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Kansas City Symphony Presents Fun and Family-Friendly Concerts for the 2024-2025 Season

Educational, entertaining and memory-making experiences bring families together at Kansas City's destination for live music entertainment

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. October 16, 2024 — The Kansas City Symphony is thrilled to announce a series of family-friendly concerts perfect for creating lasting memories this holiday season and beyond. Whether you're looking for an afternoon of musical magic or a holiday tradition, these concerts offer entertainment for every generation, making it easy for families to enjoy time together.

"At the Kansas City Symphony, we're passionate about creating experiences that families can enjoy together," says Stephanie Brimhall, Director of Education and Community Engagement. "Our family-friendly concerts are designed to spark curiosity and inspire a love for music in children of all ages. Whether it's their first concert or a cherished tradition, we want every family to leave with lasting memories and a deeper connection to the joy of live music."

Audience members can expect to hear familiar musical scores come to life through musical storytelling by the orchestra of the Kansas City Symphony. Memorable concerts performed at the Kauffman Center include Home Alone™ in Concert, Frozen™ in concert, How to Train your Dragon™ in Concert, and many more between now and the spring of 2025.

Make your plans to experience moments that delight, educate and entertain families of all ages by visiting our Family Series and Film and Live Orchestra pages to plan your visit today.

Tubby the Tuba and The Toy Symphony Sunday, November 10, 2024, at 2 p.m.

Meet Tubby the Tuba, an underdog who learns that dreams can come true with the help of an unexpected friend. The performance, brought to life by Really Inventive Stuff, will charm audiences of all ages with music and playful storytelling. Featuring: Joe LeFevre, tuba; Really Inventive Stuff; Michael Boudewyns and Sara Valentine, actors.

Home Alone™ in Concert

November 29 - December 1, 2024

Watch *Home Alone* like never before! Enjoy this holiday favorite on the big screen while the Kansas City Symphony performs John Williams' heartwarming score live. Perfect for family movie night with a festive twist! Rated PG. Featuring: Caleb Young, guest conductor; Kansas City Symphony Chorus, directed by Charles Bruffy.

Showtimes: Friday, November 29, at 8 p.m.; Saturday, November 30, at 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.; Sunday, December 1, at 2 p.m.

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Christmas Festival

December 19 - 22, 2024

Celebrate the season with the Kansas City Symphony's *Christmas Festival*. This concert features your favorite carols, Christmas classics, and even a special appearance by Santa Claus! A magical, must-see event for the entire family. Featuring: Jason Seber, guest conductor; Dee Daniels, vocalist; Kansas City Symphony Chorus, directed by Charles Bruffy.

Showtimes: Thursday, December 19, at 7 p.m.; Friday, December 20, at 7 p.m.; Saturday, December 21, at 1 p.m. & 7 p.m.; Sunday, December 22, at 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.

Frozen™ in Concert

December 23 - 24, 2024

Sing along with Anna, Elsa, and the whole *Frozen* gang as the Kansas City Symphony plays the film's score live while the movie is projected on the big screen. A perfect holiday outing for fans of all ages! Featuring: Jason Seber, quest conductor

Showtimes: Monday, December 23, at 7 p.m.; Tuesday, December 24, at 11 a.m.

Disney in Concert: The Sound of Magic

Sunday, January 12, 2025, at 2 p.m.

Journey through 100 years of Disney magic with this newly imagined cinematic concert experience that takes you on a magic carpet ride through the most memorable song, score and movie moments of the Walt Disney Company, including "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," "Moana," "Alice in Wonderland," "Aladdin," "The Jungle Book," "Frozen," "The Lion King," "Fantasia," "Encanto," "Beauty and the Beast" and more performed live by the Kansas City Symphony. Featuring: Stuart Chafetz, guest conductor.

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Harry Potter and The Sorcerer's Stone[™] in Concert Wednesday, January 29-February 1, 2025

Experience the magic of the film that started it all! Watch Harry, Ron, and Hermione's unforgettable journey unfold on the big screen, while the Kansas City Symphony performs John Williams' iconic score live. Join us for this enchanting event as your favorite moments come to life in high definition. Rated PG. Guest conductor: Justin Freer.

Showtimes: Wednesday, January 29, 2025 at 7 p.m.; Thursday, January 30, 2025 at 7 p.m., Friday, January 31, 2025 at 7 p.m.; Saturday, February 1, 2025 at 2 p.m.

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Dan Brown's Wild Symphony

Sunday, February 2, 2025, at 2 p.m.

Take a wild adventure with *Wild Symphony* as Maestro Mouse leads the Kansas City Symphony through a journey of animals, big and small. Perfect for kids and a wonderful introduction to orchestral music!

Sonic Time Travel with Project Trio

Sunday, March 2, 2025, at 2 p.m.

Get ready for an energetic, genre-blending performance with Project Trio. Combining classical, jazz, and even hip-hop, this concert will keep the whole family entertained and engaged. Project Trio featuring Greg Pattillo, flute, Daniel Berkey, saxophone, and Peter Seymour, double bass.

How to Train Your Dragon™ in Concert *March 7-9, 2025*

Hiccup is a young Viking who defies tradition when he befriends one of his deadliest foes — a ferocious dragon he calls Toothless. Together, these unlikely heroes must fight against all odds to save both their

worlds, in a thrilling experience for all ages. This acclaimed film is presented in HD in Helzberg Hall with composer John Powell's Academy Award®-nominated score performed live to film by the Kansas City Symphony. Rated PG. Featuring Nicholas Buc, guest conductor.

Showtimes: Friday, March 7, 2025 at 8 p.m. 2025; Saturday, March 8, 2025 at 2 p.m.; Sunday, March 9, 2025 at 2 p.m.

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About the Kansas City Symphony

Celebrating its 42nd season, the Kansas City Symphony is one of America's most dynamic and top performing orchestras. Performing at the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts, the Symphony brings live music to life for audiences of all ages. In addition to its concerts, the Symphony reaches beyond the concert hall through its Mobile Music Box and collaborations with the Kansas City Ballet and Lyric Opera. Top international soloists perform with the Kansas City Symphony every season, including brilliant classical musicians, popular singer/songwriters, rock bands and other creative performers. The Symphony performs live soundtracks for a variety of fan-favorite films, with the movie projected on a giant screen above the stage.

For more information and tickets, visit kcsymphony.org.