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RIVETING PLOTS. CAPTIVATING CHARACTERS. INTENSE EMOTIONS.

These are the qualities that draw us to stories and keep us coming back for more. We don't want to miss a second of the action. We're in so deep we forget the world around us. We keep watching, and watching, and watching. These stories are worthy of our devotion, our obsession, and our time. These stories are bingeworthy.

The Topeka Symphony's 2025-2026 season is full of bingeworthy stories and music. Like a line-up of enthralling, star-studded prestige television, we're bringing you the most memorable stories told through music by the world's greatest composers. Characters like Petroushka the Clown and Don Juan, not to mention composers, cowboys, snowmen, and race car drivers will come to life at White Concert Hall in enthralling stories and mesmerizing music.

Don't miss a single episode! Sit back and prepare to be transfixed with the power of a bingeworthy season of non-stop action, world-class soloists, and irresistible stories onstage at the Topeka Symphony!

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Don Juan

★★★★★

SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

Category: Romance

Series: Classical

Don Juan



THE CLIBURN

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OUR MUST-SEE SEASON PREMIERE starts with an episode full of seduction, passion, and romance. Composer Richard Strauss's tone poem brings to life **Don Juan**, possibly the most famous and unscrupulous lover of Western lore. We're thrilled to present one of the 2025 Van Cliburn Winners (yet to be announced) in their debut season as a winner of this coveted international award, and we'll round out the evening with Topeka's premiere of Valerie Coleman's **Umoja**, the Swahili word for "unity," a joyful and inspiring piece about hope.

FEATURING:

Strauss – **Don Juan**

Valerie Coleman – **Umoja**

Van Cliburn Competition Winner

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Color and Light

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NOVEMBER 22, 2025

Category: Mythology
Series: Classical

color and light

WITH THE
TOPEKA SYMPHONY
PRINCIPAL WINDS

Hannah Porter Occena
Flute

Alyssa Morris
Oboe

Alejandro Dergal
Clarinet

Alan Comstock
Bassoon

WE PRESENT STORIES of light, color, and hope in this concert featuring works by two Kansas composers. Gordon McQuere invites us to contemplate kindness, perseverance, and wisdom in his optimistic and colorful **Three Essays**, and Alyssa Morris's **Color and Light (Tlapalli Tlahuilli)** takes inspiration from the book "Musicians of the Sun" which details the Aztec myth of how the world received its color and light. We then present Brahms's delightful **Haydn Variations**, a perennial symphonic favorite that shows off Brahms's musical genius as he inventively riffs on a simple chorale, transforming it into a virtuosic showpiece for the orchestra.

FEATURING:

Gordon McQuere – **Three Essays**

Alyssa Morris – **Tlapalli Tlahuilli**
With Hannah, Alyssa, Alex, Alan

Brahms – **Haydn Variations**

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The Snowman

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DECEMBER 17, 2025

Category: Holiday Movies
Series: Pops



THE SNOWMAN

CAPITOL FEDERAL® HOLIDAY CONCERT

TIME TO PUT ON YOUR SWEATERS and cozy up for an evening celebrating the magic of the season with a heartwarming concert filled with holiday cheer! Journey into the wonder of the award-winning animated film **The Snowman**, and relive timeless holiday favorites—all brought to life by the symphony. This concert is made even more special by the angelic voices of the Kansas Youth Chorale, adding warmth, wonder, and a touch of nostalgia to this festive night.

FEATURING:

John Williams – Three Holiday Songs from **Home Alone**, our annual carol sing, and other holiday favorites

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Billy the Kid

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JANUARY 24, 2026

Category: Western
Series: Classical

Billy the Kid



GUEST STARRING

**Sandbox
Percussion
Ensemble**

SADDLE UP, FOLKS, as we bring you a night of the tales from yesteryear and the trailblazing sounds of the new. We start with the old-timey in Aaron Copland’s Western ballad of *Billy the Kid*, and Debussy’s sensual *Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun*. Then, hang on to your hats with Boyer’s exciting *Fanfare, Hymn, and Renewal* and prepare to be amazed when Viet Cuong’s *Re(new)al* rides in with a bold, high-energy new piece performed by the fantastic Sandbox Percussion Ensemble.

FEATURING:

Boyer – **Fanfare, Hymn, and Finale**

Viet Cuong – **Re(new)al**

With Sandbox Percussion Ensemble

Debussy – **Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun**

Copland – **Billy the Kid**

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Ravel

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FEBRUARY 21, 2026

Category: Biopic
Series: Classical

RAVEL



IN THIS PERFORMANCE created by Alice Wiley Pickett for actors, singers, and the orchestra, we will enter the deeply emotional and intensely creative world of French composer Maurice Ravel, who lived during the rich explosion of arts and sciences in Paris in the first part of the 20th century. Through Ravel’s own words and the words of both his most beloved friends and his harshest critics, and through his revolutionary and wildly, beautifully inventive music, we will paint an impressionistic picture—at times whimsical and at other times tragic—of this enigmatic genius.

FEATURING:

Music of Maurice Ravel

Including *Bolero, Daphnis and Chloe,*

Piano Concerto in G, Ma mere l’Oye,

Pavane for a Dead Princess, Alborada del Gracioso

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The Clown

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APRIL 11, 2026

Category: True Crime

Series: Classical

The Clown



GUEST STARRING

Aubree Oliverson,
Violin

TUNE IN for a night of mystery, intrigue, and spectacular beauty. Stravinsky's *Petrushka* unravels a dark tale of manipulation and jealousy with an ill-fated puppet whose desperate fight for love ends in tragedy. Reena Esmail's *ReMember* weaves together powerful themes of identity and connection, blending Eastern and Western influences in a stunning musical tapestry. And join us in welcoming to the stage rising star Aubree Oliverson on Tchaikovsky's virtuosic, passionate, and beguiling *Violin Concerto*. This will be a night to remember!

FEATURING:

Reena Esmail – *ReMember*
Tchaikovsky – *Violin Concerto*
With Aubree Oliverson, Violin
Stravinsky – *Petrushka*

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The Music of John Williams

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MAY 2, 2026

Category: Action & Adventure

Series: Pops

THE MUSIC OF JOHN WILLIAMS



TUNE IN for an epic night dedicated entirely to the music of John Williams, one of Hollywood's greatest composers, whose music instantly evokes adventure, nostalgia, and movie magic! From the triumphant brass of *Star Wars* to the haunting strings of *Schindler's List*, John Williams's symphonic film scores have shaped the sound of modern cinema. This electrifying concert highlights the genius behind the music that has defined decades of movies and transforms the orchestra into the ultimate blockbuster experience.

FEATURING:

Music from *Star Wars, Harry Potter, Jaws, Catch Me If You Can, Schindler's List, Indiana Jones*, and more.

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OCTOBER 25, 2025
WHITE CONCERT HALL

6:30 PM

Spooky Symphony

Calling all pirates, princesses, dragons, superheroes, ghosts, and goblins! Celebrate the spooky season with a night at the Spooky Symphony, where you'll hear spooky music and soundtracks from Hollywood's best spooky movies! Come in costume for this fun-filled family concert!

Conducted by Raffaele Cipriano



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FEBRUARY 3, 2026
WHITE CONCERT HALL

6:30 PM

Race to the Symphony

It's lights out and away we go—to the symphony! Grand Prix racing champions Mario Spaghetti-Andretti and Sir Lightning McHamilton team up to introduce families to a night of turbo-charged music selections at the symphony including music from Pixar's **Cars**, **Chariots of Fire**, and other racing favorites. Wear your team colors and speed on over to the White Concert Hall for this FREE, fast-paced, and super-fun concert for children and families.

FAMILY CONCERTS

YOUTH PROGRAMMING

The Topeka Symphony is committed to our local young musicians. The Topeka Youth Orchestras are part of the TSO organization, and consist of the Youth Symphony, Chamber Orchestra, and Symphonette. The Youth Symphony plays advanced, full-orchestra pieces that include strings, winds, brass and percussion, while the beginning Symphonette and intermediate Chamber Orchestra are string orchestras.

Students come from different schools and homeschools throughout northeast Kansas to play a variety of music from classical to pops to movie scores.

• FALL CONCERT

Sunday, November 16 at 3:00 p.m.
at White Concert Hall

• SPRING CONCERT

Sunday, April 12 at 3:00 P.M.
at White Concert Hall

Tickets are \$5.00 for youth and \$10.00 for adults
(taxes not included)

AUDITIONS

Auditions for the 2025-2026 season are on August 26. For more information, please visit <https://topekasymphony.org/tyo-auditions/>



KYLE WILEY PICKETT
MUSIC DIRECTOR
& CONDUCTOR

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DATE FOR THE
2026 GALA ON
MARCH 27.

SYMPHONY SUPPERS

Enjoy a pre-concert dinner with your friends on Sept. 27, Nov. 22, Jan. 24, Feb. 21, April 11, and May 2. Maestro Pickett will present Pre-Concert Talk at 6:30 pm. Reservation deadline is the Tuesday before each date. All Symphony Suppers will be in the Bradbury Thompson Alumni Center (across the street from White Concert Hall). Please arrive for dinner by 5:30 p.m.

\$40.00 per person

For reservations or more information go to www.topekasymphony.org/symphony-suppers, or call the Symphony office at 785-232-2032.

PRE-CONCERT TALKS

The pre-concert talks are free discussions given by Maestro Pickett to provide background information on the music you will hear that evening. Pre-concert talks begin at 6:30 PM in the Bradbury Thompson Alumni Center.

FRIENDS OF THE TOPEKA SYMPHONY

We are the ancillary arm of the Topeka Symphony Society, and eagerly support the programs of the Topeka Symphony, Youth Orchestras, and Endowment through fundraising efforts and volunteer activities. Friends members have opportunities to assist with concert receptions and dinners, serve as ushers and greeters at concerts, and help with various activities of the Youth Orchestras. We encourage and welcome new members to the Friends of the Topeka Symphony and deeply appreciate the continued support of our renewing members. To join the Friends, please go to www.topekasymphony.org.

Please also join us for our annual fundraiser, the Topeka Symphony Gala. Save the Date for the 2026 Gala on March 27.

TICKET OPTIONS



TSO SEASON TICKETS

Only Classic and Pops Concerts;
does not include Family, or Youth Concerts
20% discount (of regular price - approximately)

SEVEN CONCERT FULL SEASON

- receives 10% discount on all single ticket purchases
- same reserved seats in White Concert Hall

HALF SEASON

- four or five concerts
- choose concerts upfront
- same reserved seats for all four or five concerts

PLEASE NOTE:

Programs and artists are subject to change.
All sales are final. Tickets are non-refundable.

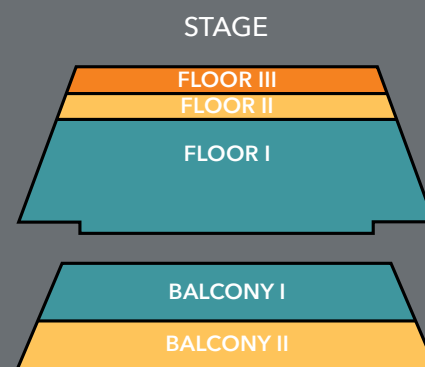


Use the QR code above
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SEASON TICKET PRICES*

# OF CONCERTS	7	5	4
ADULT			
Flr I / Balc I (Rows G-Q / AA-EE)	\$242	\$182	\$147
Flr II / Balc II (Rows E-F / FF-JJ)	\$200	\$160	\$126
Flr III (Rows C-D)	\$158	\$120	\$100
SENIOR CITIZEN (65 or over)			
Flr I / Balc I (Rows G-Q / AA-EE)	\$221	\$164	\$126
Flr II / Balc II (Rows E-F / FF-JJ)	\$189	\$150	\$116
Flr III (Rows C-D)	\$140	\$100	\$80
YOUTH (25 years and younger)			
Flr I / Balc I (Rows G-Q / AA-EE)	\$100	\$70	\$65
Flr II / Balc II (Rows E-F / FF-JJ)	\$79	\$56	\$47
Flr III (Rows C-D)	\$62	\$44	\$35

WHITE CONCERT HALL



ALL CONCERTS are held at
7:30 pm in White Concert
Hall on the Washburn University
campus, 17th and Jewell in
Topeka, Kansas.

SINGLE TICKET PRICES* (not eligible for 25% savings)

Price based on location—see seating chart. Single tickets for all concerts go on sale August 1, 2025. A handling fee of \$5.00 will be applied to all ticket orders.

	Floor I/Balcony I	Floor II/Balcony II	Floor III
Adult	\$44	\$42	\$30
Senior Citizen	\$39	\$37	\$25
Youth (25 years and younger)	\$16	\$13	\$11

*Prices do not include the handling fee or sales tax

ORDER FORM You can also order tickets online at www.topekasymphony.org

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- I'll call the TSO office (785-232-2032) to discuss my seating options!
- Please assign best available seating based on the seat location I chose!

Please select your concert choices by checking four, five, or all seven concerts:

- September 27, 2025, 7:30 pm, WCH**
- November 22, 2025, 7:30 pm, WCH
- December 17, 2025, 7:30 pm, WCH
- January 24, 2026, 7:30 pm, WCH
- February 21, 2026, 7:30 pm, WCH
- April 11, 2026, 7:30 pm, WCH
- May 2, 2026, 7:30 pm, WCH

** White Concert Hall

	SECTION (ex: FLR II)	# OF SEATS	PRICE PER SEAT	
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ADD \$4 TO MAIL TICKETS				\$ _____



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2303 SW College Ave
Topeka KS 66611

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WHY BUY SEASON TICKETS?

- **SUPPORT THE SYMPHONY**

Season ticket holders are the backbone of our organization.

- **SAVE MONEY**

Buying a Season Ticket package is less expensive than purchasing single tickets.

- **SENIOR AND STUDENT DISCOUNT**

Senior subscribers (65 or over) and Young Adult (age 25 and younger) save even more.

- **CREATE YOUR OWN SEASON**

Design your own season by selecting four, five, or the entire season of seven concerts.

- **ADDITIONAL DISCOUNT**

Receive a 10% discount on single tickets for any subscription concert all season long.

- **SEATING PRIORITY**

Season Ticket holders have the first choice of seats at White Concert Hall.

- **KEEP YOUR SEAT**

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