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CELEBRATE PRIDE!
INAUGURAL NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC PRIDE CONCERT
**Conducted by Ted Sperling and Featuring Vocalists Jenn Colella,
Noah J. Ricketts, and the New York City Gay Men's Chorus**

June 16, 2026
Wu Tsai Theater, David Geffen Hall

The New York Philharmonic joins the international celebration of LGBTQ+ Pride Month with ***Celebrate Pride!*** on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at the Wu Tsai Theater, David Geffen Hall. Ted Sperling conducts a program featuring music by iconic composers, including members of the LGBTQ+ community, ranging from Bernstein to Caroline Shaw and luminaries of Broadway and the American songbook. Joining the Orchestra are vocalists Jenn Colella, Noah J. Ricketts (in his New York Philharmonic debut), and the New York City Gay Men's Chorus, directed by John J. Atorino.

The inaugural New York Philharmonic *Celebrate Pride!* concert — which will be held annually, including next year, on June 26, 2027, conducted by Marin Alsop — reflects the Orchestra's ongoing commitment to inclusion; solidarity with LGBTQ+ communities, which has also included the establishment of the [New York Philharmonic Pride Alliance](#) in 2024; and deepening engagement with the diverse cultural tapestry of New York City.

Biographies

[Jenn Colella](#), [Noah J. Ricketts](#), [Ted Sperling](#), [New York City Gay Men's Chorus](#),
[New York Philharmonic](#)

Tickets

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For press tickets, contact Lanore Carr at (212) 875-5714 or carrl@nyphil.org.

Event Listing

CELEBRATE PRIDE!

Wu Tsai Theater, David Geffen Hall at Lincoln Center

Tuesday, June 16, 2026, 7:30 p.m.

Ted Sperling, conductor

Jenn Colella, vocalist

Noah J. Ricketts*, vocalist

New York City Gay Men's Chorus

John J. Atorino, artistic director

Program to include music by iconic composers, including members of the LGBTQ+ community, ranging from Bernstein to Caroline Shaw and luminaries of Broadway and the American songbook

**New York Philharmonic debut*

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