



Bach Festival Society Features Beethoven and Masterworks in the 86th Season

(Orlando, FL - July 28, 2020) – The Bach Festival Society of Winter Park announces its 86th season as the Society continues its mission “to inspire the human spirit through great music featuring powerful choral and orchestral performances and innovative programming.” The season has been carefully planned to keep our artists and patrons safe, and alternative contingency plans are in place should they be needed. New this season, the Society will digitally stream its performances. In-person performances will follow CDC and state guidelines of distancing and reduced capacity, as well as following policies set forth by Rollins College.

“What hasn’t changed is our commitment to making music of the highest quality for you, whether in-person or digitally. We look forward to bringing you another inspiring season,” said Artistic Director and Conductor John V. Sinclair.

Programming highlights include works by **Dvořák**, **Lauridsen**, and **Barber** (May 2, 2021) and pianist **Adam Golka** performing all 32 **Beethoven** sonatas over nearly three weeks in October (Oct 1-18, 2020), continuing our celebration of the 250th anniversary of Beethoven’s birth. Additional visiting artists include the **Diaz Trio** (Nov 19, 2020), and the incomparable *a cappella* groups **Voctave** (Dec TBD) and **Voces8** (Feb 27, 2021).

The 86th Annual Bach Festival is scheduled for Feb 5–Mar 1, 2021, and will feature a variety of stunning performances, beginning with our timely **Spiritual Spaces**; subscriber-favorite **Concertos by Candlelight: Scandinavian Romantics** with **Jean Sibelius’s *Violin Concerto in d minor, Op. 47*** and **Edvard Grieg’s *Piano Concerto in a minor, Op. 16*** (Feb 13, 2021); **American Spirituals and Folk Songs** (Feb 21, 2021); an afternoon of glorious **Bach Cantatas** (Feb 28, 2021), and much more.

The Bach Festival Society’s other annual events will also continue this year. The **Insights & Sounds** series promises to enlighten and delight classical newcomers and aficionados alike. **Insights & Sounds: Sweet on Suites and Serenades** on November 5 will highlight some of the finest instrumental chamber repertoire in the classical literature. In December, our “**A Classic Christmas**” concerts continue.

Limited tickets will be available beginning August 18, with a presale date of August 11 for previous subscription holders. In light of seating restrictions due to COVID-19, season



subscription packages will not be available this year. More information is available at <https://BachFestivalFlorida.org> or by calling the Box Office at 407-646-2182.

- **WHO:** Bach Festival Society of Winter Park
- **WHAT:** Bach Festival Society 86th Season
- **WHERE:** Winter Park, FL
- **WHEN:** October 2020 - May 2021
- **INFO:** <https://BachFestivalFlorida.org/>

About the Bach Festival Society of Winter Park

Founded in 1935 in Winter Park, Florida, the Bach Festival Society is one of the longest continuously operating Bach Festivals in the country and is well ranked among America's great oratorio societies. The Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra bring the highest caliber of classical music to Central Florida in the intimate settings of Tiedtke Concert Hall and Knowles Memorial Chapel on the Rollins College campus for the Society's Annual Bach Festival, Choral Masterworks, chamber ensemble, and Visiting Artists performances. It presents a variety of educational and community outreach programs year-round. More information is available at BachFestivalFlorida.org.

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