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The previous version of this release incorrectly listed the date for Mozart's *Requiem* & Beethoven's *Symphony No. 6* as Saturday, February 26. The correct date for the performance is Friday, February 25.



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Bach Festival Society Presents 87th Annual Bach Festival Throughout Central Florida

(Winter Park, FL) The Bach Festival Society of Winter Park presents its 87th Annual Bach Festival February 4 through February 27, featuring seven ticketed concerts and five community events, including free recitals and master classes. Programs will take place on the campuses of Rollins College and Trinity Preparatory School and at Dr. Phillips Center's new acoustically remarkable Steinmetz Hall. Tickets and packages are available at BachFestivalFlorida.org or 407-646-2182. **The full schedule of events is included on the final page of this release.**

The Festival schedule highlights the Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra in five programs at venues across Central Florida, beginning with two performances of *Spiritual Spaces* (Feb 5) in the calming and peaceful atmosphere of Knowles Memorial Chapel, including familiar works by J.S. Bach, John Rutter, and John Lennon and Paul McCartney. Approximately 60 minutes in length, these concerts appeal to festival newcomers and classical music aficionados alike. Continuing a beloved tradition, audience-favorite *Concertos by Candlelight* (Feb 11 & 12) presents internationally renowned pianist Olga Kern and principal violinist and co-concertmaster Routa Kroumovitch Gomez performing with the Bach Festival Orchestra by the glow of hundreds of candles in Knowles Memorial Chapel. The Festival continues with a Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra performance of Mendelssohn's *Elijah* at Steinmetz Hall on Sunday, February 20. Featured soloists include soprano Mary Wilson, mezzo-soprano Meg Bragle, tenor Robert Breault, and bass-baritone Dashon Burton. On Friday, February 25, the Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra offer an inspiring program of Mozart's *Requiem* & Beethoven's *Symphony No. 6* in the auditorium at Trinity Preparatory School. The final performance of the Annual Bach Festival in Knowles Memorial Chapel is a carefully curated program of our namesake, titled *Bach and More Bach* (Feb 27), featuring *Brandenburg Concerto No. 5*, *Orchestral Suite No. 2*, *Harpsichord Concerto No. 4*, and *Cantatas No. 18* and *No. 165*. The program spotlights harpsichordist Joanne Kong, soprano Clara Rottsoik, mezzo-soprano Amanda Crider, tenor John Grau, and baritone Brandon Hendrickson.

In addition to the Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra programs, this year's Festival brings to Winter Park internationally recognized visiting artists, including world-renowned organist Ken Cowan and violinist Lisa Shihoten in Knowles Memorial Chapel on February 6 and mother-son piano partners Olga Kern and Vladislav Kern showcasing their unique talents in Tiedtke Concert Hall on Rollins College campus February 13.

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No-charge community events will also be offered, including an organ recital by Ken Cowan (Feb 4) in Knowles Memorial Chapel and performances of Bach's *The Well-Tempered Clavier* by harpsichordist Joanne Kong in Tiedtke Concert Hall (Feb 23 & 25). Master classes by Robert Breault (Feb 17), Joanne Kong (Feb 22), and Clara Rottsoik (Feb 24) round out the Tiedtke Concert Hall schedule.

Tickets and information for these events are available by visiting BachFestivalFlorida.org or by calling the Box Office at 407-646-2182.

ABOUT BACH FESTIVAL SOCIETY

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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87th Annual Bach Festival February 4–27

Ken Cowan, organ

Fri, Feb 4 • 7:30pm
Knowles Memorial Chapel • Free

Spiritual Spaces

Sat, Feb 5 • 5:00pm & 7:30pm
Knowles Memorial Chapel • Tickets from \$25

Ken Cowan, organ & Lisa Shihoten, violin

Sun, Feb 6 • 3:00pm
Knowles Memorial Chapel • Tickets from \$15

Concertos by Candlelight:

Music of Scandinavia—Grieg & Sibelius
Fri, Feb 11 • 7:30pm | Sat, Feb 12 • 7:30pm
Knowles Memorial Chapel • Tickets from \$30

Olga Kern with Vladislav Kern, duo pianos

Sun, Feb 13 • 3:00pm
Tiedtke Concert Hall • Tickets from \$40

Master Class | Robert Breault, tenor

Thu, Feb 17 • 12:30pm
Tiedtke Concert Hall • Free

Mendelssohn's *Elijah*

Sun, Feb 20 • 3:00pm
Steinmetz Hall • Tickets from \$25

Master Class | Joanne Kong, harpsichord

Tue, Feb 22 • 12:30pm
Tiedtke Concert Hall • Free

The Well-Tempered Clavier

Wed, Feb 23 • 5:00pm | Fri, Feb 25 • 5:00pm
Tiedtke Concert Hall • Free

Master Class | Clara Rottsolk, soprano

Thu, Feb 24 • 12:30pm
Tiedtke Concert Hall • Free

Mozart's *Requiem* & Beethoven's *Symphony No. 6*

Fri, Feb 25 • 7:30pm
Trinity Preparatory School Auditorium
Tickets from \$25

Bach and More Bach

Sun, Feb 27 • 3:00pm
Knowles Memorial Chapel • Tickets from \$30