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The Jacksonville Symphony To Play Alongside Rock Idols, The Who

Jacksonville, FL: The Jacksonville Symphony is honored to be invited to join "The Who Hits Back 2022 North American Tour."

Performing at Jacksonville's VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena on April 24, at 7:30 p.m., the Hall of Fame rock group will be accompanied by 33 members of the Jacksonville Symphony. Playing renowned classics in front of 15,000 attendees, the crowd will be nearly ten times the Symphony's regular audience.

"We are so privileged to have our highest caliber musicians perform with The Who on stage," said Steven B. Libman, President and CEO of the Jacksonville Symphony. "Being asked to perform with such an acclaimed group is truly a testament to our world-class Symphony, and we are beyond thrilled to join their tour as they perform for our community."

The Symphony's musicians will be led by Roger Daltrey and Pete Townshend, two of the Who's original band members, who are coming back to the stage two years after their "Moving On" tour.

"To be on stage with the band that I have listened to ever since I was a child is one of the most thrilling concerts of my career," said Laurie Casseday, cellist in the Jacksonville Symphony. "There is nothing like having thousands of people sing along to music that has entertained for decades."

The Who is regarded as one of the most high-achieving bands of their genre that has charted 27 Top 40 singles in the United Kingdom and the United States; sold over 100 million records worldwide; and received 18 Gold, 12 Platinum, and 5 Multi-Platinum album awards in the United States alone.

This performance is an addition to the Symphony's robust schedule at Jacoby Symphony Hall. For more information, visit JaxSymphony.org.

The Jacksonville Symphony is North Florida's leading music nonprofit offering live performances at Jacoby Symphony Hall in the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts and other venues throughout the area. In addition, the Symphony provides music instruction for youth and operates the Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestras. For more information about the Symphony, visit JaxSymphony.org, like them at facebook.com/JaxSymphony; follow them on @jaxsymphony, on Instagram at [JaxSymphony](https://Instagram.com/JaxSymphony), and on YouTube at [JacksonvilleSymphony](https://YouTube.com/JacksonvilleSymphony).

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