# FORT WAYNE PHILHARMONIC

Andrew Constantine, Music Director

2022-2023 Season

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#### Dear Friends:

I invite you to share a journey with me and your Fort Wayne Philharmonic as we take you on a musical exploration through genres and places around the world. The 2022-23 season is filled with adventuresome music where fates and destinies often coincide but always hang in the air.

Time-honored masterpieces and contemporary greats by Stravinsky, Tchaikovsky, Beethoven, Prokofiev, Copland, and Gershwin fill the season. You will not want to miss the larger-than-life performance of *Carmina Burana*. World renowned pianist, Yefim Bronfman takes on the lush melodies and daunting challenges of Rachmaninoff. We debut a new piece by locally born composer Patrick O'Malley and introduce contemporary composer, Anna Clyne. We will also take you to South America with performances of Latin themed works by Ginastera, JP Jofre and Piazzolla featuring the unique accordion-like instrument – the bandoneon. The season wraps up in Paris with an evening dominated by the genius of Gershwin.

The Pops Series will be loaded with everything from heroes to classics. We open the season performing "Superhero Soundtrack," then make holiday memories with Fort Wayne's favorite tradition, our Holiday Pops. Ann Hampton Callaway will give tribute to the *Streisand Songbook*, and we'll hear the group "Go Now" honor the great rock tunes of the Moody Blues. And finally, I am excited to wrap up the Series conducting *Classic Broadway* with Broadway greats and dear friends, Doug LaBrecque and Lisa Vroman.

Elsewhere, fun Family and Chamber Orchestra concerts round out the season and our Freimann chamber music series will celebrate the works of women composers with a captivating mix of repertory.

Thank you for supporting world-class music and your talented Fort Wayne Philharmonic musicians. These amazing programs would not be possible without your unwavering support. The Fort Wayne Philharmonic is so fortunate to have the power of this tremendous community behind it. This year, you can support in more ways than one. Choose to give a gift today with your subscription renewal and join me for a Director's Toast event on May 14, 2022.

We look forward to going with you on this amazing ride this Season.

Sincerely,

Andrew Constantine
Music Director

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The Paul Yergens and Virginia Yergens Rogers Foundation Masterworks Series

### **OPENING NIGHT: FIREBIRD**

### October 8, 2022 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre Andrew Constantine, conductor

Paul Huang, violin

Verdi—Overture to *La forza del destino* Stravinsky—Suite from *The Firebird* Tchaikovsky—Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 35

Verdi, Stravinsky and Tchaikovsky will ignite the Philharmonic's Season opener from the rousing force of destiny to the melodies of the *Firebird Suite* influenced by Russian folk songs and ending with one of the best-known violin concertos composed by Tchaikovsky. Paul Huang's highly anticipated return to Fort Wayne will astonish with Russian fireworks as he performs in his unique, dazzling style.

### **CARMINA BURANA**

### October 29, 2022 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre Andrew Constantine, conductor

Brett Deubner, viola Fort Wayne Philharmonic Chorus Purdue Fort Wayne Chorus Fort Wayne Children's Choir Soloists

Bernstein—Three Dance Episodes from *On the Town*O'Malley—Viola Concerto (World Premiere)
Orff—Carmina Burana

This raucous evening will take you on a wild ride, from the musical that launched Bernstein's career to a world premiere composed by Fort Wayne native Patrick O'Malley, commissioned by the Philharmonic, and performed by violist Brett Deubner. Then, with its large, percussion-driven orchestra and mixed chorus that sings racy texts by wayward monks, *Carmina Burana* celebrates the joys of the tavern, nature, humor, and love.

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### **POWER & PASSION WITH HIGDON & RACHMANINOFF**

### January 28, 2023 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre Andrew Constantine, conductor

Yefim Bronfman, piano

Higdon—Concerto for Orchestra
Rachmaninoff—Piano Concerto No. 3 in D minor



A powerful evening is in store with Grammy award winner Jennifer Higdon's *Concerto for Orchestra* which opens the concert. A demanding showpiece that emphasizes the orchestra's talents, the *Concerto* is bristling with energy and vigour. Yefim Bronfman, the featured artist on the Robert, Carrie, and Bobbie Steck Family Foundation Great Performers Series will take the stage on the second half performing Rachmaninoff's lush *Third Piano Concerto*. Bronfman, considered one of the greatest pianists of our time, will deliver a musical feast for your ears.

### CONDUCTOR'S CHOICE: ELGAR AND BEETHOVEN

### February 18, 2023 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre Andrew Constantine, conductor

Vadim Gluzman, violin

Elgar—Falstaff, Op. 68 Beethoven—Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 61

Music Director, Andrew Constantine brings you two of his favorite pieces. The evening starts off with a cast of characters decked out in Shakespearean period costumes to bring the story of "Falstaff" to life through Elgar's symphonic study of the work. Then, Vadim Gluzman, performing with the Philharmonic for the first time, will perform Beethoven's only violin concerto—and thought to be the greatest violin concerto of all time.

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### THIS MIDNIGHT HOUR

### March 11, 2023 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre Andrew Constantine, conductor

Orli Shaham, piano

Anna Clyne—This Midnight Hour Ravel—Piano Concerto in G major Copland—Symphony No. 3

This Midnight Hour takes you on a visual journey by London-born composer, Anna Clyne. Returning to Fort Wayne, the renowned pianist Orli Shaham will perform Ravel's entertaining piano concerto which shows off his whimsical style and jazz influences from the 1920's. Constantine will finish off the evening with his first ever conducting of American composer, Aaron Copland's Symphony No. 3. which includes the familiar "Fanfare for a Common Man," music relatable to us all.

### VIOLINS AND BANDONEONS - LATIN THEMES

### April 1, 2023 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre James Judd. conductor

Violetta Todorova, violin JP Jofre, bandoneon Fort Wayne Ballet

Ginastera—Four Dances, Op. 8a from Estancia
JP Jofre—Double Concerto for Violin and Bandoneon No. 2
Piazzolla—Aconcagua, Concerto for Bandoneon
De Falla—Suite No. 2 from El sombrero de tres picos
(Three-Cornered Hat)

Join us on a journey as we explore the exciting sounds of music from South America and Spain. The Fort Wayne Ballet will bring Ginastera's Four Dances to life setting the stage for JP Jofre to perform on the bandoneon, the accordion-like instrument from South America. Concertmaster Violetta Todorova will accompany Jofre in his own concerto and then Jofre will take the stage alone showcasing Piazzolla's Aconcagua. The Ballet will conclude the concert dancing to Spanish composer Manuel De Falla in the Three-Cornered Hat.

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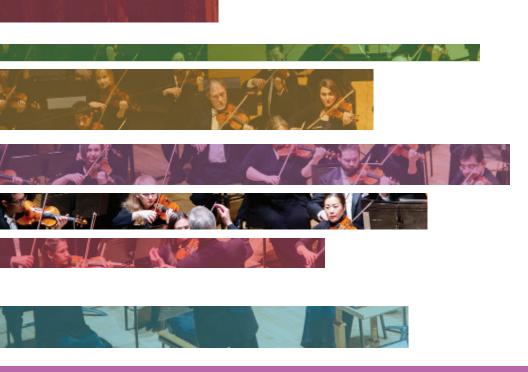
# GERSHWIN'S RHAPSODY IN BLUE

### May 13, 2023 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre Andrew Constantine, conductor

Ilya Yakushev, piano

Prokofiev—Symphony No. 7 Gershwin—Rhapsody in Blue Gershwin—An American in Paris

The Philharmonic closes out the season with an electric evening of Prokofiev and Gershwin. Russian pianist, Ilya Yakushev delivers all the sounds, rhythms, and harmonies that Gershwin's ever popular *Rhapsody in Blue* requires. The evening ends with the sweeping melodies of Gershwin's *An American in Paris*.



### SUPERHERO SOUNDTRACK

### November 5, 2022 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre Stuart Chafetz, conductor

Guest conductor, Stuart Chafetz, heroically kicks the Pops Season off with some of the most memorable superhero themes from films like *The Avengers*, Superman, Batman, Wonder Woman, Spider-Man, Man of Steel, The Incredibles, Supergirl, and X-Men: The Last Stand!

### **HOLIDAY POPS**

December 9, 2022 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre (other dates: December 10, 17, & 18)
Caleb Young, conductor

A performance filled with your favorite holiday music, a traditional carol singalong, dancing, the Hallelujah Chorus, and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus. Pull out your favorite Christmas sweater and celebrate the cherished memories and popular culture of Christmas with the Fort Wayne Philharmonic.

### ANN HAMPTON CALLAWAY SINGS THE STREISAND SONGBOOK

#### February 4, 2023 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre Andrew Constantine, conductor

Platinum award-winning singer-songwriter Ann Hampton Callaway sings timeless classics from five decades of Barbra Streisand's multi-faceted career. The Tony-nominated actress puts her own unique pop/jazz spin on unforgettable songs from Barbra's Broadway years to her film and pop album works. Enjoy a concert celebrating the extraordinary career of Barbra Streisand with incredible songs such as Marvin Hamlisch's "The Way We Were," "People," "Don't Rain on My Parade" and more.

#### "GO NOW" MUSIC OF THE MOODY BLUES

### March 4, 2023 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre Michael Krajewski, conductor

Drummer, Gordy Marshall who played with The Moody Blues for twenty-five years and Mick Wilson present a super-group of world class musicians, who meticulously recreate the magnificence of a Moody Blues concert live with symphony orchestra conducted by Michael Krajewski. All the classic hits are celebrated, including "Nights in White Satin," "Go Now," "Tuesday Afternoon," "I Know You're Out There Somewhere," "The Story In Your Eyes and The Voice," and more.

#### CONSTANTINE CONDUCTS CLASSIC BROADWAY

### May 6, 2023 | 7:30PM | Embassy Theatre Andrew Constantine, conductor

Lisa Vroman, vocalist Doug LaBrecque, vocalist

Music Director Andrew Constantine concludes the Pops season with an extraordinary evening revisiting classic songs from Broadway's Golden Age and beyond. The most popular tunes from Porter, Gershwin, Berlin, Hamlisch, Lloyd Webber and more are sung by *Phantom of the Opera* stars Lisa Vroman and Doug LaBrecque. With unforgettable melodies and beautiful lyrics, their incredible vocal talents make this an elegant evening of beloved songs you will always remember.



### **MATINEE Series**

Subscribe to the Matinee Series for \$75 per person

Enjoy a light afternoon concert as the conductor leads you through colorful commentary about the pieces. These shortened performances will be approximately an hour long and include excerpts from the evening's concert and insights about the repertoire from the conductor.

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### **FREIMANN**

Brotherhood Mutual Series

The Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Company Freimann Series offers audiences chamber music classics up close and personal. Experience highly intimate music-making at its best. This series programed by the Philharmonic musicians will showcase female composers and include works from Louise Farrenc, Fanny Mendelssohn, Clara Schumann and Amy Beach.

#### **Louise Farrenc - Piano Quintet**

Wed. Oct. 19, 2022 | 7:30PM | History Center Sun. Oct. 23, 2022 | 2:00PM | PFW

Louise Farrenc — Piano Quintet No. 1 in A minor, Op. 30

### Freimann Quartet Plays Fanny Mendelssohn

Wed. Feb. 8, 2023 | 7:30PM | History Center Sun. Feb. 12, 2023 | 2:00PM | PFW

Fanny Mendelssohn—String Quartet in Eb

#### Clara Schumann - Piano Trio

Wed. March 15, 2023 | 7:30PM | History Center Sun. March 19, 2023 | 2:00PM | PFW

Clara Schumann—Piano Trio in G minor, Op. 17

### **Amy Beach - Flute and String Quartet**

Wed. April 19, 2023 | 7:30PM | History Center Sun. April 23, 2023 | 2:00PM | PFW

Amy Beach—Theme and Variations for Flute and String Quartet, Op. 80

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Holiday Pops - December 9-18, 2022

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Bach in the Barn - April 13-15, 2023

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