CONCERT PROGRAM

Friday, December 16, 2016 at 2:00PM Friday, December 16, 2016 at 7:30PM Saturday, December 17, 2016 at 2:00PM Saturday, December 17, 2016 at 7:30PM Sunday, December 18, 2016 at 2:00PM

Steven Jarvi, conductor Nicole Parker, vocalist Holiday Festival Chorus Kevin McBeth, director

> BERNARD arr. Hermann

"Winter Wonderland"

RIMSKY-KORSAKOV

Dance of the Tumblers from The Snow Maiden

WILLIAM BRADLEY ROBERTS

"South African Gloria"
Holiday Festival Chorus
Kevin McBeth. conductor

Jerry Herman

"We Need a Little Christmas"

Nicole Parker, vocalist Holiday Festival Chorus

BERLIN arr. Bennett **"White Christmas"**Nicole Parker, vocalist

arr. Gould "Jingle Bells"

arr. Wilberg

"The First Nowell"
Holiday Festival Chorus

arr. Wilberg

"Carol to the King" Holiday Festival Chorus

INTERMISSION

MANCINI Christmas Rhapsody orch. Hayes

BIEBL "Ave Maria"

Holiday Festival Chorus

LEONTOVICH Ca

arr. Hayman

Carol of the Bells

RODGERS "My Favorite Things" from *The Sound of Music*

Nicole Parker, vocalist

STEPHEN SCHWARTZ "Defying Gravity" from Wicked

Nicole Parker, vocalist

ANDERSON Sleigh Ride

MARTIN "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas"

arr. Hayes Nicole Parker, vocalist

Holiday Festival Chorus

WALTER AFANASIEF/ "All I Want for Christmas Is You"

MARIAH CAREY
arr. Tedd FirthNicole Parker, vocalist
Holiday Festival Chorus

SAM HYKEN Refried Farandole

Presented by Mercy and Macy's.

NICOLE PARKER

Nicole Parker is best known for her portrayal of Elphaba in the Broadway production of *Wicked*. Since playing the green witch in the Broadway company, she has reprised the role for the First National Tour of *Wicked*. Ms. Parker's other Broadway credits include *Martin Short: Fame Becomes Me* and *The People in the Picture* with Donna Murphy. Regionally, Nicole played Juliet in The Second City's *Romeo and Juliet Musical* at Chicago Shakespeare Theater, for which she received a Jeff Award nomination. She also appeared as Rosemary in *How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying* at Reprise Theater, and Pamina in *The Magic Flute* at the Falcon Theater.

For six years, Ms. Parker was also a cast member and contributing writer on Fox's MADtv. For two years, she was a performer and writer for Boom Chicago, an all-American sketch and improvisation theater in Amsterdam. Her film credits include Funny People, directed by Judd Apatow, as well as the short films Weathered and Sitting Babies. This year she was featured as a guest star on the mock game show Bunk on IFC, as well as on ABC in Trust Us with Your Life, an improvisation show from the creators of Whose Line Is It Anyway? She is also a founding member of Waterwell, a non-profit theater company in New York.

Ms. Parker's recent and upcoming orchestral performances include the Philly Pops, Houston Symphony, Phoenix Symphony, Utah Symphony and Opera, Colorado Symphony, San Antonio Symphony, Dayton Philharmonic, Idaho Civic Symphony, Hamilton Philharmonic, and Fresno Philharmonic.



Nicole Parker

Kevin McBeth

KEVIN MCBETH

Kevin McBeth was appointed Director of the IN UNISON Chorus in January 2011. He is the Director of Music at Manchester United Methodist Church in suburban St. Louis. He serves as full-time administrator for the Music Ministry, which includes 18 choral and handbell ensembles, involving nearly 500 children, youth, and adults. He has also recently served as Adjunct Professor in Choral Music at Webster University.

Over the past 20 years, he has conducted honor, festival, and touring choirs (choral and handbell) in the United States and Canada. Previous appointments include Assistant Conductor of the St. Louis Symphony Chorus and Music Director of the St. Louis Metro Singers. His 30-year career in church music has included appointments in churches in Houston and Cedar Rapids.



Steven Jarvi

STEVEN JARVI

Praised for his "uncommonly expressive and detailed" performances by the Miami Herald and described as an "eloquent and decisive" conductor by The Wall Street Journal, Steven Jarvi is a conductor with an equal passion for the concert hall and the opera house. Jarvi recently completed his tenure as the Resident Conductor of the St. Louis Symphony and Music Director of the St. Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra. He won the Bruno Walter Memorial Foundation Award while the associate conductor of the Kansas City Symphony, and previously served as the conducting fellow with Michael Tilson Thomas and the New World Symphony in Miami Beach, an associate conductor for New York City Opera at Lincoln Center, and the Domingo-Cafritz young artist conductor with the Washington National Opera at the Kennedy Center.

CONCERT CALENDAR

For tickets call 314-534-1700, visit stlsymphony.org, or use the free STL Symphony mobile app available for iOS and Android.



DISNEY IN CONCERT: TALE AS OLD AS TIME Fri, Dec 29, 7:00pm | Sat, Dec 30, 7:00pm

Aram Demirjian, conductor; Lisa Livesay, vocalist; Whitney Claire Kaufman, vocalist; Aaron Phillips, vocalist; Andrew Johnson, vocalist

Disney in Concert: Tale as Old as Time explores iconic moments, plot twists and feats of daring heroics from Frozen, Beauty and the Beast, Cinderella, The Little Mermaid, Tangled, The Lion King and many more.

Limited Tickets Remain

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BMO Private Bank New Year's Eve Celebration Sun, Dec 31, 7:30pm

David Robertson, conductor

Ring in the New Year with Music Director David Robertson and the STL Symphony for the annual New Year's Eve's Celebration. Enjoy an enchanting evening full of magical music and unforgettable surprises!

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New World Symphony Fri, Jan 13 | Sat, Jan 14 | Sun, Jan 15 David Robertson, conductor Gil Shaham, violin

ADAMS *The Chairman Dances* KORNGOLD Violin Concerto DVOŘÁK Symphony No. 9, "From the New World"





Andrey Boreyko

SHOSTAKOVICH 15 Fri, Jan 20, 10:30AM | Sat, Jan 21, 8:00pm Andrey Boreyko, conductor; Till Fellner, piano

ROSSINI William Tell Overture BEETHOVEN Piano Concerto No. 2 TCHAIKOVSKY Symphony No. 15

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stage, and Bluemercury, as well as the macys.com, bloomingdales.com, and bluemercury.com websites. The company's roots stretch back to 1858 when R.H. Macy & Co. opened in New York City.

Who are your customers?

Our stores offer merchandise for the entire family—men, women, teens and children—plus an extensive collection of merchandise for the home.

What does Macy's look for when choosing organizations to support?

Our primary objective is to give back to the communities where our employees work and live. It's part of our heritage to be a responsible neighbor and to work toward making our communities stronger and more vibrant. In fact, "give back" is one of our brand values and it is a legacy we honor every day. We also have four philanthropic areas of focus, including arts and culture, education, HIV/AIDS and women's issues.

Why do you support the St. Louis Symphony?

Macy's, Inc. believes that a strong arts culture can inspire widely diverse audiences in our communities, touching each individual in deeply meaningful ways. The St. Louis Symphony is a prime example. It's a jewel in the cultural life of St. Louis, and we are proud that our support will help continue to make it accessible to everyone.

What value do you receive by supporting the St. Louis Symphony?

A renowned orchestra such as the St. Louis Symphony and the other exceptional arts organization in this city contribute mightily to enriching the energy and quality of life here—for our customers and associates.

Why should other organizations support the St. Louis Symphony?

To help keep the St. Louis metropolitan attractive as a place to work and live, we need to ensure the community is vibrant, energetic, and stimulating. Support for the excellence that is the St. Louis Symphony is an important step toward that achievement.