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Voice & the Violin

Joshua Bell, violin
Larisa Martínez, soprano
with Peter Dugan, piano

Friday
April 17, 2026
7:30pm

Foellinger Great Hall



PROGRAM

Voice & the Violin

JOSHUA BELL, violin
LARISA MARTÍNEZ, soprano
PETER DUGAN, piano

**WOLFGANG AMADEUS
MOZART**
(1756–1791)

L'amerò sarò costante

FELIX MENDELSSOHN
(1809–1847)

"Ah, ritorna, età dell'oro"
(Cabaletta) from *Infelice*

ANTONÍN DVORÁK
(1841–1904)

Slavonic Fantasy

**MARC-ANTOINE
CHARPENTIER**
(1643–1704)

"Depuis le Jour" from *Louise*

FRÉDÉRIC CHOPIN
(1810–1849)

Arr. Bell/Wallace

Nocturne in E-flat Major,
Op. 9, No. 2

JOHANN STRAUSS II
(1825–1899)

Voices of Spring, Op. 410

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JOHN CORIGLIANO
(b. 1938)

Movements from
Tennessee Songs

LÉO DELIBES
(1836–1891)

Les Filles des Cadix

HENRYK WIENIAWSKI
(1835–1880)

Scherzo-Tarantelle, Op. 16

GERÓNIMO GIMÉNEZ
(1854–1923)

Zapateado

GEORGE GERSHWIN
(1898–1937)

"Summertime" from
Porgy and Bess

JONATHAN FIGUEROA
(b. 1987)

Mi Rancho

LEONARD BERNSTEIN
(1918–1990)

Arr. Czarniecki/Brohn
West Side Story Suite

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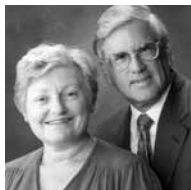
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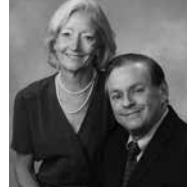
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JOSHUA BELL

With a career spanning almost four decades, Grammy Award-winning violinist Joshua Bell CBE is one of the most celebrated artists of our time. He has performed with virtually every major orchestra in

the world, and regularly appears as a soloist, recitalist, chamber musician, conductor, and as the Music Director of London's Academy of St Martin in the Fields. In 2025, he was awarded an honorary Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.

Following his world premiere recording of Thomas de Hartmann's *Violin Concerto*, Bell gives the work's UK, North American, and Canadian premieres at London's BBC Proms, with the New York Philharmonic, and during his season-long tenure as a Toronto Symphony Spotlight Artist, respectively. He also leads extensive US and European tours with the Academy of St Martin in the Fields; makes his first appearances as the New Jersey Symphony's inaugural Principal Guest Conductor; tours Asia with Hamburg's NDR Elbphilharmonie Orchestra; and joins Steven Isserlis and Evgeny Kissin for trio programs in New York, Paris, Vienna, and Prague.

Bell has been nominated for six Grammy awards, named "Instrumentalist of the Year" by *Musical America*, selected as a "Young Global Leader" by the World Economic Forum, recognized with the Avery Fisher Prize, and honored as an "Indiana Living Legend." His many collaborators include Emanuel Ax, Chris Botti, Chick Corea, Renée Fleming, Josh Groban, Lang Lang, Dave Matthews, Anoushka Shankar, Regina

Spektor, Sting, and Daniil Trifonov. Bell has performed for three American presidents and the justices of the Supreme Court of the United States. After participating in former President Barack Obama's Committee on the Arts and Humanities' first cultural mission to Cuba, he headlined the subsequent Emmy-nominated PBS *Live from Lincoln Center* special.

Bell performs on the 1713 Huberman Stradivarius violin.

LARISA MARTÍNEZ

Photo by Felipe Torres



Puerto Rican opera singer Larisa Martínez is praised and sought after for her "smoky soprano" (*Opera News*), gracing top stages and collaborating with household names of today.

She has appeared with the Philadelphia Orchestra, Chicago Symphony, New Jersey Symphony, and Indianapolis Symphony. In 2019, she made both her Kennedy Center recital debut and Carnegie Hall debut, singing Mahler's *Symphony No. 2* with the Athens Philharmonic. Internationally, Martínez recently performed as soloist with the São Paulo Symphony Orchestra, and made her debuts at the Herodeon Theater (Athens) and KSPO Dome (Korea). This month, she premiered a new work written for her and violinist Joshua Bell by Academy Award-winning composer John Corigliano.

Martínez is a longtime touring partner of acclaimed tenor Andrea Bocelli, performing for packed houses including the Hollywood Bowl and Madison Square Garden. Her *Voice and the Violin* program, created with Grammy

Award-winning violinist Joshua Bell, has visited the Ravinia Festival, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Verbier Festival, Pacific Symphony, and Colorado Symphony. As part of President Barack Obama's artistic delegation to Cuba in 2016, Martínez appeared in the Emmy-nominated PBS special *Live from Lincoln Center: Seasons of Cuba*.

Operatic roles that Martínez has sung include Violetta in *La Traviata* (Wichita Grand Opera), Sophie in *Werther* alongside tenor Piotr Beczala (Culturarte), and Maria in *West Side Story* with tenor Michael Fabiano (Festival Napa Valley). She originated the role of Isaura in the world premiere of Mercadante's *Francesca da Rimini* in Italy, conducted by Maestro Fabio Luisi. That same year, she won the 2016 Metropolitan Opera's National Council Audition in Puerto Rico.

An advocate for accessible music education, Larisa Martínez is an artistic resident of Turnaround Arts led by the Presidential Committee on the Arts and Humanities. She is also passionate about representing her Boricua cultural heritage through projects and performances.



PETER DUGAN

Pianist Peter Dugan's debut performances with Michael Tilson Thomas and the San Francisco Symphony were described by the *Los Angeles Times* as "stunning" and by the *San Francisco Chronicle* as "fearlessly athletic." He is heard nationwide as the host of NPR's beloved program *From the Top*, and has appeared as a soloist, recitalist, and chamber musician across North America and abroad. This year, he makes his

debut at Wigmore Hall and the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, and can be heard as the piano soloist on a new release of Ives' Fourth Symphony from Tilson Thomas and the San Francisco Symphony, a recording which *The New York Times* named one of the top classical albums of 2019. Prizing versatility as the key to the future of classical music, Dugan is equally at home in classical, jazz, and pop idioms.

A sought-after multi-genre artist, Dugan has performed in duos and trios with artists ranging from Itzhak Perlman and Renée Fleming to Jesse Colin Young and Glenn Close. *The Wall Street Journal* described Dugan's collaboration with violinist Charles Yang as a "classical-meets-rockstar duo." Dugan has been presented in chamber music recitals by Carnegie Hall, Chamber Music Society of Palm Beach, Music at Menlo, Moab Music Festival, and recently in recital with Joshua Bell at the Minnesota Beethoven Festival. Dugan was the 2019 featured recitalist for the California Association of Professional Music Teachers, and has soloed with the San Francisco Symphony, Houston Symphony, Kansas City Symphony, New World Symphony, and Mid-Texas Symphony.

Dugan's debut album with baritone John Brancy, *A Silent Night: A WWI Memorial in Song*, pays homage to composers who lived through, fought in, and died in the Great War. Brancy and Dugan toured this program across North America in commemoration of the centennial of WWI, including performances at The Kennedy Center, Alice Tully Hall, Stanford University, the United States Naval Academy, and the Smithsonian Institute. Together, Brancy and Dugan won first prize at the 2018 Montréal International Music Competition and second prize at the 2017 Wigmore Hall International Song Competition.

PROFILES

An advocate for the importance of music in the community and at all levels of society, Dugan is a founding creator of *Operation Superpower*, a superhero opera for children. He has travelled to dozens of schools in the greater New York area, performing for students and encouraging them to use their talents—their superpowers—for good.

Dugan holds bachelor's and master's degrees from The Juilliard School, where he studied under Matti Raekallio. He resides in New York City with his wife, mezzo-soprano Kara Dugan, and serves on the piano faculty at The Juilliard School Evening Division. Dugan is a Yamaha Artist.



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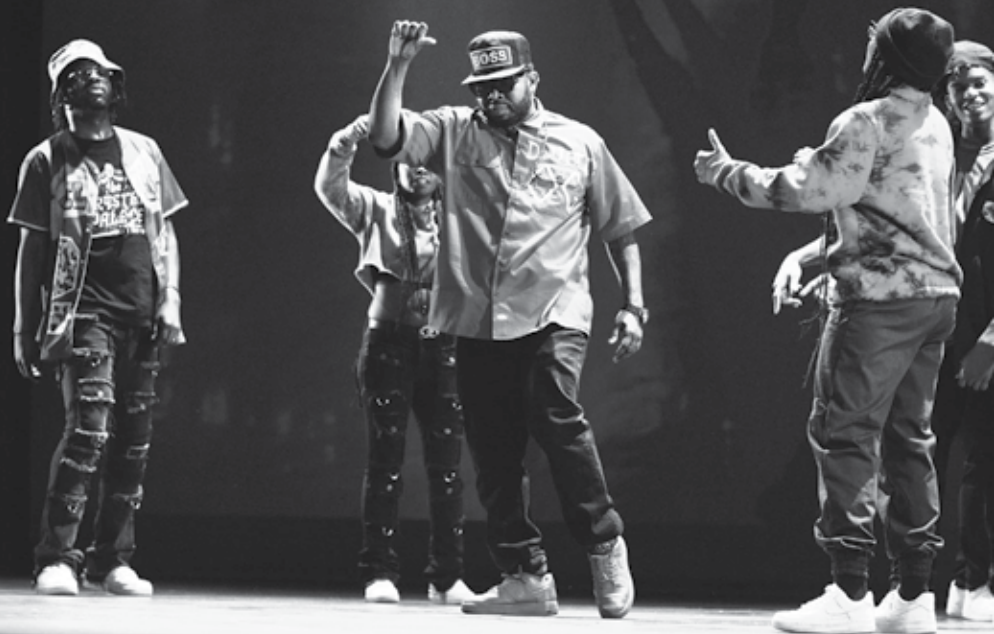
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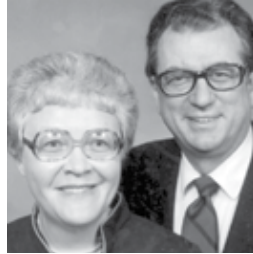
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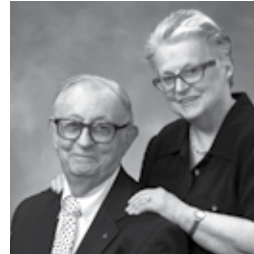
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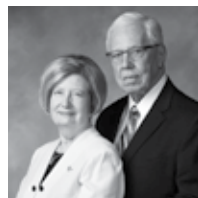
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