Hisaishi

Piano Concerto  
Philadelphia Orchestra commission  
Joe Hisaishi Conductor  
Alice Sara Ott Piano—Philadelphia Orchestra debut  
March 5-7, 2027

### Reena Esmail

Concerto for Orchestra  
Philadelphia Orchestra co-commission  
Yannick Nézet-Séguin Conductor  
May 27-29, 2027

### Florence Price/orch. Valerie Coleman (world premiere of orchestration)

“Rainbow Waltz”  
Philadelphia Orchestra commission  
Yannick Nézet-Séguin Conductor  
June 3, 5-6, 2027

## UNITED STATES PREMIERE

### Joe Hisaishi

*Orbis*  
Yannick Nézet-Séguin Conductor  
September 24, 2026



Yannick Nézet-Séguin,  
Music and Artistic Director



Marin Alsop,  
Principal Guest Conductor



Joe Hisaishi,  
Composer-in-Residence



## FIRST PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA PERFORMANCES

Anna Meredith	<i>Nautilus</i> (October 9–10, 2026)
Gabriela Ortiz	<i>Clara</i> (October 22–25, 2026)
Johann Sebastian Bach	<i>Christmas Oratorio</i> (December 12–13, 2026) (first complete performances)
Unsuk Chin	<i>subito con forza</i> (January 15–16, 2027)
William Grant Still	Symphony No. 3 (“The Sunday Symphony”) (February 5–7, 2027)
Joe Hisaishi	Concerto for Orchestra (March 5–7, 2027)
Richard Wagner	<i>Lohengrin</i> (April 11 and 18, 2027) (first complete performances)
Josephine Weinlich	“Sirens Songs” Polka-Mazurka (April 15–17, 2027)
Erkki-Sven Tüür	<i>Aditus</i> (April 23–25, 2027)
Christopher Rouse	<i>Rapture</i> (April 29–May 1, 2027)
John Williams	Piano Concerto (April 29–May 1, 2027)
Caroline Shaw	<i>The Observatory</i> (June 3, 5–6, 2027)

## YANNICK LEADS LARGE-SCALE MASTERPIECES

Beethoven	Symphony No. 9 (“Choral”) (September 24, 2026)
Bernstein/arr. Sunderland	Symphonic Rituals from MASS (September 25–27, 2026)
Mahler	Symphony No. 5 (October 1–3, 2026)
Orff	<i>Carmina burana</i> (October 22–25, 2026)
Holst	<i>The Planets</i> (March 13, 2027)
Mahler	Symphony No. 7 (April 1, 3, and 9, 2027)
Wagner	<i>Lohengrin</i> (April 11 and 18, 2027)
Mahler	Symphony No. 3 (May 15, 2027)
Mahler	Symphony No. 1 (June 3, 5–6, 2027)



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## ORCHESTRA AFTER 5

FALL (October 8, 2026)

Dalia Stasevska Conductor

Gil Shaham Violin

Saint-Saëns Violin Concerto No. 3

Respighi *Pines of Rome*

WINTER (January 14, 2027)

Nikolaj Szeps-Znaider Conductor and Violin

Mozart Violin Concerto No. 2

Schumann Symphony No. 3 (“Rhenish”)

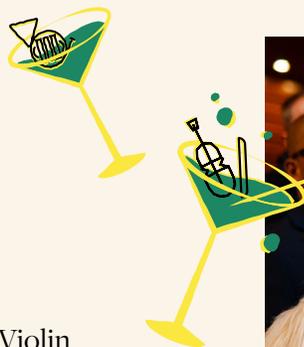
SPRING (May 13, 2027)

Daniele Rustioni Conductor

Pablo Sáinz-Villegas Guitar

Rodrigo *Fantasia para un gentilhombre*,  
for guitar and orchestra

Stravinsky Suite from *Pulcinella*



## 21ST-CENTURY VOICES

Julia Wolfe

*Liberty Bell* (October 1–3, 2026)

Anna Meredith

*Nautilus* (October 9–10, 2026)

Gabriela Ortiz

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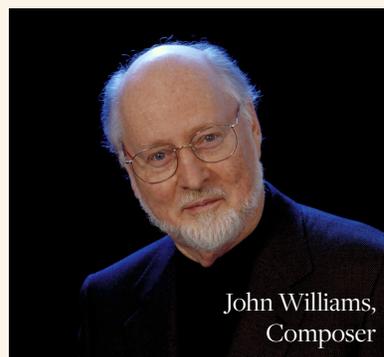
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Composer



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## FILMS

**Williams** *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban*<sup>™</sup> (October 16–18, 2026)

**Williams** *Star Wars: A New Hope* (January 21–23, 2027)



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## BRODSKY STAR SPOTLIGHT SERIES

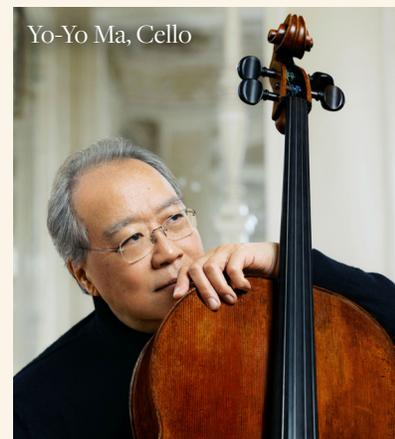
*The biggest stars take center stage in this recital series*

Yo-Yo Ma and Emanuel Ax (December 6, 2026)

Yuja Wang (April 2, 2027)

Itzhak Perlman and Friends (May 2, 2027)  
*Featuring Emanuel Ax, Jean-Yves Thibaudet, and the Juilliard Quartet*

The Philadelphia Orchestra does not perform on the Brodsky Star Spotlight Series.



Yo-Yo Ma, Cello



Emanuel Ax, Piano

## HOLIDAYS

Handel's Messiah (December 4–5, 2026)

Bach's Christmas Oratorio (December 12–13, 2026)

The Glorious Sound of Christmas<sup>®</sup> (December 18–20, 2026)

New Year's Eve Celebration (December 31, 2026)





## CONDUCTORS

Marin Alsop

Jane Glover

Damon Gupton

Joe Hisaishi

Paavo Järvi

Bernard Labadie

Fabio Luisi

Anthony Parnter

Simon Rattle

Daniele Rustioni

Esa-Pekka Salonen

Dima Slobodeniouk\*

Dalia Stasevska

Nikolaj Szeps-Znaider

## SOLOISTS

Emanuel Ax Piano

Stanislas de Barbeyrac Tenor\*

J'Nai Bridges Mezzo-Soprano\*\*

Yefim Bronfman Piano

Janai Brugger Soprano

Karen Cargill Mezzo-Soprano

Choong-Jin Chang Viola

Seong-Jin Cho Piano

Iestyn Davies Countertenor\*

Neal Davies Bass-Baritone

Christophe Dumaux Countertenor

Pablo Farrández Cello\*

Andrzej Filonczyk Bass\*

Ryan Speedo Green Bass-Baritone

Andrew Haji Tenor\*

Joëlle Harvey Soprano

Leah Hawkins Soprano

Elza van den Heever Soprano

Jonah Hoskins Tenor\*

Soloman Howard Bass\*

Juliette Kang Violin

Alexandre Kantorow Piano\*

Yunchan Lim Piano

Will Liverman Baritone\*

Brian Mulligan Baritone

Rebecca Nash Soprano\*

Alice Sara Ott Piano\*

Jonghyun Park Tenor

Pablo Sáinz-Villegas Guitar\*\*

Carolyn Sampson Soprano

Issachah Savage Tenor

Gil Shaham Violin

Arabella Steinbacher Violin

Nikolaj Szeps-Znaider Violin

Philippe Tondre Oboe

Daniil Trifonov Piano

Yuja Wang Piano

## CHOIRS

Commonwealth Youth Choir

Mendelssohn Chorus of Philadelphia

Philadelphia Boys Choir

Philadelphia Girls Choir

Philadelphia Symphonic Choir



Yuja Wang, Piano



Simon Rattle, Conductor



Leah Hawkins, Soprano

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