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We are thrilled to have you join us as we journey through a new century of transformative musical experiences in Kalamazoo. The 22/23 season is filled with show-stopping performances from Beethoven and Tchaikovsky to tango and Broadway!

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## Masterworks Opening Night

TCHAIKOVSKY, RAVEL, & LEE

SAT | SEPT 24, 2022 | 7:30 p.m. | Miller

Julian Kuerti, Conductor

Guest vocalist

There is no better way to spend an evening than with Tchaikovsky's dramatic Fourth Symphony. This musical roller coaster, complete with drops, tosses, and turns, will have you on your feet for a rousing conclusion of musical fireworks. The concert kicks off with a powerful piece by Michigan-born composer James Lee III and the entrancing sounds of Maurice Ravel's *Shéhérazade*.

## Flora, Fauns & Beethoven 6

BEETHOVEN & DEBUSSY

SAT | OCT 22, 2022 | 7:30 p.m. | Chenery

Guest Conductor

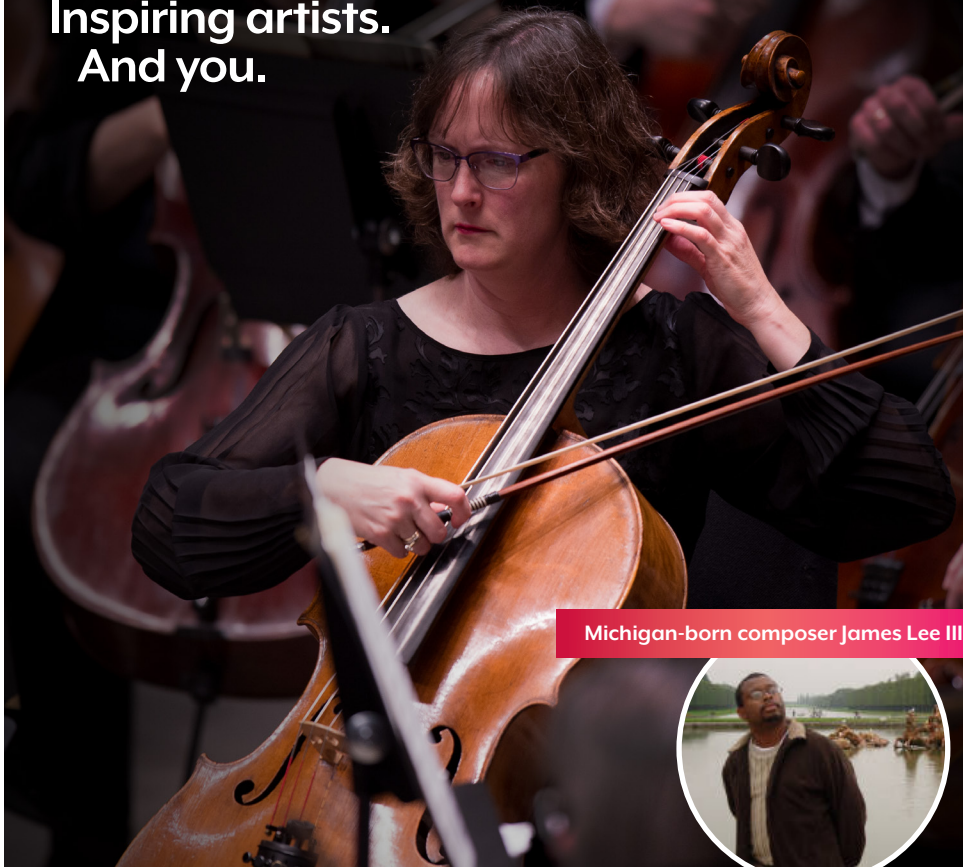
Daniel Bae, Violin

2022 Stulberg International String Competition Gold Medalist

From beginning to end, the concert hall transforms into a field of lush flora and bright-eyed fauna. At its core is a walk on Beethoven's less-wild side as we trek through the countryside in his Sixth Symphony – complete with bubbling streams and rolling thunderstorms! Debussy's *Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun* envelopes you into a shimmering landscape of a sunny spring day and violinist Daniel Bae follows with a thrilling performance.


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Michigan-born composer James Lee III





Epic journeys.  
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Kalamazoo Bach Festival Chorus

## Bruckner: An Epic Symphony

BRUCKNER & PRICE

SAT | NOV 12, 2022 | 7:30 p.m. | Miller

Julian Kuerti, Conductor

We'll be honest: there is no symphony like a Bruckner symphony. With a splash of fairytale intrigue, a bit of big brass, and an orchestra of epic proportions, Anton Bruckner's Fourth Symphony takes us on a breathtaking and grandiose musical journey. Florence Price's moving work *Ethiopia's Shadow in America* sets the stage for this captivating performance.

## An All-American Celebration

GOTTSCHALK, BARBER, & STILL

SAT | MARCH 18, 2023 | 7:30 p.m. | Miller

Julian Kuerti, Conductor

Jun-Ching Lin, Violin

Djembe Yaru, West Afrikan drum group

This lineup of All-American composers encompasses the incredible scope of symphonic music found throughout America! Gottschalk's rhythmic and creole-influenced First Symphony will have you ready to dance and Barber's stunningly beautiful Violin Concerto features concertmaster Jun-Ching Lin. In a truly captivating work, William Grant Still's sensational *Africa* weaves together influences of blues, jazz, and spirituals.

## **Brahms: A Requiem to Hope** **MOZART, BRAHMS, & BEETHOVEN**

**SAT | APRIL 15, 2023 | 7:30 p.m. | Chenery**

Julian Kuerti, Conductor  
Kalamazoo Bach Festival Chorus  
Soprano and Baritone Guest Vocalists

The Symphony is joined by the Kalamazoo Bach Festival Chorus for a bit of Mozart and the concert's focal point: Johannes Brahms' heartfelt Requiem to hope, courage, and the anticipation of joy. The concert opens with a movement from Beethoven's Tenth (yes, Tenth!) Symphony created by a computer's analysis of incomplete musical sketches.

## **Masterworks Season Finale** **RACHMANINOFF, RESPIGHI, & SIMON**

**SAT | MAY 20, 2023 | 7:30 p.m. | Miller**

Julian Kuerti, Conductor  
Marc-André Hamelin, Piano

Finale: to close with something dramatic or exciting. We've got that, and more. The season concludes in a show-stopping fanfare when unforgettable pianist Marc-André Hamelin returns to Kalamazoo for Rachmaninoff's flashy Second Piano Concerto followed by a rousing performance of Respighi's truly massive *Pines of Rome*.

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Marc-André Hamelin

Trailblazing composer Carlos Simon





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### Holiday Pops!

SAT | DEC 3, 2022 | 7:30 p.m.

SUN | DEC 4, 2022 | 3 p.m.

Chenery Auditorium

### Guest Artists



Snowfall, singing, and good tidings to all – there is nothing as joyous as the holiday spirit! Let the Symphony whisk you away on a festive adventure fit for family and friends!



IN CONCERT

MOVIE WITH ORCHESTRA



### Jurassic Park

FRI | FEB 24, 2023 | 7 p.m. | Miller Auditorium

Welcome...to Jurassic Park. Featuring visually stunning imagery and groundbreaking special effects, the action-packed adventure of *Jurassic Park* pits man against prehistoric predators in the ultimate battle for survival. Experience it now, projected in HD with a full symphony orchestra performing John Williams' iconic score live to picture. © UCS LLC and Amblin





## SUNDAY MATINEE CHAMBER MUSIC SERIES



### New this season!

Added by popular demand, this four-concert series allows you to fill a few Sundays with the sounds of the Kalamazoo Symphony chamber orchestra. Add on a few or subscribe to the entire series! If you purchase all four concerts, you are guaranteed the same seat all season.

**Dalton Center Recital Hall, WMU**

### Afternoon of Jazz

**SUN | OCT 2, 2022 | 3 p.m.** | Featuring a jazz combo

It's not every day we get to embrace the significant influence that jazz has had on orchestral music. Featuring some of Charlie "Bird" Parker's famous works, this concert is the perfect way to kick off the first concert in the brand new Chamber Concert Series.

### Modern Marvels

**SUN | JAN 29, 2023 | 3 p.m.**

As players of classical music, we spend most of our time performing works that have been around for decades and sometimes, centuries. But what's happening in today's catalog of classical music? The Symphony chamber players take us through some of today's most exciting hits.

### Afternoon on Broadway

**SUN | APRIL 30, 2023 | 3 p.m.** | Featuring artists from Farmers Alley Theatre


Dim the lights and cue the curtain, the Symphony chamber players are playing some of Broadway's best!

### Takes on Tango

**SUN | JUNE 4, 2023 | 3 p.m.** | Featuring violinist Freddy Varela Montero

It takes (more than) two to tango! The Symphony chamber players take on the task of learning to tango. This fun and upbeat program will have you dancing in the aisles!





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**WED | OCT 12, 2022 | 7 p.m.**

**WED | FEB 8, 2023 | 7 p.m.**

**WED | APRIL 5, 2023 | 7 p.m.**

**Bell's Eccentric Cafe**



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