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Bach Festival Society Presents "Bach off the Avenue" in Central Park West Meadow

- WHO: Bach Festival Society of Winter Park, John V. Sinclair, Conductor
- WHAT: Bach off the Avenue: Silver Screen Symphonic Classics
- WHEN: Sunday, October 25 at 2:00 PM and 5:00 PM
- WHERE: Central Park West Meadow, Corner of New York Ave and Morse Ave
- TICKETS: \$110 Table for Two, \$175 Table for Four
- INFO: <u>http://BachFestivalFlorida.org/</u>

(Orlando, FL–October 7, 2020)—The Bach Festival Society of Winter Park is excited to introduce Bach off the Avenue: Silver Screen Symphonic Classics, an outdoor performance designed to celebrate the great music of cinema while bringing friends and families together in a safe, socially distanced environment in Central Park's West Meadow. Bach off the Avenue will present two performances of movie classics you know and love, including music from *Harry Potter, Star Wars, Wizard of Oz*, and many more, performed by the Bach Festival Orchestra under the direction of Conductor Dr. John V. Sinclair.

About this repertoire, Dr. Sinclair said, "These are familiar works to many of you, and the music is top-notch. These composers are today's great masters."

Performances will last approximately 75 minutes and begin at 2:00 PM and 5:00 PM.

To support a safe and comfortable experience, tables of two and four will be spread throughout the meadow, allowing for social distancing in this outdoor venue. Tables with two seats are available for \$110, and tables with four seats are \$175.

Guests can purchase drinks, including beer and wine, and a cheese and fruit platter to pair with the performance at the time they purchase their tables. Table reservations will go on sale to the public Friday, October 9 at 11:00 AM. Subscribers to the Bach Festival Society's 2019-20 season will have special pre-sale access to tickets beginning Wednesday, October 7 at 11:00 AM. Tickets may be purchased at BachFestivalFlorida.org or 407-646-2182.

Bach off the Avenue is a direct effort of the Winter Park Economic Recovery Task Force, a joint partnership between the Winter Park Chamber of Commerce and the City of Winter Park. The task force is developing events and mitigation strategies to help spur the recovery from the effects of COVID-19 while promoting safety and emotional wellbeing. The Bach Festival Society is working with local restaurants and retailers to provide special offers to all guests, encouraging them to extend their visit in Winter Park.

In addition to two live performances at Bach off the Avenue and limited-audience in-person performances at Rollins College, the Bach Festival Society will continue offering digital concerts via "Bach at Home," high-quality multicamera recordings of its concert programs at Rollins College.

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, 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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