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WELCOME TO THE 2014-15 BPO SEASON!

As music director of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, I am proud to be writing the next chapter in the story of this orchestra that has served the community for more than 75 years. In this guide to the 2014-15 season, you'll find all of the information you need to enjoy each concert experience to the fullest.

The thriving cultural scene adds vitality to life in Western New York. The Buffalo Philharmonic has always been a cornerstone of the cultural community, and this season, we celebrate the relationship between music, art, literature and theater. The Irish Classical Theatre Company and LehrerDance will join us onstage for Molière's comedy Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme. The popular Know The Score series kicks off with a performance of Bartok's one-act opera Bluebeard's Castle, with a breathtaking set designed by glass artist Dale Chihuly. In April, all of Western New York will explore the music of Charles Ives together, through the BPO's concerts, and through programs at the University at Buffalo, Burchfield Penney and the Buffalo and Erie County Public Libraries.

We will tell many other stories at Kleinhans this season, from the tales of Anthony and Cleopatra and The Sorcerer's Apprentice to the life stories of Beethoven and Rachmaninoff to the history of rock and roll and the evolution of Broadway musicals. Our youngest audiences will experience their favorite Disney and Dr. Seuss stories told through music.

We invite you to come to Kleinhans this season to see how the stories unfold!



History of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra

As Buffalo's cultural ambassador, the Grammy Award-winning Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra under Music Director JoAnn Falletta presents more than 120 Classics, Pops, Rock and Youth Concerts each year.

The BPO has toured widely across the United States, Europe and Canada, including 24 Carnegie Hall performances, most recently as a participant in the prestigious *Spring for Music* festival in May 2013. In February 2014, a five-city tour of Florida garnered critical acclaim.

The BPO was founded in 1935. Before Kleinhans was built, the orchestra performed most often at the Elmwood Music Hall, located at Elmwood Ave. and Virginia St., and demolished in 1938. During the Great Depression, the BPO was supported by funds from the Works Progress Administration and the Emergency Relief Bureau.

Over the decades, the orchestra has matured in stature under the batons of some of the leading stars of the podium. William Steinberg, Josef Krips, Lukas Foss, Michael Tilson Thomas, Maximiano Valdes, Semyon Bychkov and Julius Rudel are among the luminaries who have served as music directors of the Buffalo Philharmonic. The orchestra has welcomed many notable guest performers and conductors, including Isaac Stern, Aaron Copland, Van Cliburn, Sergei Rachmaninoff and Igor Stravinsky.

Highlights of the BPO's history include making the world premiere recording of Shostakovich's Symphony No. 7 "Leningrad" in 1946. In 1964 and 1965, they toured as the Boston Pops under the baton of Arthur Fiedler. In 1977, the BPO's music was used in the soundtrack for Woody Allen's film *Manhattan*. 1988 saw the BPO's first European tour, with stops in Vienna, Frankfurt, Geneva, and Milan. In 2008, the BPO's recording of John Corigliano's "Mr. Tambourine Man: Seven Poems of Bob Dylan," won Grammys in two categories of the three for which it was nominated: Classical Vocal Performance and Classical Contemporary Composition.



About Kleinhans Music Hall

Since 1940, the orchestra's home has been Kleinhans Music Hall, a National Historic Landmark with an international reputation as one of the finest concert halls in the United States. Kleinhans is considered one of the most acoustically perfect halls in the world.

Kleinhans Music Hall was built thanks to the generosity and vision of Edward and Mary Seaton Kleinhans and the stewardship of their charitable dreams by the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo. The Community Foundation was bequeathed the estates of Mr. and Mrs. Kleinhans, who made their fortune from the clothing store that bore their name, and who died within three months of each other in 1934.

The couple specified that their money was to be used "to erect a suitable music hall...for the use, enjoyment and benefit of the people of the City of Buffalo." The BPO performed at Kleinhans Music Hall's official opening on Oct. 12, 1940.

Kleinhans Music Hall was designed by the Finnish father-and-son team of Eliel and Eero Saarinen, along with architects F.J. and W.A. Kidd. The hall's design resembles the body of a string instrument, as does the main auditorium. Eliel Saarinen's aim was to create "an architectural atmosphere...so as to tune the performers and the public alike into a proper mood of performance and receptiveness, respectively." In 1989, the hall was designated a National Historic Landmark, the highest designation of significance a site or structure can receive.



Get to know your BPO

- BPO musicians hail from Russia,
 Poland, Canada, Taiwan, China and all over the United States.
 In 225 cities across the US,
 BPO concerts are aired via American Public Radio's
- The BPO supports 100 full-time and 300 part-time jobs with a combined payroll of \$7.7 million.
- The Buffalo Philharmonic
 Orchestra has an annual operating budget of \$11 million, 92 percent of which is recycled in Western New York.
- Each year, the BPO brings the winner of the Sphinx Competition to Buffalo for a youth concert. The competition encourages excellence among teenaged black and Latino string players.
- The BPO has begun a Teaching Artists Program, bringing BPO musicians into classrooms across Western New York. The BPO reaches more than 40,000 students through

- In 225 cities across the US, BPO concerts are aired via American Public Radio's program, *Performance Today*. They reach millions of listeners, raising Buffalo's profile nationwide. You can access them at performancetoday. publicradio.org You can also hear Your BPO on Classical 94.5 WNED's *Philharmonic Fridays*.
- Kleinhans Music Hall is one of only 10 structures in Erie County to have National Historic Landmark status. It was recently featured in BBC Magazine's "Concert Halls of America" series. Its designers, Finnish architects Eliel and Eero Saarinen, also designed the St. Louis Gateway Arch and the TWA terminal at New York City's JFK airport.



The BPO has something for every listener.

M&T Bank CLASSICS

The power of classical music.

The BPO presents music on a grand scale from Mozart and Beethoven to Shostakovich, Gershwin, and Bernstein. Connections between Buffalo's rich arts and cultural community abound.



Big Band to Broadway.

If you love popular music, the stars shine bright at Kleinhans when outstanding guest artists join the world-class musicians of Your BPO.

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Want to learn more about the story behind the music?

These casual evenings start earlier and combine music with visuals, special guests and dialogue, so you get an in-depth look at the music and the composers who created it.

End the night with a post-concert party to meet the musicians and continue the conversation.

kids take over Kleinhans for six Sunday afternoons.

Music fans of all ages, and especially elementary age kids, will love concerts created just for them. Pre-concert activities make this a perfect, and very affordable, outing for the whole family.



Love Classic Rock?

Imagine your favorite artists and music in a live rock show, backed by Your BPO!



Season packages are still available and on sale now!

First-time subscribers to the Classics and Pops save up to 50% off single ticket prices.

Excellent seats are still available.

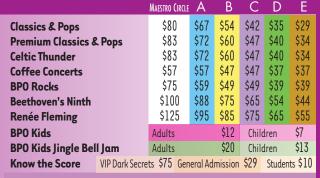
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NOTE: No exchanges for: An Evening with Renée Fleming, Celtic Thunder, Rite of Spring, BPO at Shea's, Earshot Composer Workshop, Side-by-Side Events, BPO Nation or any Non-BPO Events

Seating sections subject to change based on event

Please visit BPO.org or call the Box Office for specific seat information

Ticket Sales Information

BOX OFFICE The BPO Box Office is located inside Kleinhans Music Hall, at the Porter Ave. entrance. The Box Office is open Monday through Friday from 9AM to 6PM and Saturdays from 9AM to 1PM. For Saturdays with events, the Box Office is open until the intermission. For Sundays with events, the Box Office is open from noon until the intermission. These hours are subject to change. Please call (716) 885-5000 for the most up-to-date information.

ONLINE Visit www.bpo.org to order tickets using Mastercard, Visa, American Express or Discover. Online ticket orders made one week or more in advance of an event will be mailed to the specified address. Tickets ordered the week of the event will be held at Will Call, located on the Porter Ave. side of Kleinhans.

BY PHONE Tickets may be purchased by phone with Mastercard, Visa, American Express or Discover. Call (716) 885-5000.

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GIFT CERTIFICATES The BPO offers gift certificates valid towards tickets, subscriptions, CDs and more! Gift certificates can be ordered in any amount, and they never expire. Call the Box Office at (716) 885-5000 or come to Kleinhans to order.

STUDENT TICKETS Season passes are available for just \$29 and can be used for most Classics concerts. Some exclusions apply. Student tickets are also available for many single events; review the schedule and call the Box Office or stop by to order. A valid student identification card is required to purchase or pick up the ticket, and there is a limit of one ticket per card user. If you are a high school student, check out our Symphony Scholars program. Take a look at the education section at bpo.org for complete details.

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SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER



Sat. Sept. 13, 8PM
M&T BANK CLASSICS

AN EVENING WITH RENÉE FLEMING

OPENING NIGHT GALA SPONSORED BY THE LOUIS P. CIMINELLI FAMILY FOUNDATION JOANN Falletta. conductor

From the Super Bowl to Buffalo – don't miss your chance to hear this incredible artist. For more information on the Gala dinner celebration or table sponsorship benefits, call (716) 242-7825.

Fri. Sept. 19, 7PM

CELEBRATE OUR HISPANIC HERITAGE WITH THE BPO

FEATURING THE CAS RODRIGUEZ, JR. BAND

Stefan Sanders, conductor
This free event does require
a ticket. Sponsored by the
Hispanic Heritage Council.



Sat. Sept. 27, 8PM

MATTHEW MORRISON

John Morris Russell, conductor
This Emmy, Tony and Golden
Globe nominated song and dance
man got his start on Broadway
in Hairspray, The Light in the
Piazza, South Pacific and more.
Now he stars as the perpetually
optimistic high school teacher
Will Schuester on TV's Glee.
Don't miss his BPO debut!

Wed. Oct. 1, 7PM KNOW THE SCORE

DARK SECRETS: BLUEBEARD AND CHIHULY

JoAnn Falletta, conductor Michelle DeYoung, mezzo-soprano Charles Robert Austin, baritone Renowned artist Dale Chihuly's sculptures add a dramatic visual element when JoAnn Falletta leads the BPO in Bela Bartók's one act opera, Bluebeard's Castle. This psychological thriller is based on a folk legend about the mysterious nobleman and his new wife. Ask about the \$75 VIP package! See glass-blowing demonstrations with Corning Museum of Glass, and an exhibit of glasswork by local glass artists and area students.

First time Classics and Pops subscribers save up to 50% off single ticket prices.

Fri. Oct. 10, 10:30AM Sat. Oct. 11, 8PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

RACHMANINOFF FESTIVAL A NIGHT OF RACH

JoAnn Falletta*, conductor* Fabio Bidini, *piano*

The Sea and the Seagull
Piano Concerto No. 4 in G minor
Symphony No. 2 in E minor

Sat. Oct. 18, 8PM Sun. Oct. 19, 2:30PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

RACHMANINOFF FESTIVAL RUSSIAN SPLENDOR

JoAnn Falletta, conductor Gabriela Martinez, piano Rebecca Nash, soprano Charles Reid, tenor Darren Stokes, baritone Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus

The Isle of the Dead Piano Concerto No. 1 in F-sharp minor The Bells Fri. Oct. 24, 10:30AM Sat. Oct. 25, 8PM BPO POPS BPO ROCKS

THE HIT MEN FEATURING FORMER STARS OF FRANKIE VALLI & THE FOUR SEASONS

Stuart Chafetz, conductor
You loved Tommy James and the
Shondells. Carly Simon. Cat Stevens.
Relive the glory days of rock and roll
featuring your favorite songs from
Sherry to You're So Vain, Peace Train
and more. You'll leave Kleinhans
saying "Oh, What a Night!"



Sun. Oct. 26, 2:30PM BPO KIDS

Symphonic Spooktacular

Stefan Sanders, conductor
Wear your Halloween costume
and get ready for some of the
spookiest music ever written.
Starting at 1:30PM visit the
Instrument Zoo, B is for Books
and Tutor Doctor, plus meet som
of your favorite cartoon characters
Don't miss the costume parade
for a howling good time!





Fri. Oct. 31, 10:30AM Sat. Nov. 1, 8PM Sun. Nov. 2, 2:30PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

STRAUSS AND MOLIÈRE Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme

JoAnn Falletta, conductor
Fortunato Pezzimenti, director
Starring Vincent O'Neill
Incidental music by Richard Strauss
sets the stage for Irish Classical
Theatre and LehrerDance to
join the BPO for this semi-staged
production of one of Molière's
most successful comedies.

Fri. Nov. 7, 8PM

MUSIC OF LED ZEPPELIN

Brent Havens, conductor

It's the return of one of our most popular rock shows, featuring the astounding vocals of Randy Jackson, a tremendous rock band, and Your BPO to create the ultimate classics rock show.



Sat. Nov. 8, 8PM

GLORIOUS GERSHWIN

Matt Catingub, conductor Kevin Cole, piano

Pops phenomenon Matt Catingub conducts, sings, and plays in this program featuring Gershwin standards, newly discovered material, and orchestral works like *Rhapsody in Blue*. America's foremost Gershwin interpreter, pianist Kevin Cole, joins Catingub for this evening of electrifying music, along with songstress Anita Hall and the SUNY Fredonia jazz band.

Fri. Nov. 14, 10:30AM Sat. Nov. 15, 8PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

MAX RETURNS

Maximiano Valdés, conductor Tai Murray, violin

GINASTERA Pampeana No. 3
LALO Symphonie Espagnole
FRANCK Symphony in D minor



Fri. Nov. 21, 7:30PM

THE RITE OF SPRING WITH RICHMOND BALLET

JoAnn Falletta, conductor Stoner Winslett, artistic director Center for the Arts-University at Buffalo Join Your BPO to celebrate the 20th anniversary of UB Center for the Arts. The program will open with Mozart's Magic Flute Overture and also include Tchaikovsky's Mozartiana with Balanchine's famous choreography. This performance of Igor Stravinsky's enduring and influential masterwork is part of the M&T Bank Dance Series, and is sponsored in part by UB University Life and Services. For tickets, call (716) 645-2787 or visit www.ubcfa.org for more details



Sat. Nov. 22, 8PM
BPO POPS | BPO ROCKS

A TRIBUTE TO NEIL DIAMOND WITH JAY WHITE

Brodley Thochuk, conductor Las Vegas headliner Jay White captures Diamond's essence and charismatic stage presence in this fun night out.



Sat. Nov. 29, 7PM Sun. Nov. 30, 2PM

THE NUTCRACKER BALLET AT SHEA'S

Stefan Sanders, conductor Sergio Neglia, founder & artistic director For tickets: visit www.sheas.org or call 1(800)745-3000.

Tues. Dec. 2, 7:30PM
WILLIAM E. SWAN AUDITORIUM

HOLIDAY CONCERT AT HILBERT COLLEGE

Paul Ferington, conductor

Sat. Dec. 6, 8PM Sun. Dec. 7, 2:30PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

LUDWIG PLAYS SIBELIUS

JoAnn Falletta, conductor Michael Ludwig, violin Anna Mattix, English horn

SIBELIUS SIBELIUS SIBELIUS MENDELSSOHN The Bard, Op. 64
The Swan of Tuonela
Violin Concerto in D minor
Symphony No. 3
in A minor, "Scottish"

Tues. Dec. 9, 8PM STUART STEINER AUDITORIUM

GENESEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Paul Ferington, conductor Genesee Community College Foundation Encore 2014 Holiday Gala. For tickets to this fundraising event, call the foundation at (585)345-6809.

Wed. Dec. 10, 8pm

CELTIC THUNDER

Experience this chart-topping international ensemble's first symphonic tour of traditional carols, their signature hits, and Irish favorites, backed by Your BPO.



Fri. Dec. 12, 10:30AM Sat. Dec. 13, 8PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

CLASSICAL CHRISTMAS: MESSIAH AND MORE

Erin Freeman, conductor
Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus
The Messiah is the centerpiece
for this holiday tradition — filled
with classical treasures from
O Holy Night to Sleighride, and
our ever-popular sing-along.

Sun. Dec. 14, 2:30PM BPO KIDS

JINGLE BELL JAM

Stefun Sunders, conductor

It's a family tradition: holiday music, kids all dressed up, a sing-along with the orchestra. Meet the man of the hour as Santa makes his appearance. Join us at 1:30PM to make cards to send to our friends in the military with help from the U.S. Marine Corps.

Sun. Dec. 14, 8PM

EASTERN HILLS WESLEYAN CHURCH

Erin Freeman, conductor Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus presents Handel's *Messiah* sing-along.

Fri. Dec. 19, 10:30AM | 8PM Sat. Dec. 20, 8PM Sun. Dec. 21, 2:30PM BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD

HOLIDAY POPS WITH SAL ANDOLINA'S BIG BAND AND JAMES TORMÉ

Ron Spigelman, conductor
Join Your BPO for Western
New York's #1 Holiday tradition!
Featuring the remarkable vocals
of James Tormé, son of jazz legend
Mel Tormé, this concert is sure to
make your holiday merry and bright!

Sat. Dec. 20, 1PM
M&T BANK BUFFALO
1 FOUNTAIN PLAZA

HOLIDAY MUSIC UNDER THE DOME

Paul Ferington, *conductor*The BPO performs a free concert in the iconic M&T Gold Dome.

Sat. Jan. 24, 8PM Sun. Jan. 25, 2:30PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOZART!

David Alan Miller, conductor Demarre McGill. flute Yolanda Kondonassis, harp

MOZART String Divertimenti K.136

MOZART Concerto for Flute and Harp in C major

MOZART Symphony No. 38 in D major, "Praque"

Thurs. Jan. 29, 5:30PM

SALVATORE'S ITALIAN GARDENS

TABLESCAPES BPO BENEFIT

Tablescapes is back by popular demand! From 5:30-8:30pm, enjoy cocktails and treats as you shop the night away at Salvatore's Italian Gardens Restaurant! Tablescapes features imaginative table displays from Buffalo's finest designers, florists, restaurants, shops, cultural organizations and more! All proceeds benefit the BPO. Tickets: \$35. For more information, call (716) 242-7825.

Fri. Jan. 30, 8PM BPO ROCKS

RANDY NEWMAN

This Grammy Award winner, Oscar nominee, and Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee has been inspiring audiences for decades, from the sardonic Short People to the sentimental You've Got a Friend in Me.





Sat. Jan. 31, 8PM

BEN VEREEN

Tony Award-winning actor-singerdancer Ben Vereen starred in the original Broadway productions of Pippin and Jesus Christ Superstar, plus All That Jazz, Sweet Charity, Chicago, Fosse, Hair and Wicked.

Tues. Feb. 3, 7:30PM MONTANTE CULTURAL CENTER

CANISIUS COLLEGE

Stefan Sanders, conductor Daniel Pendley, bass

SCHUBERT Overture D. 590 D major

(In the Italian Style)

Fantasy on Themes from BOTTESINI

La Sonnambula

by Vincenzo Bellini HENRI TOMASI Fanfare Liturgiques

for Brass and Percussion

TCHAIKOVSKY Serenade for Strings, Op. 48 C major

For more information go to: canisius.edu/artscanisius. Tickets: Call (716)888-2536

Sat. Feb. 7, 8PM Sun. Feb. 8, 2:30PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

RUSSIAN DIVERSION

JoAnn Falletta, conductor Natasha Paremski, piano

GALLAGHER **BRAHMS**

Diversions Overture Piano Concerto No.1 in D minor TCHAIKOVSKY Symphony No. 2. in C minor,

"Little Russian"



Fri. Feb. 13, 10:30AM Sat. Feb. 14. 8PM

STEVE LIPPIA AND SINATRA

Love is in the air as you celebrate Valentine's Day with the most romantic music from Frank Sinatra's songbook. Join us Saturday pre-concert for dinner at our Little Italy-themed Pops Party. Post-concert, dance the night away at our free Sweetheart Dance. For more information on dinner packages or table sponsorships, call (716) 242-7825.

Sun. Feb. 15, 2:30PM **BPO KIDS**

A VERY BEARY VALENTINE

Stefan Sanders, conductor Love is in the air and the BPO wants to be your Valentine! Spread the love around and bring the bear or stuffed animal you love the most to share the concert with you. Free activities from B is for Books and Explore & More start at 1:30pm.

Sat. Feb. 21. 8PM Sun. Feb. 22, 2:30PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

Symphonic Tales

JoAnn Falletta, conductor Amit Peled, cello

SCHMITT DUKAS DVOŘÁK

The Haunted Palace The Sorcerer's Apprentice Cello Concerto in B minor

visit bpo.org for more details

Wed. Feb. 25, 7:30PM FREE CONCERT

SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH THE GREATER BUFFALO Youth Orchestra

Stefan Sanders and Gerard Floriano, conductors

Fri. Feb. 27, 7PM KNOW THE SCORE

MUSSORGSKY'S PICTURES AT AN EXHIBITION

This iconic piece commemorates the composer's friendship with artist and architect Viktor Hartmann, whose death shook Russia's art world. Mussorgsky was inspired to memorialize him in music that depicts a tour of an art collection, brought to life with the assistance of curators from the Albright-Knox Art Gallery. End the evening with a post-concert party and meet the musicians!



Sat. Feb. 28, 8PM **BPO** Rocks

BLOOD SWEAT & TEARS

Hits like And When I Die and You Make Me So Very Happy re-imagined with a full orchestra and the vocal talents of American Idol finalist Bo Bice!

Sat. Mar. 7, 8PM Sun. Mar. 8, 2:30PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

LEFÈVRE PLAYS GERSHWIN

JoAnn Falletta, conductor Alain Lefèvre, piano

SCHMITT Anthony and Cleopatra, Suites 1 & 2 GERSHWIN Piano Concerto in F major



Sat. Mar. 14, 8PM

MEGAN HILTY

Steven Reineke, conductor
Megan Hilty has delighted audiences
from Broadway to the small screen
with her roles as Glinda in Wicked
and Liz in Sean Saves the World.

Sun. Mar. 15, 2:30PM

THE MAGICAL MUSIC OF DISNEY

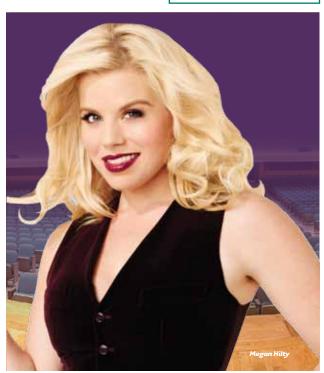
Stefon Sonders, conductor
Come dressed as your favorite
Disney character, prince or princess,
and enjoy favorites from *The Lion*King, Aladdin, Beauty and the Beast
and more. The Albright-Knox,
B is for Books and Tutor Doctor
provide free activities starting
at 1:30pm.

Sat. Mar. 21, 8PM Sun. Mar. 22, 2:30PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

Beethoven Festival

BEETHOVEN'S NINTH

JoAnn Falletta, *conductor*Sari Gruber, *soprano*Ann McMahon Quintero, *mezzo-soprano*Robert Breault, *tenor*Kevin Deas, *bass-baritone*Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus
Symphony No. 1 in C major
Symphony No. 9 in D minor, "Choral"





Fri. Mar. 27, 10:30AM Sat. Mar. 28, 8PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

BEETHOVEN FESTIVAL A HERO'S LIFE

JoAnn Falletta, conductor Norman Krieger, piano Emily Helenbrook, soprano Matthew Witter, narrator

Piano Concerto No. 5 in E-Flat major, "Emperor"

Complete Incidental Music to Egmont

Sat. Apr. 11, 8PM
Sun. Apr. 12, 2:30PM
M&T BANK CLASSICS KNOW THE SCORE

CHARLES IVES: AN AMERICAN MAVERICK

JoAnn Falletta, *conductor*William Sharp, *tenor*IVES/SCHUMAN Variations on *America*

IVES The Unanswered Question
IVES/ADAMS Five Songs for Voice

and Orchestra
IVES/BRANT The Alcotts

from Concord Symphony

IVES Symphony No. 2

A collaboration with the Burchfield Penney Art Center, University at Buffalo Music Dept. and Buffalo & Erie County Libraries, with support from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Check bpo.org in the spring for additional Ives events. Fri. Apr. 17, 10:30AM Sat. Apr. 18, 8PM BPO POPS

GLENN MILLER ORCHESTRA

With its iconic jazz sound, the Glenn Miller Orchestra is considered to be one of the greatest bands of all time.

Sun. Apr. 19, 2:30PM BPO KIDS

DR. SEUSS MEETS THE BPO!

Stefun Sunders, conductor
A mad romp through Dr. Seuss classics: Green Eggs and Ham, and The Sneetches. It's an unbeatable combination of timeless music and favorite stories that everyone knows. Come in your craziest, zaniest, most outrageous hat in honor of the occasion! The Albright-Knox and B is for Books add to the fun with free activities at 1:30pm.



Fri. Apr. 24, 10:30AM Sat. Apr. 25, 8PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

NA ZDROWIE POLAND!

JoAnn Falletta, conductor Jacek Muzyk, French horn Yoonie Han, piano

KARLOWICZ Symphonic Prologue from Music for the White Dove

PENDERECKI Winterreise:

Concerto for horn

CHOPIN Piano Concerto No. 1

in E minor





Fri. May 1, 8PM

THE MUSIC OF MICHAEL JACKSON

Brent Havens, conductor

Celebrate the music of the King of Pop in this symphonic tribute to Jackson's incomparable style. Lead performer James Delisco offers a rare combination of a fabulous voice and high-energy athletic dance moves, all amplified with a full band and heightened by rock concert lighting.

Sat. May 2, 8PM

BOND AND BEYOND: 50 YEARS OF 007

Michael Krajewski, conductor Debbie Gravitte, vocals

A symphonic tribute to the golden anniversary of this treasured film franchise and the world's favorite spy: "Bond, James Bond!"

Sun. May 3, 2:30PM
BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD
DAY AT BPO KIDS

CARNIVAL OF THE ANIMALS

Stefan Sanders, conductor
Let your imagination run wild in this musical journey. Each movement depicts a different animal – from the regal lion to the graceful swan. This is a great way to learn about the instruments in the orchestra. Starting at 1:30PM, visit our Instrument Zoo and meet animals from the Buffalo Zoo.

Tues. May 5, 7PM

SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH THE BUFFALO ACADEMY FOR VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Stefan Sanders, conductor





Sat. May 9, 8PM Sun. May 10, 2:30PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

WILLIAM TELL AND SHOSTAKOVICH

Leon Botstein, conductor Rachel Lee Priday, violin

ROSSINI Overture to William Tell
WAGNER Death and Funeral Music

PROKOFIFV

from *Götterdämmerung* Violin Concerto No. 1

in D major

SHOSTAKOVICH Symphony No. 15 in A major



Fri. May 22, 10:30AM Sat. May 23, 8PM

PATRIOTIC POPS

A Memorial Day weekend tradition! Join the BPO in a musical salute to our nation and the men and women whose sacrifices made it great.

Fri. May 29, 10:30AM Sat. May 30, 8PM M&T BANK CLASSICS

BERNSTEIN AND MAHLER

JoAnn Falletta, conductor Tim Fain, violin

BERNSTÉIN Serenade for Violin and Orchestra

MAHLER Symphony No. 1 in D

Sat. June 6, 8PM

ELLA, LOUIS AND ALL THAT JAZZ FEATURING BYRON STRIPLING AND MARVA HICKS

Byron Stripling, artistic director of the Columbus Jazz Orchestra, joins forces with Broadway star Marva Hicks in this tribute to two of the iazz world's most talented musicians.

Sun. June 7, 2:30PM

LIPPES CONCERT HALL
IN SLEE HALL UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO
NORTH CAMPUS

JUNE IN BUFFALO FESTIVAL

For tickets, call (716) 645-2921.

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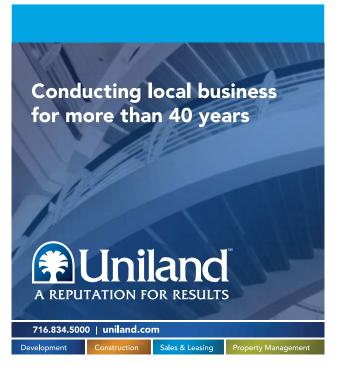
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Price Rite 255 North Street at College Street, 14201. Free parking for Saturday and Sunday concerts, a comfortable walking distance to the Hall.

Take the Shuttle

D'Youville Shuttle Park and ride the complimentary shuttle from D'Youville College Lot D, located at 430 West Avenue, 14213, between Connecticut and Porter Avenue for **Saturday evening performances only**. Shuttle service begins at 6:30pm and ends 30 minutes after the conclusion of the concert. Parking may be available for other dates. Please join our email club at bpo.org or call the Box Office for updated information.

SALVATORE'S SYMPHONY SHUTTLE \$10

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Call (716) 683-7990 for dinner reservations.

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Call (716) 332-3131 for reservations or more information.



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We are pleased to be able to present these concert previews at no cost to you in collaboration with the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library System. Visit bpo.org for more information.

2014-2015 SCHEDULE

Understanding Symphonic Forms
Wed. Sept. 17

12PM AT CENTRAL AND 6:30PM ORCHARD PARK Wed. Oct. 24 AUDUBON, 7PM

Rachmaninoff Festival

Wed. Oct. 8

12PM AT CENTRAL AND 6:30PM ORCHARD PARK Wed. Oct. 15 AUDUBON, 7PM

Musical Travels through Europe

Wed. Nov. 5
12PM AT CENTRAL AND 6:30PM ORCHARD PARK
Wed. Nov. 12 AUDUBON, 7PM

■ Symphonic Storytelling

Wed. Feb. 11

12PM AT CENTRAL AND 6:30PM ORCHARD PARK Wed. Feb. 18 AUDUBON, 7PM

■ Beethoven Festival

Wed. Mar. 4

12PM AT CENTRAL AND 6:30PM ORCHARD PARK Wed. Mar. 11 Audubon, 7PM

Understanding 20th and 21st Century Music

Wed. Mar. 25

12PM AT CENTRAL AND 6:30PM ORCHARD PARK Wed. Apr. 1 AUDUBON, 7PM



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Experience the Buffalo Philharmonic in one of the world's most renowned concert venues, Kleinhans Music Hall. We invite your group to join us and experience the passion and excitement of Your Grammy Award-winning BPO.

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Personal Service

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A Better Way to Conduct Business

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Savings

Groups can save up to 20% off regular ticket prices, and the handling and processing fees on each ticket are waived.

Backstage Tours

Behind-the-scenes tours of historic Kleinhans Music Hall can be arranged (based upon availability).

Meet-and-Greet

Meet with JoAnn Falletta and your favorite guest artists before or after the concert (based upon availability).

Flexible Payment Plans

Our goal is to make planning your trip as easy as possible, so payment plans are arranged on an individual basis.

Custom Day Packages for Matinee Shows

From lunch or dinner after the concert, to tours at Western New York cultural sites, let us make the arrangements for a great day out.

Coffee Concerts

One of our most popular group options is our Friday morning Coffee Concerts. For our 2014-2015 season, we have 12 Friday mornings from which to choose. Coffee concerts begin with complimentary coffee, donuts, bagels, and/or pastries at 9:30AM in the Mary Seaton Room. Join your friends and mingle with the conductor, musicians and guest artists before the concert begins at 10:30AM.

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or email groupsales@bpo.org.

Concert Information

Kleinhans Music Hall opens 90 minutes before the concert is scheduled to begin, or earlier depending on pre-concert activities. All performances begin promptly at the designated time.

HANDICAPPED SEATING/ASSISTANCE

Patrons requiring special assistance are urged to contact the Box Office prior to attending the concert. Handicapped seating is located on the main floor on the outside aisles from rows A-CC. Handicapped parking is available. Please notify the parking attendant upon arriving of your needs. Hearing Assistance Devices are available at the coat check. Please note, there is no elevator to the balcony level.

CAMERAS AND RECORDING DEVICES

Photography is permitted in the hall before and after concerts, but all devices must be turned off during a concert. It is strictly forbidden to record or photograph a concert, as it presents a distraction to the musicians and other patrons.

LATE ARRIVALS

Patrons arriving after the performance has started will be seated at the discretion of the House Manager. Seating will not be until the first suitable break or at intermission. Note that late seating may not be in the purchased location.

MEDICAL /SECURITY

Security staff is available at all times and an EMT is on site for all concerts and performances. Please notify an usher or staff member if there is a medical or security need.

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JACEK MUZYK, FRENCH HORN Wed. Apr 15, 7-8:30PM

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One hour prior to Saturday and Sunday Classics series concerts, join music director JoAnn Falletta, guest artists, conductors and members of the BPO for this free, informative and entertaining series of discussions. They'll discuss the music and the evening's performance and take questions from the audience. It's the perfect time to learn more about what's behind the music you are about to hear. For more information, visit bpo.org or call the Box Office at (716) 885-5000.

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Events for donors:

Open Rehearsal A Night of Rach

Wed. Oct. 8, 10AM JoAnn Falletta, *conductor* Fabio Bidini, *piano*

Open Rehearsal Symphonic Tales

Thurs. Feb. 18, 10AM JoAnn Falletta, *conductor* Amit Peled, *cello*

Open Rehearsal Bernstein and Mahler

Wed. May 27, 10AM JoAnn Falletta, *conductor* Tim Fain, *violin*



Events for subscribers:

Subscriber Appreciation Post-Concert Party Lefèvre Plays Gershwin

Sat. Mar. 7 JoAnn Falletta, *conductor* Alain Lefevre, *piano*

Subscriber Appreciation Post-Concert Party Megan Hilty

Sat. Mar. 14 Steven Reineke, *conductor*

Events open to both donors and subscribers:

Post-concert Party Sweetheart Dance Steve Lippia and Sinatra

Sat. Feb. 14

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to be announced

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For questions regarding open rehearsals, please contact Kelly Campbell, *Annual Fund and Planned Giving Coordinator*, at (716) 242-7829.

Dates, times and programs are subject to change.



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The BPO welcomes people of all ages!

Does your school come to the BPO Music for Youth Concert Series?

Students from pre-kindergarten through high school can attend age-appropriate concerts in the



Music for Youth Concert Series presented by First Niagara. These school-time concerts are developed with the assistance of music teachers and educational curriculum writers.

They introduce students to the best orchestral repertoire in an engaging and informative way, while linking music to language arts, social studies, and other disciplines showing how intertwined music education is with all areas of study.

Tickets are only \$6 per student and preparatory curriculum materials are provided. For information on this year's concert options and to make a reservation for your school, visit bpo.org

Did you know we have affordable pricing for high school and college students?

Student Pass – ONLY \$29



Purchase a BPO Student Pass for all our M&T Bank Classic Series concerts for only \$29 for the whole year!

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High School students can join the Scholars community to attend most Classics concerts for free and also to meet musicians, guest artists and conductors.

Single concert tickets for students: \$10 for classics, 50% discount for pops

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Under JoAnn Falletta's leadership, the BPO has released 29 recordings on their own label, Beau Fleuve, and on the international classical music label, Naxos. Recent releases include Polish Masterworks (featuring works by four of Poland's greatest composers), and the critically acclaimed Glière CD, recorded during the BPO's highly successful 2013 performance at Carnegie Hall. The Naxos release garnered positive reviews from media as far as England, Germany and Luxembourg.



- BPO Live in Concert, recorded during the 2014 Florida Friends Tour
- Marcel Tyberg: Symphony No. 2
- Glière: Symphony No. 3, "Il'ya Muromets"
- American Classics: Duke Ellington: Black, Brown and Beige
- In the Heart of Europe
- Marcel Tyberg: Symphony No. 3
- Russian Masterworks
- Holiday Classical Favorites, conducted by JoAnn Falletta
- Holiday Pops, conducted by Marvin Hamlisch
- John Corigliano: Mr. Tambourine Man *Grammy Award winner
- American Classics: George Gershwin: Rhapsody in Blue

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The BPO reaches thousands



of students across Western New York each year through the annual BPO Live Broadcast. With support from Western New York BOCES and production assistance from Time Warner Cable, these live web streams have been viewed by students from districts throughout the region from Jamestown near the Pennsylvania border all the way to Barker on Lake Ontario.

- The BPO's neighborhood outreach program, West WEST SIDE CONN Side Connection, engages 2,000 students each year from 12 Buffalo Public schools on the West Side of Buffalo. The incredible diversity of this area inspires multicultural programming and guest artists who work with students in the schools. The program culminates in a concert at Kleinhans Music Hall which also welcomes 450 adult refugees who take part in the Buffalo Public Schools continuing education centers.
- The BPO honors music educators and those who support music education in an awards ceremony at Kleinhans each year. This season the education community will celebrate together on April 25, 2015.



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