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**The Jacksonville Symphony Announces 75<sup>th</sup> Season, Reveals New Branding and Logo**

*2024/25 Season promises to soar higher than ever before*

**JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — May 13, 2024** — The [Jacksonville Symphony](http://JacksonvilleSymphony.com) announces its 75<sup>th</sup> Season, filled with exceptional programming, special events and new, vibrant branding that depicts Jacksonville's sunrises and rivers, reflecting the Symphony's deep connection to the city and its surroundings.

"It is with great joy and excitement that we unveil the Jacksonville Symphony's 75<sup>th</sup> Season. Over the past seven decades, the Symphony has served as the fabric of Jacksonville's cultural landscape, weaving together the threads of music and community spirit through uplifting experiences," said Steven B. Libman, President and CEO of the Jacksonville Symphony. "This milestone is a testament to our mission of reaching new artistic heights year after year. The 2024/25 Season promises to soar to an even higher caliber."

To commemorate this monumental season, the Jacksonville Symphony presents special performances, beginning with *Opening Night: Mahler's Symphony No. 2, "Resurrection"* on September 21, 2024. This program features operatic megastars Ailyn Pérez and Isabel Leonard (who starred in the film *Maestro* with Bradley Cooper), the Jacksonville Symphony Chorus, University of North Florida Chorale, Jacksonville University Singers and the full power of the Jacksonville Symphony.

Kicking off the Pops Series is the world premiere of *Parrots + Palms: The Songs of Buffett & Fins*, co-produced by the Jacksonville Symphony and Spot-On Entertainment. This show celebrates the life, vibe and legendary songs of Jimmy Buffett and his musical “fins” including Zac Brown, Van Morrison, Bob Marley and more in a groundbreaking tribute.

One of the most important season highlights is the return of *Violins of Hope: Building Bridges Through the Power of Music*. This internationally acclaimed concert series features restored instruments once owned by Holocaust victims before and during World War II, demonstrating the power of resilience and the importance of remembrance.

“This season holds a special place in our hearts, reflecting on our rich history and unwavering commitment to artistic excellence. Each meticulously curated performance serves as a testament to our dedication to providing unforgettable musical experiences,” said Courtney Lewis, Music Director of the Jacksonville Symphony. “Our anniversary season heralds a new dawn, marked by exceptional programming and a revitalized brand embodying pride for our community, the vitality of our performances...and the energy of our orchestra.”

Additional 2024/25 Season highlights include 11 Florida Blue Classical concerts featuring masterpieces such as Ludwig van Beethoven’s Symphony No. 7 and Igor Stravinsky’s *The Rite of Spring*; three world premieres by Conrad Tao, Carlos Simon and Brittany J. Green; over 40 guest artists including Pianist Joyce Yang, Guitarist Miloš Karadaglić and the Marcus Roberts Trio; 10 Pops concerts with music from artists like Cher, Donna Summer, Stevie Wonder and The Righteous Brothers; Holiday Specials including the return of *Holiday Pops*, *First Coast Nutcracker* and *Handel’s Messiah*, now with two new additions: *Big Band Holiday* and *Holiday Brass, Organ & Percussion*; three Symphonic Night at the Movies programs: *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows™ - Part 1 in Concert*, *Star Wars: A New Hope in Concert* and *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows™ - Part 2 in Concert*; and much more!

Subscriptions are on sale now to current subscribers looking to renew. Single tickets and new subscriptions are available beginning July 8.

To view the season and learn more about the new brand, visit [JaxSymphony.org](https://JaxSymphony.org) or call the Box Office at (904) 354-5547.

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### **About the Jacksonville Symphony**

The Jacksonville Symphony is North Florida’s leading nonprofit arts organization offering live performances at Jacoby Symphony Hall in the Jacksonville Center for the Performing Arts and other venues throughout the area. Led by President and CEO Steven B. Libman and Music Director Courtney Lewis, the Jacksonville Symphony reaches over 113,000 individuals through over

125 performances each season. In addition, the Symphony's music education programs reach 70,000 students each year and operate the Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestras. For more information about the Symphony, visit [JaxSymphony.org](http://JaxSymphony.org).