

**WCO** THE WILLIAMSBURG  
SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

2022/2023 SEASON



# FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

MICHAEL BUTTERMAN

Our new season sparkles with dazzling guest artists, well-loved classics and exciting new discoveries. We'll welcome superstar pianist Natasha Paremski to open our season with Rachmaninoff's brilliant *Paganini Rhapsody*, and we'll shine the spotlight on the WSO's own percussion section in October for a stunning work appropriately titled *The Glory and the Grandeur*. We'll hear bassist/composer Xavier Foley, one of the most exciting talents of his generation, in an unforgettable pair of works, and GRAMMY-winning guitarist Jason Vieaux playing the evocative *Concierto de Aranjuez*. Van Cliburn gold medalist Jon Nakamatsu will close our season with a pair of gems, including *Rhapsody in Blue*. You'll hear all of this, along with symphonic masterpieces by Brahms, Tchaikovsky, Beethoven and Copland.

But there's more! In addition to our ever-popular Cabaret & Cocktails event in January, we're thrilled to be joined by the amazing performers of Cirque de la Symphonie in November

and the delightful Sarah Jane McMahon for our Holiday Pops in December. And we'll take the stage with our young friends of the Williamsburg Youth Orchestra for a "Side-by-Side" concert in February.

We can't wait to have you join us for this unforgettable season!

Enjoy,



*"I'm so pleased to be joining The Williamsburg Symphony Orchestra team. Together, I look forward to bringing the transformative power of great music to everyone in the community. I was immediately impressed by the musicianship and collegial spirit that I felt from The WSO musicians. There is a wonderful culture present in the organization—a mutually supportive relationship between the board, Carolyn, and the musicians that presents all the necessary ingredients for artistic success and maximum impact in the community. I can't wait to get started!"*

—Michael Buttermann



## PAREMSKI PLAYS RACHMANINOFF

Guest Artist: Natasha Paremski, piano

Brahms	<i>Variations on a Theme of Joseph Haydn</i>
Rachmaninoff	<i>Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini</i> Natasha Paremski, piano
Korngold	<i>Theme and Variations</i>
Hindemith	<i>Symphonic Metamorphosis of Themes</i> by Carl Maria von Weber

THURSDAY

**SEPTEMBER 29, 2022**

**7:30 P.M.**

**Williamsburg Community Chapel**

**PRE-CONCERT LECTURE**  
6:30–7:00 p.m.

**PIANO MASTERCLASS WITH  
NATASHA PAREMSKI**  
September 28, 2022  
7:00 p.m.

CATCH THE  
*Excitement*



MASTERWORKS  
CONCERT 2

## GLORY AND GRANDEUR

Guest Artists: Rex Richardson, trumpet

Wagner	<i>Prelude to Die Meistersinger</i>
Arutunian	<i>Trumpet Concerto in A-flat major</i> Rex Richardson, trumpet
Tchaikovsky	<i>Polonaise from Eugene Onegin</i>
Tchaikovsky	<i>Symphony No. 2</i>

THURSDAY

**OCTOBER 20, 2022**

**7:30 P.M.**

**Williamsburg Community Chapel**

**PRE-CONCERT LECTURE**  
6:30–7:00 p.m.

**PERCUSSION MASTERCLASS**  
**WITH DAN KNIPPLE**  
October 18, 2022 📺 5:00 p.m.

MASTERWORKS  
CONCERT 3

## BEETHOVEN'S FIFTH

Guest Artists: Xavier Foley, bass, and  
Eunice Kim, violin

Abels	<i>Global Warming</i>
Foley	<i>For Justice and Peace</i> Xavier Foley, bass, and Eunice Kim, violin
Bottesini	<i>Gran Duo Concertante</i> Xavier Foley, bass, and Eunice Kim, violin
Beethoven	<i>Symphony No. 5</i>

THURSDAY

**FEBRUARY 2, 2023**

**7:30 P.M.**

**Williamsburg Community Chapel**

**PRE-CONCERT LECTURE**  
6:30–7:00 p.m.



## GUITAR VIRTUOSO

with GRAMMY-winning guitarist Jason Vieaux

Vivaldi	<i>Guitar Concerto in D</i> Jason Vieaux, guitar
Rodrigo	<i>Concierto de Aranjuez</i> Jason Vieaux, guitar
Brahms	<i>Symphony No. 3</i>

THURSDAY

**MARCH 16, 2023**

**7:30 P.M.**

**Williamsburg Community Chapel**

### PRE-CONCERT LECTURE

6:30–7:00 p.m.

### CLASSICAL GUITAR MASTERCLASS WITH JASON VIEAUX

March 15, 2023 📺 7:00 p.m.



## RHAPSODY IN BLUE

Guest Artist: Jon Nakamatsu, piano

Ginastera	<i>Four Dances from Estancia</i>
Ravel	<i>Piano Concerto in G</i> Jon Nakamatsu, piano
Copland	<i>Four Dance Episodes from Rodeo</i>
Gershwin	<i>Rhapsody in Blue</i> Jon Nakamatsu, piano

THURSDAY

**MAY 25, 2023**

**7:30 P.M.**

**Williamsburg Community Chapel**

### PRE-CONCERT LECTURE

6:30–7:00 p.m.

### PIANO MASTERCLASS WITH JON NAKAMATSU

May 24, 2023 📺 7:00 p.m.





## CIRQUE DE LA SYMPHONIE

Cirque de la Symphonie is a unique and exciting production designed to bring the magic of cirque to the music hall. It is an elegant fusion of cirque and orchestra, adapting the stunning performances of cirque artists with the majesty of the full symphony orchestra. The program showcases classical music favorites and many of the best cirque artists in the world, thrilling the audience with acrobats, contortionists, dancers, jugglers, balancers, and strongmen. These are some of the most accomplished veterans of exceptional cirque programs and include world record holders, gold-medal winners, Olympians, and some of the most original talent ever seen. Join the WSO for this stunning performance.

FRIDAY

**NOVEMBER 4, 2022**

**7:30 P.M.**

**Williamsburg Community Chapel**

*Specialty concert tickets sold individually.*



## HOLIDAY POPS

**Guest Artist: Sarah Jane McMahon**

Join Music Director Michael Buttermann for this seasonal tradition for the entire family. Share in joyful holiday classics, familiar themes, and beloved carols featuring celebrated soprano Sarah Jane McMahon. Hailed by *The New York Times* as “bright, active, and fastidiously musical,” and by *Opera News* as having “a golden sound,” Sarah Jane McMahon is recognized for her “beautiful vocal sophistication” and “sparkling stage presence.” Share in the joy of the season with the WSO!

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

**DECEMBER 3 & 4, 2022**

**Time & Location TBA**

*Family concert tickets sold individually.*



## CABARET & COCKTAILS: THE FIRST LADIES OF SONG FEATURING CARMEN BRADFORD

The amazing Carmen Bradford is one of jazz music's most diverse and exciting vocal stylists. As the lead vocalist with the Count Basie Orchestra, Carmen's depth of musical experience, technical brilliance and overwhelming passion for the lyric is the perfect homage to America's First Ladies of Song such as Ella Fitzgerald, Billie Holiday, Sarah Vaughan, and Lena Horne. This special program features hits like *Love Is Here to Stay*, *Fascinating Rhythm*, *I Won't Dance*, *Love Me or Leave Me* and many more. Kick-off the New Year at the Cabaret! Tickets for this concert go on sale in June 2022.

SUNDAY

**JANUARY 22, 2023**

**8:00 P.M.**

**Williamsburg Lodge**

**VIOLIN MASTERCLASS WITH AKEMI TAKAYAMA**

January 21, 2023 📅 3:00 p.m.

Specialty concert tickets sold individually.



## SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH THE WILLIAMSBURG YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Share in the positive power of music as youth orchestra musicians and the symphony's professional musicians perform together on one stage. You will truly be inspired and uplifted by this special performance of classical music favorites.

SUNDAY

**FEBRUARY 5, 2023**

**4:00 P.M.**

**Williamsburg Community Chapel**

Family concert tickets sold individually.

# SEASON AT A GLANCE

## SEPTEMBER 2022

Masterworks Concert 1

### PAREMSKI PLAYS RACHMANINOFF

Guest Artist: Natasha Paremski, piano

September 29 📅 7:30 p.m. 📍 Williamsburg Community Chapel

### PIANO MASTERCLASS

with Natasha Paremski

September 28 📅 7:00 p.m. 📍 Location TBA

*Free and open to the public*

## OCTOBER 2022

Masterworks Concert 2

### GLORY AND GRANDEUR

Guest Artist: Rex Richardson, trumpet

October 20 📅 7:30 p.m. 📍 Williamsburg Community Chapel

### PERCUSSION MASTERCLASS

with Principal Percussionist Dan Knipple

October 18 📅 5:00 p.m. 📍 Location TBA

*Free and open to the public*

## NOVEMBER 2022

Specialty Concert

### CIRQUE DE LA SYMPHONIE

November 4 📅 7:30 p.m. 📍 Williamsburg Community Chapel

## DECEMBER 2022

Family Concert

### HOLIDAY POPS

Guest Artist: Sarah Jane McMahon

December 3 & 4 📅 Time & Location TBA

## JANUARY 2023

Specialty Concert

### CABARET & COCKTAILS

### THE FIRST LADIES OF SONG FEATURING CARMEN BRADFORD

January 22 📅 8:00 p.m. 📍 Williamsburg Lodge

### VIOLIN MASTERCLASS

with Concertmaster Akemi Takayama

January 21 📅 3:00 p.m. 📍 Location TBA

*Free and open to the public*

## FEBRUARY 2023

Masterworks Concert 3

### BEETHOVEN'S FIFTH

Guest Artist: Xavier Foley, bass and Eunice Kim, violin

February 2 📅 7:30 p.m. 📍 Williamsburg Community Chapel

Family Concert

### SIDE-BY-SIDE CONCERT

with Williamsburg Youth Orchestra

February 5 📅 4:00 p.m. 📍 Williamsburg Community Chapel

## MARCH 2023

Masterworks Concert 4

### GUITAR VIRTUOSO

with GRAMMY-Winning Guitarist Jason Vieaux

March 16 📅 7:30 p.m. 📍 Williamsburg Community Chapel

### CLASSICAL GUITAR MASTERCLASS

with Jason Vieaux

March 15 📅 7:00 p.m. 📍 Location TBA

*Free and open to the public*

## MAY 2023

Masterworks Concert 5

### RHAPSODY IN BLUE

Guest Artist: Jon Nakamatsu, piano

May 25 📅 7:30 p.m. 📍 Williamsburg Community Chapel

### PIANO MASTERCLASS

with Jon Nakamatsu

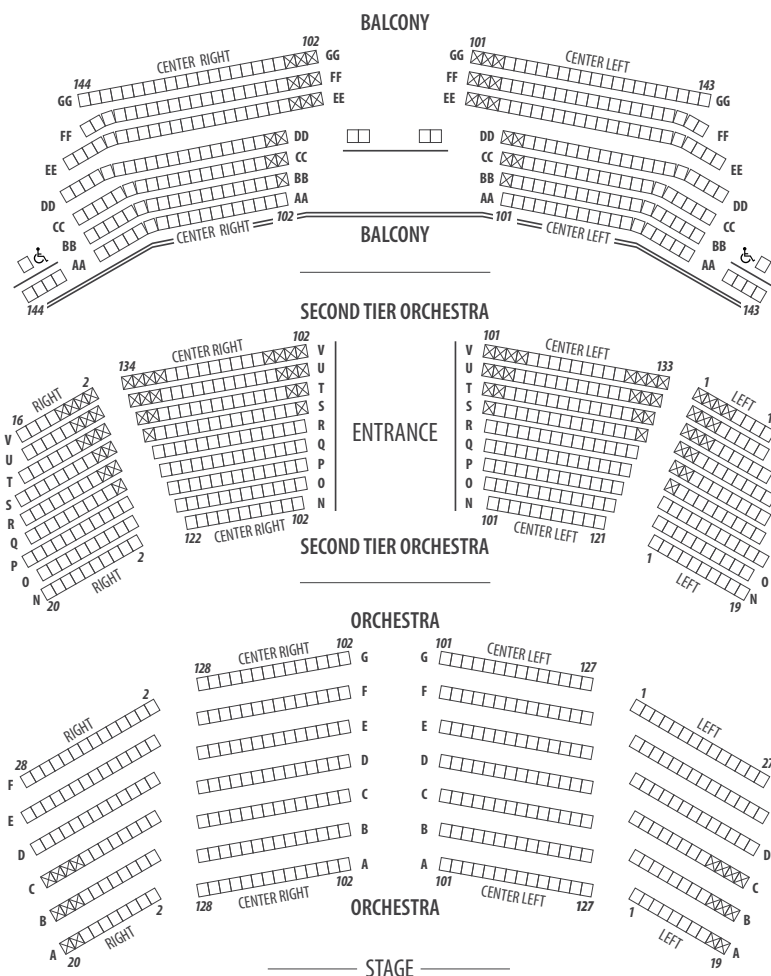
May 24 📅 7:00 p.m. 📍 Location TBA

*Free and open to the public*

*Program, artists and dates are subject to change*

# WILLIAMSBURG COMMUNITY CHAPEL

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### GET INVOLVED! JOIN THE WILLIAMSBURG SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA LEAGUE

Do you want to get closer to the music? Join the WSO League, a group of dedicated volunteers working to support the orchestra. League volunteers gain insights into the symphony's operations and have opportunities to interact with guest artists, symphony members, and the music director.



# TICKET INFORMATION

## ORDER YOUR TICKETS ONLINE

[williamsburgsymphony.org/concerts](http://williamsburgsymphony.org/concerts)

### MASTERWORKS CONCERTS

	SUBSCRIPTION 5 Concerts	SINGLE TICKETS
IN-PERSON	\$265	\$60
LIVE STREAM ONLY	\$100*	\$25*

\* Per Household

### SPECIALTY/FAMILY CONCERTS

CIRQUE DE LA SYMPHONIE	\$125 VIP/\$60 adult/\$45 child
HOLIDAY POPS	\$30 adult/\$15 child
CABARET & COCKTAILS	To be announced
SIDE-BY-SIDE CONCERT	To be announced

### RENEWING YOUR SEASON SUBSCRIPTION?

You should have received a personalized email to renew your subscription. It is important that you use this link to ensure you reserve your current seats.

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Ticketing income covers **only 36%** of the costs to operate the symphony and provide wonderful concerts for you.

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Carolyn Keurajian

Celebrating 10 Years as The Williamsburg Symphony Orchestra

Executive Director

*"It was the good fortune of the Williamsburg Symphony Orchestra and the community when Carolyn assumed the job as Executive Director. Through many disruptions, challenges, and changes, she has remained professional and cool-headed, always maintaining the right course. Not only has she capably and successfully managed the myriad details of a musical organization, but also she has become a significant force for good in the greater Williamsburg community. She is the "face" of the WSO, and her gracious, positive comments from the stage set the right tone for all WSO performances and outreach activities. One of the oft-stated reasons given for the overwhelming response of applicants vying for the position of music director was the fact the Carolyn is at the helm of the organization; she is known and respected in the musical world. Our professional musicians appreciate her advocacy for them and sensitivity to their well being. And the Board of Trustees is forever grateful for her careful management and creative vision for our bright future. Thank you a million times, dear Carolyn!"*

–Linda Baker





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