

Started in 1965, the story of the Pikes Peak Philharmonic has been unfolding for 59 years and continues for a 12th season under the direction of Maestro Dr. Luciano R. Silvestri, Jr.

Initially formed to provide additional playing opportunities for students at Colorado College, the Colorado Springs Community Orchestra, as it was known at the time, quickly expanded to include musicians from the larger community. The orchestra came under the direction and sponsorship of the Colorado Springs Symphony from 1972, but in 1986, the symphony's finances made it impossible to continue sponsoring the group. With the loss of this performing outlet, several of the orchestra's musicians incorporated as a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization, the Pikes Peak Community Orchestra. The orchestra later changed its name to Pikes Peak Civic Orchestra before becoming the Pikes Peak Philharmonic.

Music lovers can readily hear their friends and neighbors perform high quality classical music at affordable prices. Talented musicians have an outlet for their non-vocational musical skills. Membership in the Pikes Peak Philharmonic is by invitation or audition, which are held in August of each year and the first Tuesday of the month. Check the website at www.pikespeakphil.org for details. One of the goals of the Pikes Peak Philharmonic is to instill musicianship and music appreciation within the young people of our community. The Pikes Peak Philharmonic is funded through ticket sales, business and individual donors, and musician membership dues.

## Youth Concerto Competition

The Pikes Peak Philharmonic hosts an annual competition for instrumental performers in the Pikes Peak area. This competition is open to students in grades 8-12 who are residents of El Paso or Teller County. The winner will perform a solo at the April 2024 concert with the Pikes Peak Philharmonic. Learn more about the competition, including audition information, online at:

pikespeakphil.org/youth-concerto-competition

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Dr. Luciano R. Silvestri, Jr., Conductor



2023-2024 SEASON

# SEASON SCHEDULE

All concerts begin at 3:00 p.m. Come early for a Pre-Concert Lecture by Maestro Silvestri at 2:15 p.m. prior to the performance. All concerts are at the Ent Center for the Arts at 5225 N. Nevada Ave.

#### October 15, 2023

**Rossini**: Overture to the Barber of Seville **Brahms**: Variations on a Theme by Haydn

**Tchaikovsky**: Symphony No. 4

#### December 17, 2023

Mendelssohn: Symphony No. 4 Prokofiev: Lieutenant Kije Suite Tchaikovsky: Nutcracker Suite No. 1

**Anderson**: Sleigh Ride

#### February 18, 2024

**Prokofiev:** Romeo & Juliet Suite No. 2

**Chopin:** Piano Concerto No. 1 **Pianist** Adam Zukiewicz

### April 7, 2024

**Rossini**: William Tell Overture

Rimsky-Korsakov: Russian Easter Overture

**Brahms:** Symphony No. 1

**Concerto Competition Winner** 

### May 19, 2024

**Bernstein:** Overture to Candide

Sibelius: Finlandia

**Moss**: Star Trek Through the Years

Williams: Jurassic Park
Beethoven: Symphony No. 5

## MUSIC WISH LIST

Each season we choose selections to expand our library and enhance each performance. Please consider a donation to help purchase or rent one or more of these compositions, and we will send you two complementary season vouchers set for each piece purchased.

Rossini: Overture to Barber of Seville	\$243.00
Mendelssohn: Symphony No 4	\$281.00
Prokofiev: Lieutenant Kije Suite	\$202.50
Prokofiev: Romeo and Juliet 2nd Suite	\$350.00
Chopin: Piano Concerto No. 1	\$220.00





We are participating in the Pikes Peak Give! campaign once again this year and would love your support. Give! donations allow us to continue to perform at the Ent Center, pay guest musicians, and keep ticket prices affordable for individuals and families. You can donate here:

https://givepikespeak.org/nonprofits/see-art/



#### PPP Concert Pricing:

Adults	\$20
Children 12 or under, with paying adults	
Students 13 and over	
College Students with College ID	\$1
Seniors (age 55+)	\$14
Military & Veterans with Military ID	\$14
Students 13 and over	\$1 \$1 \$1

Tickets for the concerts at the Ent Center for the Arts can be purchased in advance from the Ent Center website. You can find the link on the Pikes Peak Phil website at www.pikespeakphil.org or at https://tickets.entcenterforthearts.org/events.

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