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### PITTSBURGH BALLET THEATRE











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# Located in the heart of downtown Pittsburgh, the Cultural District is a vibrant arts and entertainment center that offers something for everyone.

Within walking distance from some of the city's best hotels, restaurants, shops and public parks, you will find a wide range of options for art and live entertainment, from classical and contemporary music, ballet, and modern dance to visual art, opera, musical theater, children's theater, film festivals and drama.

# A 14-square block area, the Cultural District will dazzle you with its creative energy, depth and charm.

The Cultural District offers galleries and world-class theaters in which thousands of performances, exhibits and special events are held each year. More than a million patrons and visitors attend performances and exhibits annually in the Cultural District.

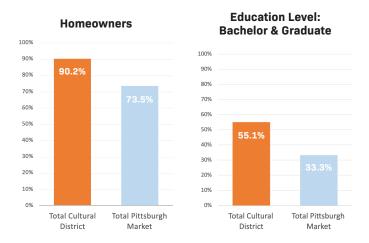
### **VENUES**

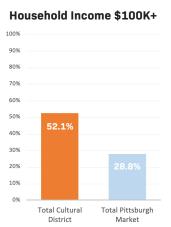
Cultural District arts organizations perform at the following venues, each with varying audience capacities and show run lengths.

### **SEATING CAPACITY**

- Benedum Center 2,861
- Heinz Hall 2.661
- Byham Theater 1,313
- O'Reilly Theater 650
- August Wilson Center 492
- CAPA 400
- Bitz Opera Factory 200
- Greer Cabaret Theater 200

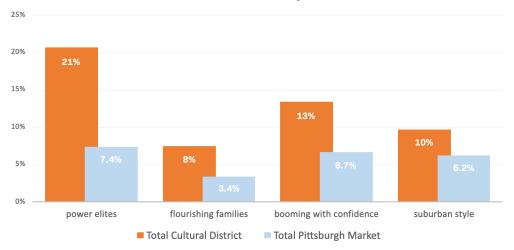
### DISTRICT DEMOGRAPHICS





\*Source: Management Science Associates, November 2024

### **Mosaic Groups**



\*Source: Management Science Associates, November 2024

- \* power elites: the wealthiest households in the US, living in the most exclusive neighborhoods, and enjoying all that life has to offer
- \* flourishing families: affluent, middle aged families and couples earning prosperous incomes and living very comfortable active lifestyles
- \* booming with confidence: prosperous, established couples in their peak earning years living in suburban homes
- \* suburban style: middle aged, ethnically mixed suburban families and couples earning upscale incomes

### CULTURAL DISTRICT RATE STRUCTURE

The Cultural District makes program book advertising easy, customizable and affordable. Each show is categorized into our tier rate structure determined by the average number of program books to be printed for the run of the show. The tiers will be listed next to the program you are considering.

TIER PRICING FOR 2024 – 2025 PROGRAM ADVERTISING SEASON										
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Tier 1	\$5200	\$5000	\$4000	\$2800	\$1600	\$6400	\$8000	\$9200	60,001-90,000+	
Tier 2	\$3510	\$3375	\$2700	\$1890	\$1080	\$4320	\$5400	\$6210	40,001-60,000	
Tier 3	\$2860	\$2750	\$2200	\$1540	\$880	\$3520	\$4400	\$5060	26,001-40,000	
Tier 4	\$2340	\$2250	\$1800	\$1260	\$720	\$2880	\$3600	\$4140	16,001-26,000	
Tier 5	\$1755	\$1690	\$1350	\$945	\$540	\$2160	\$2700	\$3105	8,501-16,000	
Tier 6	\$1300	\$1250	\$1000	\$700	\$400	\$1600	\$2000	\$2300	5,001-8,500	
Tier 7	\$975	\$935	\$750	\$525	\$300	\$1200	\$1500	\$1725	2,501-5,000	
Tier 8	\$715	\$685	\$550	\$385	\$220	\$880	\$1100	\$1265	1,001-2,500	
Tier 9	\$455	\$435	\$350	\$245	\$140	\$560	\$700	\$805	Up to 1,000	

<sup>\*</sup> Cover: selection of Outside Back, Inside Back, and Inside Front Covers

Look for the following icons within the show listings to determine Tier:



<sup>\*</sup> Premium: placed opposite cast pages or opposite show run

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he Cultural District is home to Downtown Pittsburgh's dynamic art and entertainment scene. Dis multitude of choices for new and exciting things to do year-round in the Cultural District.



### The Book of Mormon

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#### Jazzmeia Horn

st Wilson African A Cultural Center April 19, 2019



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#### **Ohlsson Plays** Rachmaninoff -Slatkin at 75!

rgh Symphony Orch April 12 & 14, 2019



### Indecent

upts when the entire cast is arreste nity. Indecent unearths the perilous of this groundbreaking work of and reveals the way art can deeply t us even in a world unravelling.

Buy Now **Don Pasquale** 



Pittsburgh Opera April 27, 30, May 3 & 5, 2019

Donizetti's comic opera Don Pasquale concerns old and wealthy bachelor Don



# YOUR AUDIENCE AWAITS!

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You'll truly connect with customers. District audiences carry programs home as keepsakes. They're loyal to their arts groups and those that support them. Friends buy from friends and participation offers a 'halo effect' for our advertisers, shining favorable light to your organization amongst the patrons of the Cultural District.

You can target your audience and solidify your brand. With the extraordinary range of programming, you can have visibility year round or for specific events or dates.

It's easy and affordable. Just one call to the Cultural District advertising sales office provides custom ad campaigns, multiple ad discounting, and one-contract billing.

**Strengthen relationships** with key customers and target new ones.

Establish cultural bonds and demonstrate shared values with a shared interest in the arts.

**Demonstrate corporate citizenship** and a commitment to community.

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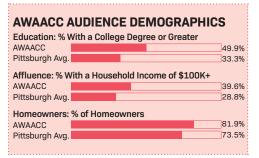




### AUGUST WILSON AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER



# AUGUST WILSON AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER



\*Source: Management Science Associates, November 2024

The August Wilson African
American Cultural Center is a
nonprofit cultural organization that
generates artistic, educational,
and community initiatives that
advance the legacy of Pulitzer
Prizewinning playwright August
Wilson. One of the largest cultural
centers in the country focused

exclusively on the African American experience and the celebration of Black culture and the African diaspora, the Center welcomes more than 100,000 visitors locally and nationally. Through year-round programming across multiple genres, such as the annual Pittsburgh International Jazz Festival, Black Bottom Film Festival, AWCommunity Days. TRUTHSayers speaker series, and rotating art exhibits in its galleries, the Center provides a platform for established and emerging artists of color whose work reflects the universal issues of identity that Wilson tackled, and which still resonate today.



### PITTSBURGH INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL



September 18-21, 2025 AWAACC

Space Reservation: 8/21 Artwork Deadline: 9/4



Friday, September 19: George Benson Tribute Concert, led by Dan Wilson + Taste of Jazz party

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led by Dan
Wilson + Taste
of Jazz party

Saturday, September 20 & Sunday,
September 21: The 2025 Festival lineup
is a dynamic blend of musical excellence.
Featured artists include Jazzmeia Horn,
Keith David, Michael Mayo, Ekep Nkwelle,

Featured artists include Jazzmeia Horn, Keith David, Michael Mayo, Ekep Nkwelle, Kandace Springs, Be'la Dona, Nathan-Paul Davis, Etienne Charles and his Creole Soul Ensemble, Obed Calvaire, Christone "Kingfish" Ingram, John Shannon, Theron Brown, and Orrin Evans' TARBABY. Headlining the festival are jazz legends Branford Marsalis, Dee Dee Bridgewater and Bilal.

Celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Pittsburgh International Jazz Festival, copresented by Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield, as it returns to Pittsburgh's Cultural District featuring free concerts along Liberty Avenue. The festival kicks off with The Jazz Train making stops in New York, Newark and Philadelphia before arriving in Pittsburgh for concerts at area venues on Thursday, followed by ticketed concerts and the popular Taste of Jazz Party at the August Wilson African American Cultural Center on Friday and then takes the music to the streets on Saturday and Sunday.



PHOTO CREDIT: Ailey II 2025 Season Image. Photo by Nir Arieli

### AILEY II: THE NEXT GENERATION OF DANCE

October 7, 2025 | 7:30 pm AWAACC



For over 50 years, Ailey II - The Next Generation of Dance - has merged the spirit and energy of the country's finest earlycareer dance talent with the passion and creative vision of today's most outstanding and emerging choreographers. Founded by Alvin Ailey in 1974, this universally renowned company embodies his pioneering mission to establish an extended cultural community that provides dance performances, training, and community programs for all people. Under the leadership of Sylvia Waters, who served as artistic director for 38 seasons, Ailey II flourished into one of the most popular modern dance companies, combining a rigorous touring schedule with extensive community outreach programs. Today, with Artistic Director Francesca Harper at the helm, she brings fresh perspectives to Mr. Ailey's legacy, while nurturing new creative voices and propelling the company forward.

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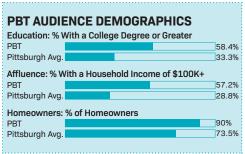


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### PITTSBURGH BALLET THEATRE



### **PITTSBURGH** BALLET THEATRE



\*Source: Management Science Associates, November 2024

The curtain is rising on Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre's most enchanting lineup yet. PBT invites audiences to step into The Dream Season, which is filled with timeless classics, bold premieres and unforgettable stories brought to life. Nationally recognized for its multi-talented company of 32 artists and its exciting repertoire, the 2025-26 season promises to be one of the most exciting in the company's history.

All photos by Justin Merriman



### **DRACULA**

October 31 – November 2, 2025 Benedum Center



**Space Reservation:** 10/3 **Artwork Deadline:** 10/17

### **Back by Popular Demand!**

The seductive Count Dracula makes his chilling return to the Benedum stage just in time for Halloween. Michael Pink's captivating *Dracula*, based on Bram Stoker's classic gothic horror story, is a spellbinding production that flows like a fever dream, mesmerizing audiences with its mix of romance, terror and peril. The sensuous ballet includes dramatic choreography, exquisite storytelling, opulent costumes, theatrical sets, a gripping score by Philip Feeney and haunting special effects that will leave you on the edge of your seat!

Choreography: Michael Pink

Music: Philip Feeney



### THE NUTCRACKER

December 5 - 28, 2025 Benedum Center



**Space Reservation:** 11/7 **Artwork Deadline:** 11/19

### Pittsburgh's Favorite Holiday Tradition!

Set in turn-of-the-century Pittsburgh, Terrence S. Orr's dazzling version of *The Nutcracker* highlights the city's beloved landmarks, sports teams and history. Join Marie and the Nutcracker Prince on an unforgettable adventure through sparkling snow into the dreamy Land of Enchantment. Experience favorite dances, memorable scenes, magical costumes, shimmering snowflakes and the iconic Tchaikovsky score as you are swept into the most festive time of the year. Don't miss your chance to experience it with your loved ones!

Concept & Choreography: Terrence S. Orr

Music: P.I. Tchaikovsky

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### AMERICA 250 WITH THE PBT ORCHESTRA

February 20 - 22, 2026 Benedum Center

**Space Reservation:** 1/23 **Artwork Deadline:** 2/6



Celebrate America's 250th Anniversary with a vibrant mixed repertory program that honors the American spirit, featuring *The Mighty Casey*, Lisa de Ribere's playful take on America's favorite pastime; George Balanchine's patriotic and jubilant *Stars and Stripes Pas de deux*; *Company B*, Paul Taylor's bittersweet ode to America on the eve of WWII, with music by The Andrews Sisters; and Ben Stevenson's romantic *Three Preludes* about two dancers who fall in love.

### **Music:**

- The Mighty Casey Michael Moricz, featuring selections from John Philip Sousa and Stephen Foster
- Stars & Stripes Pas de deux John Philip Sousa
- Company B The Andrews Sisters
- Three Preludes Sergei Rachmaninoff



### **SPRING MIX: PREMIERES**

April 10 - 12, 2026 AWAACC



**Space Reservation:** 3/13 **Artwork Deadline:** 3/27

#### Discover the Future of Dance!

Spring Mix: Premieres features the work of some of the world's most thrilling choreographers. The Pittsburgh premiere of Mark Godden's Angels In The Architecture, a tribute to the dreams of Shaker communities set to Aaron Copland's evocative Appalachian Spring, will be an utter delight for the senses. The exciting production will also feature a brilliant world premiere from acclaimed choreographer Garrett Smith, the return of Barak Marshall's dynamic Monger and more new work to be announced.



### A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM WITH THE PBT ORCHESTRA



May 15 - 17, 2026 | Benedum Center

Space Reservation: 4/17 Artwork Deadline: 5/1

### A Dreamy Forest Romance!

Based on William Shakespeare's iconic comedy, Ben Stevenson's A Midsummer Night's Dream weaves a magical tale of quarrels and reconciliations between Oberon and Titania, the fairy king and queen, and the romantic misadventures of two mortal couples—all under the mischievous spell of Puck. You will be captivated by the romantic, whimsical story, stunning costumes, lush scenery and vibrant Felix Mendelssohn score, performed live by the PBT Orchestra.

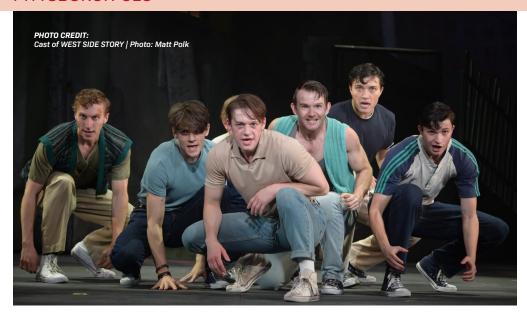
Choreography: Ben Stevenson Music: Felix Mendelssohn

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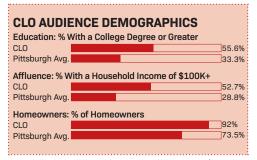


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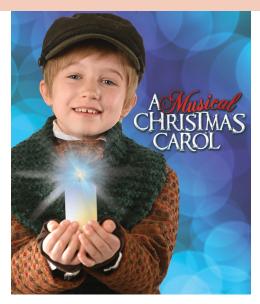


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Since 1946, Pittsburgh CLO has been a driving force in preserving, creating, and promoting live musical theater, entertaining nearly 200,000 patrons annually with its Summer of Musicals, the beloved A MUSICAL CHRISTMAS

CAROL, and innovative works at the Greer Cabaret Theater. As one of the nation's largest regional musical theater organizations, it has launched the careers of artists like Billy Porter and Shirley Jones. Beyond the stage, Pittsburgh CLO enriches the community through educational programs such as the CLO Academy, New Horizons, Gallery of Heroes, Gene Kelly Awards, and the National **High School Musical Theatre** Awards® (Jimmy Awards®). As a vital thread in the region's cultural fabric, Pittsburgh CLO also supports Broadway, contributing to 31 productions, including the Tony Award®-winning AN AMERICAN IN PARIS, Learn more at PITTSBURGHCLO.ORG.





### A MUSICAL CHRISTMAS CAROL

December 13 - 23, 2025\* | Byham Theater \*Dates provided are subject to change without notice

Space Reservation: 11/17 Artwork Deadline: 12/1



### A HOLIDAY TREAT FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!

We've taken the spirit of the season. wrapped it in your favorite yuletide melodies, and tied it up with all the holiday magic and wonder of your childhood.

Join Scrooge, Bob Cratchit, Tiny Tim, and a host of colorful characters for A MUSICAL CHRISTMAS CAROL. With dazzling special effects, holiday charm, and ticket prices even Scrooge would approve of, this Charles Dickens classic is a wonderful way to celebrate all the tradition of the season.

The CLO's tradition of engaging summer programming will continue in the Summer of 2026 - more information to come on advertising opportunities available to reach these great audiences.





### GENE KELLY AWARDS

May 23, 2026 | Benedum Center



Space Reservation: 4/27 Artwork Deadline: 5/11

ONE NIGHT ONLY! Patterned after Broadway's Tony Awards®, this annual sold-out event celebrates the power of arts education with dynamic live student performances and a suspense-filled awards ceremony. Show business veterans and community celebrities help celebrate this award-winning evening as Allegheny County's finest high school performers take center stage at the Benedum Center. With award categories that include Best Ensemble, Best Costume Design and of course Best Musical, this event is a tribute to the enthusiasm, dedication and accomplishments of our area's high school theater programs.

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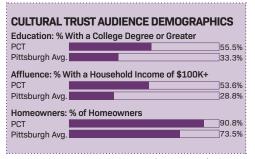


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### PITTSBURGH CULTURAL TRUST: PNC BROADWAY IN PITTSBURGH



# PNC BROADWAY IN PITTSBURGH



\*Source: Management Science Associates, November 2024

The PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh series features new touring Broadway shows and revivals, direct from Broadway.





PHOTO CREDIT: Nick Fradiani as Neil - Then (center) and The Noise in A Beautiful Noise -The Neil Diamond Musical.
Photo by Jeremy Daniel.

### A BEAUTIFUL NOISE – THE NEIL DIAMOND MUSICAL

September 9 - 14, 2025 Benedum Center

Space Reservation: 8/12 Artwork Deadline: 8/26

Created in collaboration with Neil Diamond himself, A BEAUTIFUL NOISE is the uplifting true story of how a kid from Brooklyn became a chart-busting, show-stopping American rock icon. With 120 million albums sold, a catalogue of classics like "America," "Forever in Blue Jeans," and "Sweet Caroline," an induction into the Songwriters and Rock and Roll Halls of Fame, a Grammy® Lifetime Achievement Award, and sold-out concerts around the world that made him bigger than Elvis, Neil Diamond's story was made to shine on Broadway-and head out on the road across America.

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PHOTO CREDIT: Cast of Hell's Kitchen on Broadway. Photo by Marc J Franklin.

### HELL'S KITCHEN

November 4 - 9, 2025 Benedum Center

Space Reservation: 10/7
Artwork Deadline: 10/21



Ali is a 17-year-old girl full of fire – searching for freedom, passion and her place in the world.

How she finds them is a New York City coming-of-age story you've never felt before – HELL'S KITCHEN, a new musical from 16-time Grammy® Award winner Alicia Keys, whose new songs and greatest hits about growing up in NY inspire a story made for Broadway.

Rebellious and stifled by an overprotective single mother, Ali is lost until she meets her mentor: a neighbor who opens her heart and mind to the power of the piano. Set to the rhythm of the 90s, *HELL'S KITCHEN* is a love story between a mother and daughter. It's about finding yourself, your purpose, and the community that lifts you. Come remember where dreams begin.

Hailed as a New York Times Critic's Pick that is, "thrilling from beginning to end – a rare must-see!" *HELL'S KITCHEN* is directed by four-time Tony Award nominee Michael Greif, with choreography by four-time Tony Award nominee Camille A. Brown, a book by Pulitzer Prize finalist Kristoffer Diaz, and the music of Alicia Keys.

### PITTSBURGH CULTURAL TRUST: PNC BROADWAY IN PITTSBURGH



**PHOTO CREDIT:** The Company of the North American tour of CLUE. Photo by Evan Zimmerman for MurphyMade.

### CLUE

December 30, 2025 – January 4, 2026 Benedum Center

**Space Reservation:** 12/2 **Artwork Deadline:** 12/16

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A mansion. A murder. A mystery.

Murder and blackmail are on the menu when six mysterious guests assemble at Boddy Manor for a night they'll never forget! Was it Mrs. Peacock in the study with the knife? Or was it Colonel Mustard in the library with the wrench? Based on the fanfavorite 1985 Paramount Pictures movie and inspired by the classic Hasbro board game, Clue is the ultimate whodunit that will leave you dying of laughter and keep you guessing until the final twist.

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PHOTO CREDIT: Lauren Samuels as Elphaba in the National Tour of WICKED. Photo by Joan Marcus.

### WICKED

January 14 – February 15, 2026 Benedum Center

Space Reservation: 12/17 Artwork Deadline: 12/31



WICKED, the Broadway sensation, looks at what happened in the Land of Oz...but from a different angle. Long before Dorothy arrives, there is another young woman, born with emerald-green skin—smart, fiery, misunderstood, and possessing an extraordinary talent. When she meets a bubbly blonde who is exceptionally popular, their initial rivalry turns into the unlikeliest of friendships...until the world decides to call one "good," and the other one "wicked."

From the first electrifying note to the final breathtaking moment, WICKED—the untold true story of the Witches of Oz—transfixes audiences with its wildly inventive story that USA Today cheers is "a complete triumph! An original musical that will make you laugh, cry, and think."





PHOTO CREDIT: Shubshri Kandiah (Belle) & Brendan Xavier (Beast). Beauty and the Beast Original Australian Cast. Photo by Daniel Boud. ©Disney

### DISNEY'S BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

February 24 – March 1, 2026 Benedum Center

Space Reservation: 1/27 Artwork Deadline: 2/10

Be Our Guest at BEAUTY AND THE BEAST, Disney's first North American production of the beloved musical in over 25 years. This enchanting and timeless tale, filled with the romance and grandeur audiences know and love, has been brought to life like never before, with spectacular new sets and dazzling costumes. The show boasts the Oscar®-winning and Tony Award®-nominated score, including the classic songs "Be Our Guest" and "Beauty and the Beast."

Reuniting to create this new production are members of the original Tony Award®-winning artistic team, including composer Alan Menken, lyricist Tim Rice, book writer Linda Woolverton, with direction and choreography by Matt West, scenic design by Stanley A. Meyer, costume design by Ann Hould-Ward and lighting design by Natasha Katz. BEAUTY AND THE BEAST is the beloved musical that will fill your heart with joy and Disney magic.



### WATER FOR ELEPHANTS

March 31 – April 5, 2026 Benedum Center



**Space Reservation:** 3/3 **Artwork Deadline:** 3/17

"Many wonders await audiences in this gorgeously imaginative Broadway musical." - The New York Times

The critically acclaimed bestselling novel comes to "thrilling, dazzling" life (*Time Out New York*) in a unique, spectacle-filled new musical! Hailed as a Critic's Pick, *The New York Times* calls it "stunning, emotional, heart-filled and gorgeously imaginative."

After losing what matters most, a young man jumps a moving train unsure of where the road will take him and finds a new home with the remarkable crew of a traveling circus, and a life—and love—beyond his wildest dreams. Seen through the eyes of his older self, his adventure becomes a poignant reminder that if you choose the ride, life can begin again at any age.

Tony Award-nominated director Jessica Stone's "huge, heart-filling" production (*The New York Times*) features a book by threetime Tony nominee Rick Elice adapted from Sara Gruen's novel, and a soaring score by the acclaimed PigPen Theatre Co.

So, step right up to the "spellbinding entertainment" (Variety) at WATER FOR ELEPHANTS, "the best new musical on Broadway" (Theatermania).

### PITTSBURGH CULTURAL TRUST: PNC BROADWAY IN PITTSBURGH



PHOTO CREDIT: Maya Lagerstam as Storyteller 1 and Tyler Joseph Ellis as Storyteller 2 in The North American Tour of SHUCKED. Photo by Matthew Murphy and Evan Zimmerman.

### SHUCKED

April 14 - 19, 2026 Benedum Center

Space Reservation: 3/17 Artwork Deadline: 3/31



SHUCKED is the Tony Award®-winning musical comedy The Wall Street Journal calls "flat out hilarious!" And nobody knows funny like economists. Featuring a book by Tony Award winner Robert Horn (Tootsie), a score by the Grammy® Award-winning songwriting team of Brandy Clark and Shane McAnally (Kacey Musgraves' "Follow Your Arrow"), and directed by Tony Award winner Jack O'Brien (Hairspray), this corn-fed, cornbred American musical is sure to satisfy your appetite for great musical theater.



PHOTO CREDIT: The Broadway cast of The Great Gatsby (c) Photo by Matthew Murphy and Evan Zimmerman.

### THE GREAT GATSBY

May 26 - 31, 2026 Benedum Center

Space Reservation: 4/28 Artwork Deadline: 5/12



THE GREAT GATSBY is a "Broadway extravaganza that explodes with life and energy" (Entertainment Weekly). Based on the classic American novel by F. Scott Fitzgerald, the Tony Award®-winning new musical is an unforgettable journey of love, wealth and tragedy that brings the Roaring Twenties to life on stage.

Directed by Marc Bruni (Beautiful: The Carole King Musical), this story of extravagance and longing features choreography by Dominique Kelley (So You Think You Can Dance), a book by Kait Kerrigan (The Mad Ones) and a jazz- and pop-influenced original score by Jason Howland (Little Women) and Nathan Tysen (Paradise Square).

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### **SEASON SPECIALS**



**PHOTO CREDIT:** The North American Tour Boleyn Company of SIX. Photo by Joan Marcus.



### SIX

October 7 - 12, 2025 Benedum Center

**Space Reservation:** 9/9 **Artwork Deadline:** 9/23

Divorced, beheaded, died, divorced, beheaded, survived.

From Tudor Queens to Pop Princesses, the SIX wives of Henry VIII take the mic to remix five hundred years of historical heartbreak into an exuberant celebration of 21st century girl power! This new original musical is the global sensation that everyone is losing their head over. The New York Times says SIX "TOTALLY RULES!" (Critic's Pick) and The Washington Post hails SIX as "Exactly the kind of energizing, inspirational illumination this town aches for! The Broadway season got supercharged!"



PHOTO CREDIT: LES MISERABLES TOUR One Day More. Photo by Matthew Murphy.

### LES MISÉRABLES

November 25 - 30, 2025 Benedum Center



**Space Reservation:** 10/28 **Artwork Deadline:** 11/11

#### STILL THE WORLD'S MOST POPULAR MUSICAL

Cameron Mackintosh presents the acclaimed production of Alain Boublil and Claude-Michel Schönberg's Tony Award-winning musical phenomenon, *Les Misérables*.

This brilliant new staging has taken the world by storm and has been hailed as "Les Mis for the 21st Century" (Huffington Post), "a reborn dream of a production" (Daily Telegraph) and "one of the greatest musicals ever created" (Chicago Tribune).

Set against the backdrop of 19th century France, Les Misérables tells an enthralling story of broken dreams and unrequited love, passion, sacrifice and redemption – a timeless testament to the survival of the human spirit. This epic and uplifting story has become one of the most celebrated musicals in theatrical history.

The magnificent score of Les Misérables includes the songs "I Dreamed a Dream," "On My Own," "Bring Him Home," "One Day More," "Master of the House" and many more. Seen by over 130 million people worldwide in 53 countries and 22 languages, Les Misérables is undisputedly one of the world's most popular musicals.

### **SEASON SPECIALS**



PHOTO CREDIT: ALL THAT JAZZ BUNNY HUG- Featuring Taylor Lane as Velma Kelly and the ensemble of Chicago The Musical. Photo Credit: Jeremy Daniel

### **CHICAGO**

March 10 - 15, 2026 | Benedum Center

**Space Reservation:** 2/10 **Artwork Deadline:** 2/24



CHICAGO is still the one musical with everything that makes Broadway shimmy-shake: a universal tale of fame, fortune, and all that jazz, with one showstopping song after another and the most astonishing dancing you've ever seen.

In the whirlwind of Chicago's Jazz Age, two of the Cook County Jail's most notorious murderesses—vaudeville star Velma Kelly and chorus girl Roxie Hart—become fierce rivals as they compete for headlines amidst a media frenzy.

Broadway's longest-running musical has been razzle dazzling audiences for over 28 years, and after more than 10,000 performances, 6 Tony Awards®, 2 Olivier Awards, and a Grammy®, we're just getting started.

Come on, babe! Head to CHICAGO!

We're hotter than ever.



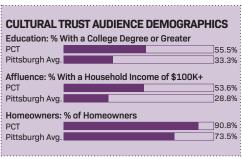




# TRUST FAMILY SERIES



For explorers, discoverers and adventurers of all ages, this multigenerational series promises epic literary odysseys, awardwinning innovative spectacles and beloved tales for the whole family.



\*Source: Management Science Associates, November 2024

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### DOG MAN: THE MUSICAL

September 27, 2025 | Byham Theater

Space Reservation: 9/1 Artwork Deadline: 9/15

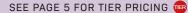


"A howling good time. This show is perfect for everyone." - Newsday

### A Hilarious, Heartfelt Family Adventure!

Based on the worldwide bestselling hit series by Dav Pilkey, Dog Man: The Musical is a hilarious and heartwarming production following the chronicles of Dog Man, who with the head of a dog and the body of a policeman, loves to fight crime and chew on the furniture. But while trying his best to be a good boy, can he save the city from Flippy the cyborg fish and his army of Beasty Buildings? Can he catch Petey, the world's most evil cat, who has cloned himself to exact revenge on the doggy do-gooder? And will George and Harold finish their show before lunchtime?? Find out in this epic musical adventure featuring the hilarity and heart of beloved characters from Day Pilkey, the creator of Captain Underpants and Cat Kid Comic Club. Featuring an exciting book and lyrics by Kevin Del Aguila, music by Brad Alexander, and original direction and choreography by Jen Wineman.

Recommended for ages 6+.









### **THE 4TH WITCH**

October 25, 2025 Byham Theater

**Space Reservation:** 9/29 **Artwork Deadline:** 10/13

Manual Cinema's The 4th Witch is a featurelength work inspired by Shakespeare's Macbeth, depicting the story of a young girl, orphaned from war, who becomes apprenticed to the three witches. Told through shadow puppetry, actors in silhouette and live music (without dialogue or narration), The 4th Witch begins on the eve of an invasion of a small town by the local warlord, Macbeth. The girl flees the invading army and escapes into the nearby forest. There, she is rescued by the witches. They agree to take the girl on as an apprentice, on the condition that she must never use her powers for revenge. Consumed by grief and rage, the girl comes to realize that it was Macbeth who killed her father - and that she must choose between reconciliation or vengeance.

The 4th Witch, an inversion of Shakespeare's Macbeth, explores themes of grief, war, generational conflict, and cycles of violence through the collateral damage left behind on the battleground.

The 4th Witch is thematically appropriate for audience members ages 12 and up.



PHOTO CREDIT: Maike Schulz

### OMNIUM CIRCUS: I'MPOSSIBLE

November 22, 2025 Byham Theater

Space Reservation: 10/27
Artwork Deadline: 11/10

Omnium Circus is the best in whole family entertainment: A world renowned, fully inclusive circus company bringing excitement, thrills and joy to the young and young at heart as only a circus can! Step into a world of all things possible where we discover the power of the human spirit within each of us!

Bring the family for a perfect day out with a show that is unlike any other, featuring the only Circus in the world that creates an inclusive experience for audiences and performers celebrating both determination and success — whatever the challenge.

Bringing generations together in joy, there is something for everyone at Omnium!

### PITTSBURGH CULTURAL TRUST: TRUST FAMILY SERIES



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### DINOSAUR WORLD LIVE

January 17, 2026 Byham Theater



**Space Reservation:** 12/22 **Artwork Deadline:** 1/5

Dare to experience the dangers and delights of *Dinosaur World Live* in this Olivier awardwinning interactive show for all the family.

Grab your compass and join our intrepid explorer across uncharted territories to discover a pre-historic world of astonishing (and remarkably life-like) dinosaurs. Meet a host of impressive creatures, including every child's favourite flesh-eating giant, the Tyrannosaurus Rex, a Triceratops, Giraffatitan, Microraptor and Segnosaurus!

A special meet and greet after the show offers all our brave explorers the chance to make a new dinosaur friend.

Now an international smash hit, *Dinosaur World Live* is back by popular demand, ready for its third major US tour.

Don't miss this entertaining and mindexpanding jurassic adventure, live on stage.



### THE GREAT RACE: THE STORY OF THE CHINESE ZODIAC

March 14, 2026 Byham Theater



Space Reservation: 2/16
Artwork Deadline: 3/2

Join our characters, Po Po and Kung Kung, as they celebrate Chinese New Year by making dumplings and sharing the story of The Great Race with their grandkids, Freddie and Ivy. The show weaves a family celebration with a re-telling of one of the most beloved tales in Chinese folklore—the origin story of the Chinese Zodiac.

When the Jade Emperor needs a way to tell time, he decrees that there will be a Great Race. The first twelve animals to cross the mighty river will have a year named after them. This 12-year cycle will mark the passage of time. Which animals win the race? What are the traits that help them cross the river? Why do the Rat and Cat become enemies? Learn how each animal earned its place in the Chinese Zodiac through this new performance from HTY, featuring a cast of 4, traditional Chinese music, Jingju and martial arts, and a whole lot of fun!

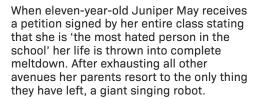






March 21, 2026 Byham Theater

**Space Reservation:** 2/23 **Artwork Deadline:** 3/9



Based on a true story, *Robot Song* illustrates the profound, transformative nature of creativity that when combined with unconditional love, becomes an unstoppable force. For Juniper, creativity opens doors into places she never knew existed, allowing her, for the first time, to be defined on her own terms.

Robot Song is a deeply personal story. It shares an honest, intensely funny and often unconventional window into writer, director Jolyon James' experience parenting a child on the Autism Spectrum. The show poses and attempts to answer the question, how do we support, foster and celebrate difference in our children in the face of an increasingly rigid and homogenized world?

Robot Song is a genuine family show. It is joyful and full of hope. It is for any child who has ever felt isolated or pushed to the margins and any parent desperate for tools to help. The show employs cutting edge digital technology, startling animatronics and a beautiful original musical score.



### HARE & TORTOISE

April 19, 2026 Byham Theater

Space Reservation: 3/23 Artwork Deadline: 4/6

Two unlikely friends, the Hare and the Tortoise, meet for the greatest race on earth. A race with a nail-biting, secondsticking, medal winning-end, that will determine who is the quickest of all-the excitable Hare or the wise Tortoise.

Ready? Steady? It is time to GO!

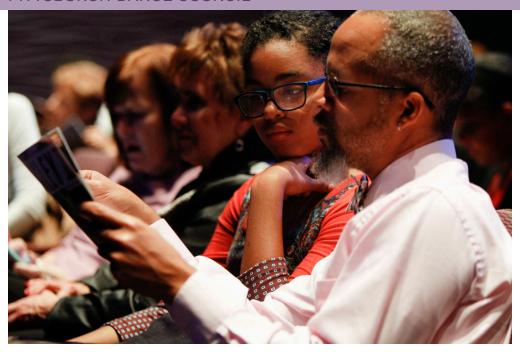
The story bursts to life in sunny spring, moves through a playful summer, and concludes in the snowy frost of winter! Enjoy this charming adaptation of Aesop's fable about friendship, opposites, and growing up.

Tutti Frutti Productions brings you this much-loved story brimming with fun, live music, unforgettable songs, and delightful characters, who learn that slow and steady wins the race. The Hare and the Tortoise is touring beginning autumn 2025, bringing joy to families and children aged 3+.

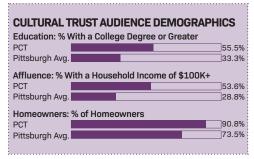
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### PITTSBURGH CULTURAL TRUST: PITTSBURGH DANCE COUNCIL



# PITTSBURGH DANCE COUNCIL



\*Source: Management Science Associates, November 2024

Exceptional, world-class contemporary dance in Pittsburgh. Each company brings its own unique voice, reminding us of the versatility and importance of dance as an art form.





PHOTO CREDIT: Mélanie Lhôte

### COMPAGNIE HERVÉ KOUBI

September 20, 2025 | 7:30 pm Byham Theater



Space Reservation: 8/25 Artwork Deadline: 9/8

#### Sol Invictus

"They Fly. They Spin. They Change How You See the Amazing." – The New York Times

Named after the "invincible sun" deity, the work upholds love as the guarantor of peace, that despite fracture, communion emerges as humanity's saving grace. The music score includes a composition by Swedish composer Mikael Karlsson, with excerpts by Steve Reich and digital composer Maxime Bodson. "I want to talk about light, solidarity, and those bonds that unite us," says Koubi, "Here, the sun and the dance will emerge victorious."



PHOTO CREDIT: Nirvair Singh Rai DANCERS: Aakash Odedra and Hu Shenyuan

### AAKASH ODEDRA COMPANY

October 11, 2025 | 7:30 pm Byham Theater



Space Reservation: 9/15 **Artwork Deadline:** 9/29

#### Samsara

Inspired by the classic Chinese novel Journey to the West, Samsara is a spellbinding piece that traces the steps we take, both forward and backward, in search of our higher selves. UK/Indian dancer Aakash Odedra and Chinese dancer Hu Shenyuan draw on the dance traditions of their respective countries to explore the notion of samsara: the wheel of life, of birth. existence and re-birth. Drawing on thinking and imagery at the heart of Buddhist philosophy. Samsara's mythological storytelling merges with personal experience from two globally opposite perspectives in a seductive, astonishing journey of twin movement.

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### PITTSBURGH CULTURAL TRUST: PITTSBURGH DANCE COUNCIL



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### MARTHA GRAHAM DANCE COMPANY

January 28, 2026 | 7:30 pm Byham Theater

Space Reservation: 12/31 **Artwork Deadline: 1/14** 

#### Mixed Repertory Program

Celebrating its 100th anniversary, the Martha Graham Dance Company, the oldest dance company in the United States, is renowned for its legendary and groundbreaking style of modern dance. Described by the New York Times as "spellbinding and as prescient as ever," the Company continues to captivate audiences with Graham's iconic works, alongside an exciting new creation made especially for the company's centennial!



PHOTO CREDIT: Teresa Castracane

### STEP AFRIKA!

February 13, 2026 | 7:30 pm Byham Theater



Space Reservation: 1/16 Artwork Deadline: 1/30

The Migration: Reflections on Jacob

Lawrence

Step Afrika!'s signature work The Migration: Reflections on Jacob Lawrence charts the story of African Americans moving from the rural South to the industrial North to escape Jim Crow, racial oppression, and lynchings in the early 1900s. Inspired by Jacob Lawrence's iconic 60-panel "The Migration Series" (1940-41), this signature work from the award-winning dance company uses the images, color palette, and motifs in the painting series to tell this astonishing story through pulsating rhythms and visually stunning movement.

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### A.I.M BY KYLE ABRAHAM

May 9, 2026 | 7:30 pm Byham Theater

Space Reservation: 4/13
Artwork Deadline: 4/27



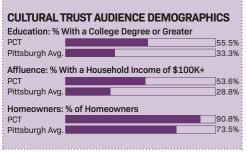
Contemporary dance company A.I.M by Kyle Abraham, considered "one of the most consistently excellent troupes working today" (*The New York Times*), provides multifaceted performances, educational programming, and community-based workshops across the globe. Led by acclaimed Choreographer and Artistic Director Kyle Abraham's innovative vision, the work is galvanized by Black culture and history and features the rich tapestry of Black and Queer stories, and is grounded in a conglomeration of unique perspectives; described by Abraham as a "post-modern gumbo" of movement exploration. Abraham is thrilled to return to his hometown Pittsburgh to showcase an evening of work of his own and Andrea Miller.



### PITTSBURGH CULTURAL TRUST: TRUST CABARET SERIES



## TRUST CABARET SERIES



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The Trust Cabaret Series offers patrons a rare opportunity to see Broadway's stars and today's world-class leading vocalists on stage in Pittsburgh's Cultural District. The cabaret genre provides a truly unique experience that combines engaging storytelling with world-class vocal talent. The Trust Cabaret Series has featured some of the brightest stars from Broadway, Hollywood, and the music industry who have dazzled our audiences over the years.



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### ISAAC MIZRAHI

October 6, 2025 | 7:00 & 9:30 pm Greer Cabaret Theater

**Space Reservation:** 9/8 **Artwork Deadline:** 9/22



Actor, host, writer, designer and producer Isaac Mizrahi's one-of-akind show blends comedy, commentary and an array of classic (and soon-to-be-classic) songs from Sondheim and Blondie to Comden & Green and Madonna. Accompanied by his six-piece jazz band, *TheaterMania* proclaims "[he's] the real deal when it comes to cabaret: He's charming, he sounds great, and he is seriously funny".

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### PITTSBURGH CULTURAL TRUST: TRUST CABARET SERIES



### SIERRA BOGGESS

November 10, 2025 | 7:00 & 9:30 pm Greer Cabaret Theater

Space Reservation: 10/13 Artwork Deadline: 10/27



Sierra has enjoyed an illustrious career on Broadway and beyond. Selected credits include The Little Mermaid, Harmony, School of Rock, It Shoulda Been You, The Phantom of the Opera, Love Never Dies, Master Class, Les Misérables, The Goodbye Girl, Guys & Dolls, and more. Boggess is also renowned for several studio recordings and film/tv projects including Vulture Club and web series What's Your Emergency.

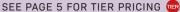






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### **JESSICA VOSK**

February 16, 2026 | 7:00 & 9:30 pm Greer Cabaret Theater

Space Reservation: 1/19 Artwork Deadline: 2/2



A celebrated singer & actress, Jessica Vosk's spectacular talents are on display in her eclectic mix of musical theater visionaries, timeless singer-songwriters, pop stunners, and more. Best known for her star turn as Elphaba in *Wicked*, Vosk has sold out Carnegie Hall and delights audiences with her singular flavor of talent, sincerity, humor, and "powerhouse and pristine vocals" (*Playbill*).



PHOTO CREDIT: Caitlin McNaney

### EVA NOBLEZADA

March 9, 2026 | 7:00 & 9:30 pm Greer Cabaret Theater



**Space Reservation:** 2/9 **Artwork Deadline:** 2/23

Currently starring as Sally Bowles (Broadway revival, Cabaret), Noblezada most recently originated lead role Daisy in Broadway's The Great Gatsby and reprised Eurydice (Hadestown, West End) for which she won a Grammy and garnered her 2nd Tony nomination following her earlier nod for 2017's Miss Saigon. Film credits include Amblin's Easter Sunday, AppleTV+'s animated Luck, and Sony Pictures's Yellow Rose.



### JEREMY JORDAN

May 11, 2026 | 7:00 & 9:30 pm Greer Cabaret Theater

**Space Reservation:** 4/13 **Artwork Deadline:** 4/27

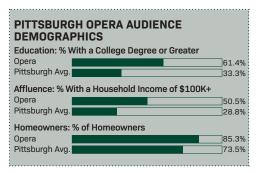


An award-winning actor/musician regarded for his thought-provoking, signature performance style, Jeremy Jordan hits the Greer Cabaret Theater to showcase his genre-spanning repertoire across the Broadway stage and screen. Experience songs and tales from his storied career including selections from Newsies, Smash, The Last 5 Years, Little Shop of Horrors, The Great Gatsby, and more.

### PITTSBURGH OPERA



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Pittsburgh Opera enriches Pittsburgh and the tri-state area, and draws national and international attention to the region, by:

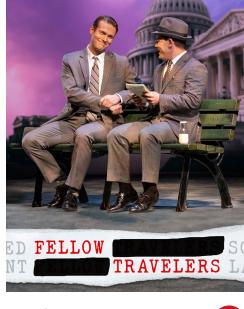
- Creating live opera at the highest standards of artistic excellence
- Making opera accessible to a diverse audience
- Developing young singers into tomorrow's artists

The 7th-oldest opera company in the United States, 2025-26 marks Pittsburgh Opera's 87th season.

English supertitles are projected above the stage at all performances.







October 18, 21, 23, 24, 26, 2025 Benedum Center

Space Reservation: 9/22
Artwork Deadline: 10/2

#### When a candle flickers, love sparks.

Set against the backdrop of 1830's Paris, La Bohème follows four impoverished artists surviving with little more than friendship, passion, and their love for art.

When Roldolfo, a poet, and Mimì, a young seamstress, meet, the two are drawn into a tumultuous and passionate affair with a love that can only be broken by death.

La Bohème will make you laugh, and bring you to tears, with its timeless story and captivating music. Emotional and dramatic, it's no wonder Puccini's most celebrated opera has transcended the genre, inspiring both a ballet and the Broadway hit musical RENT.

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November 14, 15, 16, 2025 Byham Theater

**Space Reservation:** 10/17 **Artwork Deadline:** 10/29

#### The Red Scare, tinted lavender.

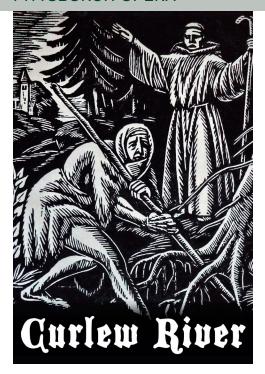
At the height of the McCarthy era, naive college graduate Timothy Laughlin comes to Washington eager to join the crusade against communism. But a chance encounter with a handsome State Department official, Hawkins Fuller, leads to Tim's first job—and his first relationship with a man.

Under the threat of increased government scrutiny, this complicated and clandestine affair will put both men's loyalties and convictions to the ultimate test. As the poisonous political climate pollutes their relationship, love becomes a casualty of what it takes to "play the game" in Washington.

Based on Thomas Mallon's 2007 gutwrenching novel, *Fellow Travelers* was praised as "a near-perfect example of fastflowing musical drama" by *The New York Times* and is already widely considered a contemporary classic.

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#### PITTSBURGH OPERA



January 24, 27, 30, February 1, 2026 Calvary Episcopal Church, Shadyside

Space Reservation: 12/29
Artwork Deadline: 1/8



#### Flow with fate.

A woman driven mad by the mystery of her lost son learns of her boy's unfortunate fate from a chance encounter with a Ferryman while crossing a river.

Based on the Japanese Noh play Sumidigawa River, Curlew River retells this story as a Christian parable. Written in the style of monastic plain song and laden with musical symbolism, this piece artfully melds theatrical simplicity with ecumenical grandeur.

In keeping with these themes and this opera's history, *Curlew River* will be staged at Calvary Episcopal Church in Shadyside.



February 28, March 3, 6, 8, 2026 Bitz Opera Factory, Strip District



Space Reservation: 2/2
Artwork Deadline: 2/12

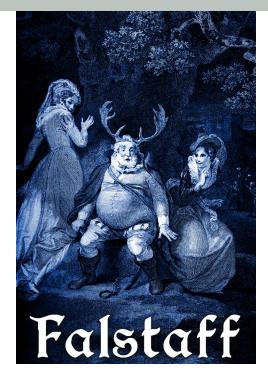
#### Build the world vou want to see.

A group of high school students prepares for a production of Sophocles' *Antigone*, joined by a new student, Alona, who comes with a formidable secret.

Pittsburgh Opera is proud to present this gripping world premiere. *Time to Act* demonstrates how the arts can uplift and unify victims of trauma, empowering them to act, while giving voice to the young citizens who have been most impacted by an ongoing cycle of devasting school violence.

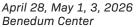
Time to Act is composed by Laura Kaminsky, whose acclaimed opera As One has become the most-produced modern opera in America. Emmy Award nominee Crystal Manich, the librettist, is a Pittsburgh Opera mainstay whose works for stage, film, and circus have been seen across the United States, Europe, Argentina, and Australia.



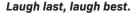








Space Reservation: 3/31 Artwork Deadline: 4/10



Beloved buffoon Sir John Falstaff has fallen on hard times. But being a ladies' man (or so he'd like to think), he drunkenly schemes to cash in on his wit and charm by wooing the wealthy wives of Windsor, Alice Ford and Meg Page. However, when these women uncover that he has sent them both identical love letters, they hatch a plan of their own to teach Falstaff a lesson he won't soon forget!

The music matches the merriment and mischief of this madcap romp. See why Verdi's buoyant comedy, based on Shakespeare's *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, is considered one of the best comedic operas of all time.



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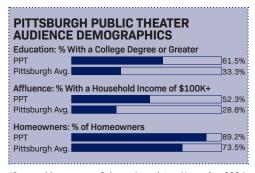


## PITTSBURGH PUBLIC THEATER

Pittsburgh Public Theater returns with an incredible slate of shows we all need "Now More Than Ever." This season opens with "the funniest comedy of all time," NOISES OFF before heading into the hustle and bustle of the holidays with our favorite new tradition, A CHRISTMAS STORY: THE PLAY. The New Year will bring two Pittsburgh Premieres. Direct from Broadway, a thrilling new adaptation of AN ENEMY OF THE

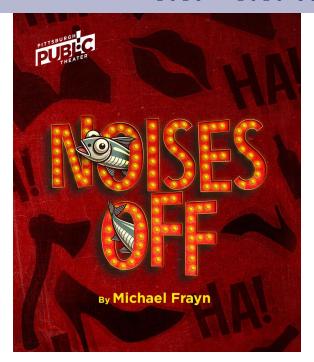
PEOPLE takes to the O'Reilly stage directed by Marya Sea Kaminski. Finally, we'll finish the season with the Pittsburgh premiere of the 2024 Pulitzer Prize Winner for Drama, PRIMARY TRUST.

For tickets and information, call 412.316.1600 or visit www.PPT.org.



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#### **NOISES OFF**

October 1 - 19, 2025 | O'Reilly Theater



**Space Reservation:** 9/3 **Artwork Deadline:** 9/17

By: Michael Frayn

**Director:** Margot Bordelon

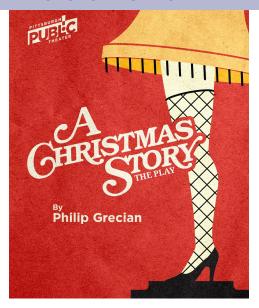
Regarded as the ultimate theatrical farce, *Noises Off* is a riotous rollercoaster of slamming doors, romantic entanglements, and slapstick chaos. Behind the scenes of a disastrous play-within-a-play, a troupe of hapless thespians struggle to bring their production to life. As their rehearsals descend into comedic catastrophe, the actors, director, and stage manager learn the hilarious and hard way what happens when everything that can go wrong does. This uproarious journey will leave you laughing until the final curtain.

"Noises Off" is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Samuel French, Inc. www.concordtheatricals.com

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#### PITTSBURGH PUBLIC THEATER





December 4 - 21, 2025 O'Reilly Theater

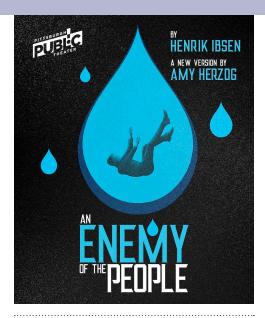
**Space Reservation:** 11/6 **Artwork Deadline:** 11/20

Play by: Philip Grecian Directed: Michael Berresse

Be a holiday hero and bring your brood downtown this season to bask in the warm glow of holiday lights and experience the joy of a tale that is anything but your average Christmas "story." From the cozy charm of the Parker family home to the festive frenzy of Higbee's department store, this all-star production brings merry magic to your beloved characters live on stage. It's not just a Christmas story, it's a holiday experience you and your entire family will cherish for years to come.

This show is rated PG for allusion to explicit language, brief and mild violence on stage, themes of bullying, and romantic innuendo. Suitable for most audiences with guidance urged for pre-teens.

"Produced by special arrangement with DRAMATIC PUBLISHING, Woodstock, Illinois"



#### AN ENEMY OF THE PEOPLE

February 4 - 22, 2026 O'Reilly Theater

Space Reservation: 1/7
Artwork Deadline: 1/21

A New Version by Amy Herzog

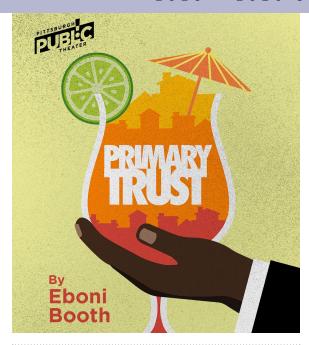
Play by: Henrik Ibsen

Directed: Marya Sea Kaminski

Fresh from its Tony Award®-winning and headline-making Broadway run, Amy Herzog's enthralling adaptation of Ibsen's 1883 classic delivers a searing tale of truth versus corruption. When idealist Dr. Thomas Stockman uncovers life-threatening contamination at his town's new spa, his fight to expose this ignites bitter battles between foes, friends, and family that shake the fragile community to its core. With echoes of our modern political and cultural landscape, this gripping environmentalist parable lays bare the price of integrity in a society where profit often outweighs justice. Hailed as "Crackling and persuasive" by The New York Times.

"An Enemy of the People (Herzog)" is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Samuel French, Inc. www.concordtheatricals.com





#### **PRIMARY TRUST**

March 25 - April 12, 2026 | O'Reilly Theater

**Space Reservation:** 2/25 **Artwork Deadline:** 3/11



By: Eboni Booth Director: Kyle Haden

To make the perfect mai tai, you only need a few simple ingredients: rum, fruit juice, and simple syrup. But crafting a Pulitzer Prize-winning play? That takes something far more special. In her acclaimed *Primary Trust*, Eboni Booth masterfully blends sweet and sour characters, a splash of comedy and drama, and yes, bottomless mai tais to serve up an intoxicating tale of the immeasurable impact of radical kindness. After a career setback, lovable loner Kenneth must confront his demons, both real and imagined, only to discover angels around every corner in a community he never thought he belonged to. His journey is a poignant, uplifting, and deeply human one sure to linger long after the final sip.

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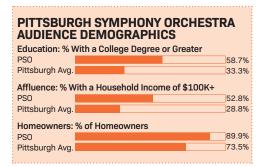
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#### PITTSBURGH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA



# PITTSBURGH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA



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Our character is unique among orchestras, inseparable from the city that shaped us, and willingly taking risks for the thrill of achieving something extraordinary. In the 2025/26 Season, we commemorate the 250th anniversary of our country's founding. We draw upon our rich and storied tradition in the inventiveness, energy, and diversity of American music.







#### SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER COMBO BOOK



#### Space Reservation: 8/29 Artwork Deadline: 9/12



#### **BNY CLASSICS:** DVOŘÁK'S EIGHTH

September 26, 2025 | 7:30 pm September 28, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Manfred Honeck, conductor Alexi Kenny, violin

- Christopher Theofanidis: Rainbow Body
- Sibelius: Violin Concerto
- Dvořák: Symphony No. 8

A powerful violin concerto is brought to life by an equally exciting soloist - Alexi Kenney has quickly risen through the classical music world and has all the makings of superstardom. He takes on a work that is devastatingly emotional and beautiful - then, experience Dvořak's Eighth - as exciting and tuneful as his famous New World (if not more so). The concert begins with an extraordinary American composition that will immerse you in gorgeous sound.



#### PNC POPS: **COME SWING WITH ME**

October 3, 2025 | 7:30 pm October 4, 2025 | 7:30 pm October 5, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Byron Stripling, conductor Paul Loren, vocalist

Hit the Las Vegas strip of the 1950's, where the biggest names in show biz had sway and a well-poured martini was never far away. From Sinatra and the Rat Pack to Louis Prima and Bobby Darin, the young, soulful crooner Paul Loren takes you on a musical journey through The Great American Songbook and highlights some of the most iconic voices of all time along the way.

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#### SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER COMBO BOOK (CONT.)



#### Space Reservation: 8/29 Artwork Deadline: 9/12



#### BNY CLASSICS: SYMPHONIE FANTASTIQUE

October 10, 2025 | 7:30 pm October 11, 2025 | 7:30 pm October 12, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Robin Ticciati, conductor Francesco Piemontesi, piano

• Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 4 • Berlioz: Symphonie fantastique

Passionate dreams turn to demonic nightmares: a march to the scaffold. A church bell tolls. Damnation. Berlioz's "Fantasy Symphony" is one in which he bared his soul in music - and it's been an audience favorite ever since. Then, experience one of Beethoven's greatest works for the piano with the mesmerizing pianist Francesco Piemontesi.



#### BNY CLASSICS: SIBELIUS' FINLANDIA

October 17, 2025 | 7:30 pm October 19, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Dalia Stasevska, conductor Leila Josefowicz, violin

 Caroline Shaw: The Observatory • Stravinsky: Violin Concerto • Sibelius: Symphony No. 6 • Sibelius: Finlandia

You'll get chills right from the opening of Finlandia – a powerful piece that had its origins in proclaiming national identity and independence from Russia. The beauty of the natural world continues in Sibelius's Sixth, a gem that's shockingly underperformed in the orchestral canon. And you might hear echoes of the Firebird in Stravinsky's Violin Concerto, one of his most unique and charming works, here performed by the sensational Leila Josefowicz, a MacArthur "genius" Fellow.

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#### SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER COMBO BOOK (CONT.)



Space Reservation: 8/29 Artwork Deadline: 9/12



#### TIM BURTON'S THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE **CHRISTMAS** (FILM WITH LIVE ORCHESTRA)

October 25, 2025 | 7:30 pm October 26, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Based on an original poem and characters created by Tim Burton, the film was first released in 1993 as The Nightmare Before Christmas. Directed by Henry Selick (James and the Giant Peach), the film follows the earnest-but-misguided adventures of Jack Skellington, Halloween Town's beloved Pumpkin King. Bored with the same old scare-and-scream routine of Halloween, Jack longs to try something new. Convinced that he can spread the joy of Christmas and against the advice of Sally, a caring and clever ragdoll, Jack enlists three mischievous trick-or-treaters - Lock, Shock, and Barrel - to kidnap Santa Claus. But Jack's merry mission puts Santa in jeopardy and creates a nightmare for good little boys and girls everywhere.

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## **NOVEMBER COMBO BOOK**

Space Reservation: 10/3 Artwork Deadline: 10/17



#### PNC POPS: **BUGS BUNNY AT THE** SYMPHONY

October 31, 2025 | 7:30 pm November 1, 2025 | 7:30 pm November 2, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### George Daugherty, conductor

"What's Up, Doc?" Bugs Bunny turns 85 in grand, symphonic style! Your Pittsburgh Symphony premiered the audience favorite Bugs Bunny at the Symphony when it first debuted in 1990, and now it's back with a new edition, celebrating Bugs Bunny's 85th Anniversary, and the concert's 35th. Sixteen beloved, classic Looney Tunes are projected on the big screen, while the PSO plays their iconic, classicallyinfused original scores live! "What's Opera, Doc?" "The Rabbit of Seville." "Long-Haired Hare," "Corny Concerto," "Baton Bunny," and other vintage treasures will be combined with dynamic new additions. Conducted by Emmy Award™ winner George Daugherty, and created by Daugherty and Emmy Award™ winner David Ka Lik Wong, this high-energy production will be a blast!



#### BNY CLASSICS: GRIMAUD PLAYS GERSHWIN

November 7, 2025 | 7:30 pm November 9, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Domingo Hindoyan, conductor Helene Grimaud, piano

- Roberto Sierra: Alegría • Gershwin: Piano Concerto • Franck: Symphony in D minor

The worthy sequel to the universally-beloved Rhapsody in Blue, Gershwin's Concerto in F is a thrilling work of jazz rhythms, grand soaring melodies, and pianistic fireworks and it's an extra-special treat to hear it from the sensational pianist Hélène Grimaud. Franck's perennially popular — and insistently tuneful — Symphony in D minor will sweep you off your feet as well. But you might fall most in love with Puerto Rican composer Roberto Sierra's Alegría, which pushes the envelope with fun, exciting Latin American rhythms.

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## NOVEMBER COMBO BOOK (CONT.)

Space Reservation: 10/3 Artwork Deadline: 10/17



#### BNY CLASSICS: FERRÁNDEZ PLAYS SAINT-SAËNS

November 14, 2025 | 7:30 pm November 16, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Juraj Valčuha, conductor Pablo Ferrández, cello

Julia Wolfe: Liberty Bell

- Saint-Saëns: Cello Concerto No. 1

• Strauss: Ein Heldenleben

A concert for lovers of that deep, soulful cello sound: Prizewinner at the XV International Tchaikovsky Competition, Pablo Ferrández has been hailed as a "new cello genius" (Le Figaro) – and the overflowing passion and emotion of the Saint-Saëns is the perfect piece to hear him on. Plus, you'll experience Strauss's famous Ein Heldenleben – A Hero's Life – chocked full of tuneful melodies that illustrate the perils and triumph of a hero's journey.



#### ELF IN CONCERT (FILM WITH LIVE ORCHESTRA)

November 21, 2025 | 7:00 pm November 23, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Buddy was accidentally transported to the North Pole as a toddler and raised to adulthood among Santa's elves. Unable to shake the feeling that he doesn't fit in, the adult Buddy travels to New York, in full elf uniform, in search of his real father. This holiday season, relive this heartwarming holiday classic on a giant screen as every note of John Debney's wonderful score is played live to picture in: *Elf in Concert*!

## **NOVEMBER COMBO BOOK (CONT.)**

Space Reservation: 10/3 Artwork Deadline: 10/17



#### BNY CLASSICS: HIMARI PLAYS BRUCH

November 28, 2025 | 7:30 pm November 30, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Manfred Honeck. conductor Himari. violin

- Haydn: Symphony No. 100, "Military"

• Bruch: Violin Concerto No. 1

• Carlos Simon: Festive Fanfare Overture

Strauss: Viennese Favorites

It's one of the world's most famous Violin Concertos – performed by a once-in-a-generation talent, who at only age 14 has captured the attention of the music world with her incredible technique and nuanced interpretations. This is paired with a tribute to the "Waltz King" for Johann Strauss's 200th birthday – brought to life with all of the charm, wit, and beauty that Manfred Honeck brings to his interpretations of the music from his home.

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#### **DECEMBER COMBO BOOK**



Space Reservation: 11/4 Artwork Deadline: 11/18



#### CARNEGIE HALL PREVIEW

December 2, 2025 | 7:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Manfred Honeck, conductor Seong-Jin Cho, piano

• Lera Auerbach: Frozen Dreams

 Rachmaninoff: Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini

• Shostakovich: Symphony No. 5

A one-night-only blockbuster: the PSO makes its highly anticipated return to Carnegie Hall for the first time since 2010. Hear the concert first in Pittsburgh with Seong-Jin Cho, one of today's most in-demand and exciting pianists on Rachmaninoff's fiery and passionate Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini. Then, Shostakovich's famous Fifth Symphony (the PSO is renowned for its performances of Shostakovich; its 2017 recording received two Grammy awards).



#### BNY CLASSICS: SHOSTAKOVICH'S FIFTH

December 5, 2025 | 7:30 pm December 7, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Manfred Honeck, conductor David McCarroll, violin

Copland: "Fanfare for the Common Man"

• Beethoven: Violin Concerto

• Shostakovich: Symphony No. 5

In 1937 at the height of the Stalinist purges, Shostakovich was in disgrace—an outcast who was in fear of his life. In these darkest moments, he somehow found the courage to write his Fifth Symphony, which has become one of the greatest works of classical music, capturing the unsettling, uncertain mood of the time and bringing you to heroic triumph (but, hidden inside, is it critical of the Soviet regime?). Your night will also feature Beethoven's Violin Concerto, featuring Concertmaster David McCaroll as soloist, has been called "one of the most beautiful and beloved of all concertos."

## DECEMBER COMBO BOOK (CONT.)

Space Reservation: 11/4 Artwork Deadline: 11/18





December 9, 2025 | 7:30 pm Heinz Hall

Handel: Messiah

Manfred Honeck, conductor
Emily Pogorelc, soprano
Reginald Mobley, countertenor
John Matthew Myers, tenor
Troy Cook, baritone
The Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh

- Handel: Messiah

Immerse yourself in the majestic sounds of this epic oratorio. From the powerful "Hallelujah" chorus to the uplifting arias and soaring verses, Handel's *Messiah* is a musical journey that transcends time.

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## **HOLIDAY POPS**



#### HIGHMARK HOLIDAY POPS

December 12, 2025 | 7:30 pm December 13, 2025 | 7:30 pm December 14, 2025 | 2:30 pm December 19, 2025 | 7:30 pm December 20, 2025 | 2:30 pm December 20, 2025 | 7:30 pm December 21, 2025 | 2:30 pm December 21, 2025 | 7:30 pm Heinz Hall

Daniel Meyer, conductor
Blaine Alden Krauss, vocalist
The Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh
The Tamburitzans

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Celebrate the holiday season with the Pittsburgh Symphony, the Mendelssohn Choir, and guest vocalist Blaine Alden Krauss in this traditional offering of music for the season. Featuring "Sleigh Ride" and the "Hallelujah" chorus, as well as singalongs and a very special guest – all in the festive Yuletide splendor of Heinz Hall. Fun for the whole family!



## DECEMBER COMBO BOOK (CONT.)

Space Reservation: 11/4 Artwork Deadline: 11/18



#### TRISHA YEARWOOD

December 18, 2025 | 7:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Trisha Yearwood, vocalist

Experience the magic of the holiday season with the incomparable Trisha Yearwood with the Pittsburgh Symphony! This promises to be a heartwarming and unforgettable holiday celebration, blending the festive spirit of Christmas with the power and emotion of Trisha Yearwood's signature sound, all backed by your PSO. Get ready for an enchanting evening of holiday cheer and timeless music!

## JANUARY COMBO BOOK 5

Space Reservation: 12/15 Artwork Deadline: 12/29



#### HARRY POTTER AND THE HALF-BLOOD PRINCE IN CONCERT (FILM WITH LIVE ORCHESTRA)

January 10, 2026 | 7:00 pm January 11, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Relive the magic of year six in Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince™ in Concert. With this film, based on the sixth installment of the classic saga, fans of all ages can now experience the thrilling tale of Harry's obsession with a mysterious potions book accompanied by the music of a live symphony orchestra as Harry soars across the big screen in HD!



#### BNY CLASSICS: SIBELIUS' SECOND

January 16, 2026 | 7:30 pm January 18, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Dima Slobodeniouk, conductor Lucas and Arthur Jussen, pianos

- Lotta Wennakoski: Flounce
- Poulenc: Double Piano Concerto
- Sibelius: Symphony No. 2

Mischievous, lyrical, and full of surprises, Poulenc's concerto is a dazzling showcase, blending classical grace with jazz influences. Featured soloists Lucas and Arthur Jussen are social media superstars known for their energetic, playing and gripping interpretations. With its rich, sweeping melodies and powerful brass chorales, the Second Symphony has become one of Sibelius's most famous works – vividly evoking the beauty of his native Finland.



### JANUARY COMBO BOOK (CONT.)

Space Reservation: 12/15 Artwork Deadline: 12/29



#### BNY CLASSICS: ŠPAČEK PLAYS DVOŘÁK

January 23, 2026 | 7:30 pm January 25, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Petr Popelka, conductor Josef Špaček, violin

• Brahms: Academic Festival Overture

Dvořák: Violin Concerto

• Bartok: Concerto for Orchestra

Immersed in the musical traditions of his homeland, Dvořák's Violin Concerto delights in spicy folk-like elements full of character, nimbleness, and lyrical drama - and we're in for a treat with violinist Josef Spaček, who has emerged as one of the leading violinists of his generation. Bartók's dazzling, thrilling, and immensely popular concerto is a virtuosic tour-de-force for the entire orchestra.

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## JANUARY COMBO BOOK (CONT.)

Space Reservation: 12/15 Artwork Deadline: 12/29



#### PNC POPS: RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S SOUTH PACIFIC IN CONCERT

January 30, 2026 | 7:30 pm January 31, 2026 | 7:30 pm February 1, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Andy Einhorn, conductor

The beloved Rodgers and Hammerstein classic comes to life in an extraordinary concert event. Relive iconic songs like "Some Enchanted Evening," "Bali Ha'i," and "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outa My Hair," all brought to you with breathtaking vocals and lush orchestration performed by your Pittsburgh Symphony. Music soars and the island magic never fades in South Pacific.

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## FEBRUARY COMBO BOOK

Space Reservation: 1/9 Artwork Deadline: 1/23



#### BNY CLASSICS: **BRAHMS' THIRD**

February 6, 2026 | 7:30 pm February 8, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Manfred Honeck, conductor Guatier Capuçon, cello

 Walker: Lyric for Strings • Brahms: Symphony No. 3 Dvořák: Cello Concerto.

This showcase of three captivating, heartfelt masterpieces is highlighted by the PSO debut of acclaimed cellist Gautier Capuçon performing Dvořák's much-loved Cello Concerto, a wistful, lyrical love letter to his Bohemian homeland. Brahms' Third is the perfect symphony to experience if you love passionate romantic melodies that bring out the amazing color and depth of the full orchestra. George Walker's Lyric is a deeply moving work, the first African-American composer to win the Pulitzer Prize for Music.



#### BNY CLASSICS: SYMPHONIC DANCES FROM WEST SIDE STORY

February 13, 2026 | 7:30 pm February 14, 2026 | 7:30 pm February 15, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Dima Slobodeniouk, conductor Randall Goosby, violin

- Arturs Maskats: Tango
- Mozart: Violin Concerto No. 5
- Barber: Adagio for Strings
- Bernstein: Symphony Dances from West Side Story

Bernstein's iconic score to West Side Story is a thrilling blend of passion, rhythm, and drama, creating unforgettable melodies and electrifying dance rhythms. From the soaring romance of "Maria" and "Tonight" to the fiery energy of "America" and "Mambo", the music captures the intensity of love, rivalry, and hope. Highlighting this program that explores the breathtaking highs and heartbreaking lows of love is the achingly beautiful "Adagio" by Barber, made famous by the movie Platoon.

## FEBRUARY COMBO BOOK (CONT.)

Space Reservation: 1/9 Artwork Deadline: 1/23



#### BNY CLASSICS: BRUCKNER'S EIGHTH

February 20, 2026 | 7:30 pm February 21, 2026 | 7:30 pm February 22, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Manfred Honeck, conductor

Samy Moussa: Adgilis DedaBruckner: Symphony No. 8

Often called his "Apocalyptic" symphony Bruckner's music possesses a thrilling, epic quality unlike any other. Filled with towering brass chorales, majestic melodies and moments of profound stillness his monumental Eighth Symphony is nothing less than a "cathedral of sound." You won't want to miss Canadian composer Samy Moussa's work – his music is cinematic and exciting.



## FEBRUARY COMBO BOOK (CONT.)

Space Reservation: 1/9 Artwork Deadline: 1/23



#### PNC POPS: AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

February 27, 2026 | 7:30 pm February 28, 2026 | 7:30 pm March 1, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Byron Stripling, conductor Sydney McSweeney, vocalist Bobby Floyd, piano The Hamlisch-Page Student Choir

Celebrate America's 250th birthday with a concert that captures the heart and soul of the nation through its rich tapestry of sound. Experience the evolution of American music, from spirituals and gospel tunes to the rhythms of ragtime and the heartfelt passion of the blues. PNC POPS Principal Conductor Byron Stripling leads the audience through the birth of jazz, the soulful grooves of R&B, and all the vibrant genres that define the American soundscape.



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## MARCH COMBO BOOK

Space Reservation: 2/6 Artwork Deadline: 2/20



#### **BNY CLASSICS: AX PLAYS BRAHMS**

March 6, 2026 | 7:30 pm March 8, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Manfred Honeck, conductor Emanuel Ax, piano

- Jacob Bancks: The Greatest Show on Earth
- Beethoven: Symphony No. 2 Brahms: Piano Concerto No. 1

There's so much expressive power in this famous piano concerto - one of Brahms' most personal works, and a cornerstone of the repertoire. Who better to hear it from than the world-famous (and Pittsburgh favorite) Emanuel Ax? Pair this delicacy with Beethoven and a world premiere of a work by Jacob Bancks, whose music has been praised as "colorfully orchestrated, invitingly lyrical" (The New York Times) and "highly caffeinated" (The Boston Globe).



#### BNY CLASSICS: MAHLER'S RESURRECTION

March 13, 2026 | 7:30 pm March 14, 2026 | 7:30 pm March 15, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Manfred Honeck, conductor Ying Fang, soprano Kate Lindsey, mezzo-soprano The Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh

- Boris Pigovat: Yizkor
- Mahler: Symphony No. 2, "Resurrection"

Some pieces of music are so engaging, so electrifying that audiences are transfixed by their inherent emotional power. Mahler's passionate and tempestuous Second Symphony — about humanity's search for meaning in life and death — is such a work. Composed for a massive orchestra, choir, and soloists, it is riveting from its darkly ferocious opening to its exhilarating, ecstatic finale. Hebrew for "remembrance," Yitzkor was commissioned to honor the memory of those lost in the Tree of Life tragedy.

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## MARCH COMBO BOOK (CONT.)

Space Reservation: 2/6 Artwork Deadline: 2/20



#### BNY CLASSICS: BEETHOVEN'S EROICA

March 27, 2026 | 7:30 pm March 28, 2026 | 7:30 pm March 29, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### **Daniele Rustioni,** conductor **Yefim Bronfman,** piano

• Barber: Overture to The School for Scandal

• Schumann: Piano Concerto

• Beethoven: Symphony No. 3, "Eroica"

Never underestimate the impact of Beethoven's "Heroic" Symphony. When it premiered, the audience was startled, by its length, its originality, and the revolutionary way in which the composer was bending musical rules without breaking them. This was the true start of Beethoven's genius — and no one had ever heard anything like it before. The composer originally titled the piece "Bonaparte" out of admiration for the French hero, but when Napoleon declared himself emperor, Beethoven flew into a rage and re-titled it simply "Eroica," meaning "Heroic".

## APRIL COMBO BOOK 5

Space Reservation: 3/13 Artwork Deadline: 3/27



#### BNY CLASSICS: THE RITE OF SPRING

April 10, 2026 | 7:30 pm April 12, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Rafael Payare, conductor Yulianna Avdeeva, piano

Jimmy Lopez: Peru NegroProkofiev: Piano Concerto No. 2Stravinsky: The Rite of Spring

Almost no musical work has had such a powerful influence or evoked as much controversy as Stravinsky's ballet score "The Rite of Spring". The work's premiere was scandalous. In addition to the outrageous costumes, unusual choreography, and bizarre story of pagan sacrifice, Stravinsky's score with its raw, primal energy and dissonant harmonies shocked audiences. It is still one of the most influential and groundbreaking works in the history of music.



#### PNC POPS: TROPICAL ROCK (FOR 5 O'CLOCK SOMEWHERE)

April 17, 2026 | 7:30 pm April 18, 2026 | 7:30 pm April 19, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Jack Everly, conductor Travis Birch, vocals/guitar Chris Blem, vocalist John Boswell, piano Scott Coulter, vocals Lisa Howard, vocals

Jimmy Buffett, Bob Marley, Van Morrison, The Beach Boys... celebrate the vibe, the breeze, and the legendary tropical songs and timeless hits of these sun-soaked artists and more as they are brought to life by the PSO and celebrated vocalists. Sing along to "Under the Boardwalk," "Fins," "Kokomo," "Don't Worry, Be Happy," "It's Five O'clock Somewhere," "Brown-Eyed Girl," and all your favorites as we raise a glass to the power of the surf and the romance of the islands.



#### MAY COMBO BOOK



#### Space Reservation: 4/3 Artwork Deadline: 4/17



#### STAR WARS: THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK (FILM WITH LIVE ORCHESTRA)

May 1, 2026 | 7:00 pm May 2, 2026 | 7:00 pm May 3, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Since the release of the first Star Wars movie over 45 years ago, the Star Wars saga has had a seismic impact on both cinema and culture, inspiring audiences around the world with its mythic storytelling, captivating characters, groundbreaking special effects and iconic musical scores composed by Williams.

The film and its RIAA® platinum-certified soundtrack feature seventeen score cues composed by legendary Academy Award® and GRAMMY® Award-winning composer John Williams.



#### **BNY CLASSICS:** TCHAIKOVSKY'S PATHETIQUE

May 15, 2026 | 7:30 pm May 17, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Edward Gardner, conductor Behzod Abduraimov, piano

- Knussen: Flourish with Fireworks
- Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 1
- Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 6, "Pathetique"

Nine days before his death, Tchaikovsky conducted the premiere of one of the most resounding final statements in music: his "Pathétique" Symphony, full of sweeping melodies, passionate outbursts, and emotional extremes. "Without exaggeration, I have put my whole soul into this symphony" he wrote. "I love it as I have never loved any of my other musical offspring."

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Space Reservation: 4/3 Artwork Deadline: 4/17



#### **BNY CLASSICS: SCHEHERAZADE**

May 29, 2026 | 7:30 pm May 31, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Gemma New, conductor Stefan Jackiw, violin

Salina Fisher: RainphaseKorngold: Violin Concerto

• Rimsky-Korsakov: Scheherazade

One of the most colorful and magical scores in all symphonic music, Rimsky-Korsakov's wondrous Scheherazade is pure romance – an imaginative portrayal of the Tales of the Arabian Nights and a wild ride for the whole orchestra. Then, a violin concerto from one of the greatest composers of the Golden Age of Hollywood. But first, Salina Fisher's Rainphase will transport you to another world entirely, with ethereal, mesmerizing sound.



#### JUNE SEPARATE BOOKS



#### PNC POPS: DISCO DIVAS

June 5, 2026 | 7:30 pm June 6, 2026 | 7:30 pm June 7, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall



Space Reservation: 5/8 Artwork Deadline: 5/22

Byron Stripling, conductor Crystal Monee Hall, vocalist Kelly LeVesque. vocalist Shayna Steele, vocalist

Put on your platform shoes and hit the dance floor! Featuring the powerhouse vocal trio of Shayna Steele, Crystal Monee Hall, and Kelly LeVesque, Disco Divas celebrates the reigning Queens of Disco: Donna Summer, Gloria Gayner, Patti LaBelle, Chaka Khan and the one and only Diana Ross, along with classic Disco hits from Earth, Wind & Fire, The Bee Gees, Michael Jackson and more. Sing along with the Disco Divas to your favorite hits like "Bad Girls," "I'm Coming Out," "Lady Marmalade," "Ain't No Stopping Us Now," "We Are Family," "I Will Survive," and "She Works Hard for the Money."

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## AMERICA250 FESTIVAL

#### Space Reservation: 5/15 Artwork Deadline: 5/29



#### **BNY CLASSICS:** LINCOLN PORTRAIT

June 12, 2026 | 7:30 pm June 14, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

#### Manfred Honeck, conductor Matthias Goerne, baritone The Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh

Joan Tower: Tambor

John Adams: The Wound-Dresser • Bernstein: Chichester Psalms • Copland: Lincoln Portrait

To express the spirit and founding principles of our country, Aaron Copland selected Abraham Lincoln as his subject. Together with Copland's unapologetically American music (written for the "Common Man"; the democratic foundation of this country), Lincoln's words articulate the American ideal we must not forget and strive to uphold, every day, even in times of great darkness. This powerful piece headlines a concert of all-American music, with works by Bernstein, John Adams (a setting of excerpts from American poet Walt Whitman about his experience as a hospital volunteer during the American Civil War) and Joan Tower.



#### **BNY CLASSICS:** APPALACHIAN SPRING

June 19, 2026 | 7:30 pm June 20, 2026 | 7:30 pm June 21, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall

Manfred Honeck, conductor Augustin Hadelich, violin **Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre** 

- Michael Daugherty: World Premiere + Commission
- Barber: Violin Concerto Jessie Montgomery: Strum
- Copland: Suite from Appalachian Spring

There is perhaps no other work that so perfectly captures the hope and possibility of life in an ideal America as Appalachian Spring - a moving, emotional work that will here be underscored with the inclusion of artists from Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre performing Mark Goddens' Angels in the Architecture. Barber's gorgeous Violin Concerto, Jessie Montgomery's Strum (full of dancing rhythms and snatches of lively, folk-inflected melody), and a world premiere by Pittsburgh favorite composer Michael Daugherty round out this worth season finale.

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#### JUNE SEPARATE BOOKS (CONT.)



#### **LORD OF THE RINGS:** THE TWO TOWERS (FILM WITH LIVE ORCHESTRA)

June 26 , 2026 | 7:00 pm June 27, 2026 | 7:00 pm June 28, 2026 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall



Space Reservation: 5/29 Artwork Deadline: 6/12

#### **Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh**

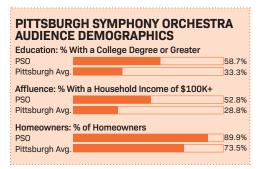
Experience Howard Shore's Academy Awardwinning score performed live to the epic motion picture, The Two Towers, in HD.

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#### PITTSBURGH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: **SPECIALS**



## PITTSBURGH SYMPHONY **ORCHESTRA:** SPECIALS



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There is something for everyone with this season's Pittsburgh Symphony Special concerts. Whether you enjoy traditional classical, popular specials, or once in a lifetime experience there is an option that fits the bill.

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#### **JOE HISAISHI CONDUCTS** THE PSO

September 13, 2025 | 7:30 pm September 14, 2025 | 2:30 pm Heinz Hall



Space Reservation: 8/18 **Artwork Deadline:** 9/1

#### Joe Hisaishi, conductor

Globally renowned award-winning composer, musical director, conductor and pianist, Joe Hisaishi, makes his long-awaited debut with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra. Hisaishi, who is best known for his epic concert works as well as enchanting film scores, takes to the podium to conduct his own compositions including a new concert version of music from the 2023 Golden-Globe winning Studio Ghibli Film, "The Boy and the Heron," and the US Premiere of Hisaishi's work. The End of the World. The PSO will be joined onstage by the Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh.



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#### BEN FOLDS WITH THE PSO

October 7, 2025 | 7:30 pm Heinz Hall



Space Reservation: 9/9 Artwork Deadline: 9/23

#### Ben Folds, piano and vocals

Emmy-nominated singer-songwriter Ben Folds returns to Pittsburgh for a onenight-only concert with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra. A genre-blending musician known for his work with Ben Fold Five, solo albums, and collaborations, he continues to perform worldwide, including with top symphonies. His latest album, released in 2023, earned rave reviews. and he recently recorded a live album with the National Symphony Orchestra. Beyond music, he's a New York Times bestselling author, composer, and advocate for arts education. His "Keys for Kids" initiative provides funds and keyboards to nonprofits offering free or affordable piano lessons to economically disadvantaged children.

#### HOLIDAY BRASS SPECTACULAR

December 16, 2025 | 7:30 pm Heinz Hall



Space Reservation: 11/18 Artwork Deadline: 12/2

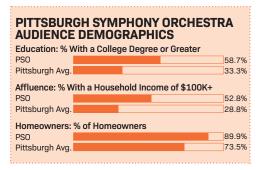
Join us for this annual, festive holiday tradition. From traditional Baroque favorites to new arrangements of your most-loved holiday tunes, this evening, perfect for the whole family, is a great way to usher in the merry season.

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## PITTSBURGH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: FIDDLESTICKS FAMILY CONCERTS: A YEAR OF ADVENTURES!



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The Fiddlesticks Family Concert Series introduces children, from the ages of three to eight, to the world of orchestral music. Pre-concert Discovery Time Adventures in Heinz Hall acquaint children with the theme of the concert through musician meet-and-greets, hands-on activities, dancing, sing-alongs and more! The concerts offer 45 minutes of short musical works in an interactive adventure focused on a particular theme.





#### **FESTIVAL OF MUSIC**

November 1. 2025 11:15 am Heinz Hall



Space Reservation: 10/6 Artwork Deadline: 10/20

Introduce children to the wondrous world of orchestral music. These concerts feature engaging activities and performances at family-friendly prices. Discovery time activities begin at 10:00 am.



#### AMERICAN **TUNES**

February 28. 2026 11:15 am Heinz Hall



Space Reservation: 2/2 Artwork Deadline: 2/16

Introduce children to the wondrous world of orchestral music. These concerts feature engaging activities and performances at family-friendly prices. Discovery time activities begin at 10:00 am.

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#### **DISCOVERY TIME ACTIVITIES**

Come to Heinz Hall an hour before the concert for fun, hands-on activities with special guests! Move at your own pace as vou:

- Practice singing the Fiddlesticks theme song with vocalist Katy Williams
- Discover instruments of the orchestra with PSO musicians
- Get creative with a musicinspired craft to take home
- Express yourself with dance and movement
- Take a break in the Quiet Room with books, coloring, and more

Fiddlesticks wants to make sure everyone feels welcome at these concerts! A family restroom, quiet room, fidgets, and noisecancelling headphones are available at all Fiddlesticks concerts. Braille programs and ASL interpretation are available upon request.



#### SING. DANCE. PLAY!

April 18, 2026 11:15 am Heinz Hall



Space Reservation: 3/23 **Artwork Deadline: 4/6** 

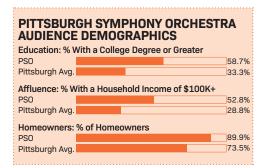
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\*Source: Management Science Associates, November 2024

Experience the awe of world-renowned artists up close and personal during these PS0360 concerts. Take your seat on stage at Heinz Hall and be transfixed by the flowing movements of the soloist's artistry as they engulf you in their all-encompassing sound. Only 200 seats are available for each concert.





#### PABLO FERRÁNDEZ

November 15, 2025 | 7:30 pm Heinz Hall



**Space Reservation:** 10/20 **Artwork Deadline:** 11/3

#### Pablo Ferrández, cello

Get up close and personal on stage at Heinz Hall as world-renowned artists join members of the PSO in these intimate, limited-capacity performances.





#### **GAUTIER CAPUÇON**

February 7, 2026 | 7:30 pm Heinz Hall



**Space Reservation:** 1/12 **Artwork Deadline:** 1/26

#### Gautier Capuçon, cello

Get up close and personal on stage at Heinz Hall as world-renowned artists join members of the PSO in these intimate, limited-capacity performances.

#### STEFAN JACKIW

May 30, 2026 | 7:30 pm Heinz Hall



**Space Reservation:** 5/4 **Artwork Deadline:** 5/18

#### Stefan Jackiw, violin

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SEPTEMBER	2025			
9/9-14	8/12	4	PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh	A Beautiful Noise – The Neil Diamond Musical
9/13-14	8/18	7	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra Specials	Joe Hisaishi Conducts the PSO
9/18-21	8/21	9	AWAACC	Pittsburgh International Jazz Festival
9/20	8/25	9	Pittsburgh Dance Council	Compagnie Hervé KOUBI
9/26, 28 10/3-5, 10-12, 17, 19, 25-26	8/29	4	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	COMBO BOOK: BNY Classics: Dvořák's Eighth, PNC Pops: Come Swing With Me, BNY Classics: Symphonie Fantastique, BNY Classics: Sibelius' Finlandia, Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas (Film with Live Orchestra)
9/27	9/1	7	Trust Family Series	Dog Man: The Musical
OCTOBER 20	25			
10/1-19	9/3	6	Pittsburgh Public Theater	Noises Off
10/6	9/8	9	Trust Cabaret Series	Isaac Mizrahi
10/7	9/9	9	AWAACC	Ailey II: The Next Generation of Dance
10/7	9/9	8	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra Specials	Ben Folds with the PSO
10/7-12	9/9	4	PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh Special	SIX
10/11	9/15	9	Pittsburgh Dance Council	Aakash Odedra Company
10/18, 21, 23, 24, 26	9/22	6	Pittsburgh Opera	La Boheme
10/25	9/29	9	Trust Family Series	The 4th Witch
10/31 11/1-2	10/3	6	Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre	Dracula
10/31 11/1-2,7,9, 14,16,21,23, 28,30	10/3	4	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	COMBO BOOK: PNC Pops: Bugs Bunny at the Symphony, BNY Classics: Grimaud Plays Gershwin, BNY Classics: Ferrández Plays Saint- Saëns, Elf in Concert (Film with Live Orchestra), BNY Classics: Himari Plays Bruch
NOVEMBER 2	2025			
11/1	10/6	8	PSO: Fiddlesticks	Festival of Music

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NOVEMBER 2	2025 CONTI	NUED		
11/4-9	10/7	4	PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh	Hell's Kitchen
11/10	10/13	9	Trust Cabaret Series	Sierra Boggess
11/14-16	10/17	7	Pittsburgh Opera	Fellow Travelers
11/15	10/20	9	PS0360	Pablo Ferrández
11/22	10/27	9	Trust Family Series	Omnium Circus: I'mPossible
11/25-30	10/28	4	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra Specials	Les Misérables
DECEMBER 2	2025			
12/2, 5, 7, 9, 12-14, 18-21	11/4	4	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	COMBO BOOK: Carnegie Hall Preview, BNY Classics: Shostakovich's Fifth, Messiah, Highmark Holiday Pops, Trisha Yearwood
12/4-21	11/6	6	Pittsburgh Public Theater	A Christmas Story: The Play
12/5-28	11/7	3	Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre	The Nutcracker
12/13-23	11/17	5	Pittsburgh CLO	A Musical Christmas Carol
12/16	11/18	8	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra Specials	Holiday Brass Spectacular
12/30-31 1/1-4	12/2	4	PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh	Clue
JANUARY 20	26			
1/10–11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30–31 2/1	12/15	5	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	COMBO BOOK: Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince in Concert (Film with Live Orchestra), BNY Classics: Sibelius' Second, BNY Classics: Špaček Plays Dvořák, PNC Pops: Rodgers & Hammerstein's South Pacific in Concert
1/14-31 2/1-15	12/17	1	PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh	Wicked
1/17	12/22	8	Trust Family Series	Dinosaur World LIVE
1/ 24, 27, 30 2/1	12/29	8	Pittsburgh Opera	Curlew River
1/28	12/31	8	Pittsburgh Dance Council	Martha Graham Dance Company

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FEBRUARY 2	026			
2/4-22	1/7	7	Pittsburgh Public Theater	An Enemy of the People
2/6, 8, 13-15, 20-22, 27-28	1/9	5	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	COMBO BOOK: BNY Classics: Brahms' Third, BNY Classics: Symphonic Dances from West Side Story, BNY Classics: Bruckner's Eighth, PNC Pops: America the Beautiful
2/7	1/12	9	PS0360	Gautier Capuçon
2/13	1/16	9	Pittsburgh Dance Council	Step Afrika!
2/16	1/19	9	Trust Cabaret Series	Jessica Vosk
2/20-22	1/23	7	Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre	America 250 with the PBT Orchestra
2/24-28 3/1	1/27	4	PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh	Disney's Beauty and the Beast
2/28 3/3, 6, 8	2/2	9	Pittsburgh Opera	Time to Act
2/28	2/2	8	PSO: Fiddlesticks	American Tunes
MARCH 202	6			
3/6, 8, 13-15, 27-29	2/6	5	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	COMBO BOOK: BNY Classics: Ax Plays Brahms, BNY Classics: Mahler's Resurrection, BNY Classics: Beethoven's Eroica
3/9	2/9	9	Trust Cabaret Series	Eva Noblezada
3/10-15	2/10	4	PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh Special	Chicago
3/14	2/16	9	Trust Family Series	The Great Race: The Story of the Chinese Zodiac
3/21	2/23	9	Trust Family Series	Robot Song
3/25-31 4/1-12	2/25	7	Pittsburgh Public Theater	Primary Trust
3/31 4/1-5	3/3	4	PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh	Water for Elephants
<b>APRIL 2026</b>				
4/10-12	3/13	8	Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre	Spring Mix: Premieres

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<b>APRIL 2026</b>	CONTINUED			
4/10, 12, 17-19	3/13	5	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	COMBO BOOK: BNY Classics: The Rite of Spring, PNC Pops: Tropical Rock (for 5 o'clock somewhere)
4/14-19	3/17	4	PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh	Shucked
4/18	3/23	8	PSO: Fiddlesticks	Sing, Dance, Play!
4/19	3/23	9	Trust Family Series	Hare & Tortoise
4/28 5/1, 3	3/31	7	Pittsburgh Opera	Falstaff
<b>MAY 2026</b>				
5/1-3, 15, 17, 29, 31	4/3	5	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	COMBO BOOK: Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back (Film with Live Orchestra), BNY Classics: Tchaikovsky's Pathetique, BNY Classics: Scheherazade
5/9	4/13	8	Pittsburgh Dance Council	A.I.M by Kyle Abraham
5/11	4/13	9	Trust Cabaret Series	Jeremy Jordan
5/15-17	4/17	7	Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre	A Midsummer Night's Dream with the PBT Orchestra
5/23	4/27	8	Pittsburgh CLO	Gene Kelly Awards
5/26-31	4/28	4	PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh	The Great Gatsby
5/30	5/4	9	PS0360	Stefan Jackiw
<b>JUNE 2026</b>				
6/5-7	5/8	6	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	PNC Pops: Disco Divas
6/12, 14, 19-21	5/15	6	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	America250 Festival: BNY Classics: Lincoln Portrait, BNY Classics: Appalachian Spring
6/26-28	5/29	6	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers (Film with Live Orchestra)

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