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1	OPENING WEEKEND <b>MANFRED'S 60<sup>th</sup> WITH ZUKERMAN!</b>	Sept. 28, 2018 • 8:00 p.m. Sept. 30, 2018 • 2:30 p.m.	Manfred Honeck, conductor Pinchas Zukerman, violin	MASON BATES Commission in Honor of Manfred Honeck's 60 <sup>th</sup> Birthday <b>World Premiere</b> BRUCH Violin Concerto No. 1 BRAHMS Symphony No. 2	PREMIERE FRIDAY	SUNDAY	OVATION FRIDAY	SUNDAY	FORTE SATURDAY	VIRTUOSO FRIDAY	SUNDAY	BRAVURA FRIDAY	SUNDAY	FIREWORKS FRIDAY	SUNDAY
2	<b>BERNSTEIN IN PITTSBURGH</b>	Oct. 5, 2018 • 8:00 p.m. Oct. 7, 2018 • 2:30 p.m.	Manfred Honeck, conductor Jennifer Johnson Cano, mezzo-soprano	BEETHOVEN <i>Leonore Overture</i> No. 3 HAYDN Symphony No. 88 BERNSTEIN Symphony No. 1, <i>Jeremiah</i> STRAVINSKY Suite from <i>The Firebird</i> (1919)	Sept. 28	Sept. 30	Sept. 28	Sept. 30		Sept. 28	Sept. 30				
3	<b>RUSSIAN SHOWPIECES!</b>	Oct. 26, 2018 • 8:00 p.m. Oct. 28, 2018 • 2:30 p.m.	*Pablo Heras-Casado, conductor Maximilian Hornung, cello	RIMSKY-KORSAKOV <i>Capriccio espagnol</i> SHOSTAKOVICH Cello Concerto No. 1 TCHAIKOVSKY Symphony No. 1, "Winter Dreams"	Oct. 5	Oct. 7	Oct. 5	Oct. 7				Oct. 5	Oct. 7		
4	<b>THE PLANETS</b> A CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION	Nov. 2, 2018 • 8:00 p.m. Nov. 3, 2018 • 8:00 p.m. Nov. 4, 2018 • 2:30 p.m.	*John Storgaards, conductor William Caballero, horn The Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh	RAITIO <i>Moonlight on Jupiter</i> <b>PSO Premiere</b> MOZART Horn Concerto No. 4 <b>PSO Premiere</b> HOLST <i>The Planets</i>	Oct. 26	Oct. 28								Oct. 26	Oct. 28
5	THANKSGIVING TRADITION <b>RACHMANINOFF PAGANINI RHAPSODY</b>	Nov. 23, 2018 • 8:00 p.m. Nov. 25, 2018 • 2:30 p.m.	Manfred Honeck, conductor *George Li, piano Cynthia Koleda DeAlmeida, oboe	RACHMANINOFF Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini MOZART Oboe Concerto <b>PSO Premiere</b> Manfred Honeck conducts effervescent Viennese favorites - a Thanksgiving tradition!	Nov. 2	Nov. 4	Nov. 2	Nov. 4	Nov. 3			Nov. 2	Nov. 4		
6	<b>HAYDN'S GREAT MASS</b>	Nov. 30, 2018 • 8:00 p.m. Dec. 2, 2018 • 2:30 p.m.	Manfred Honeck, conductor *Bertrand Chamayou, piano The Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh	MOZART Symphony No. 31, "Paris" RAVEL Piano Concerto for the Left Hand HAYDN Missa In Tempore Belli <b>PSO Premiere</b>	Nov. 23	Nov. 25								Nov. 23	Nov. 25
7	<b>ORCHESTRAL BLOCKBUSTERS</b>	Dec. 7, 2018 • 8:00 p.m. Dec. 9, 2018 • 2:30 p.m.	Yan Pascal Tortelier, conductor *Simone Lamsma, violin	BERLIOZ <i>Roman Carnival Overture</i> KORNGOLD Violin Concerto RACHMANINOFF Symphonic Dances	Nov. 30	Dec. 2	Nov. 30	Dec. 2		Nov. 30	Dec. 2				
8	<b>RACHMANINOFF'S SECOND PIANO CONCERTO</b>	Jan. 11, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. Jan. 12, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. Jan. 13, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	*Mirga Gražinytė-Tyla, conductor Behzod Abduraimov, piano	DEBUSSY Excerpts from <i>Pelléas et Mélisande</i> <b>PSO Premiere</b> RACHMANINOFF Piano Concerto No. 2 RACHMANINOFF <i>The Isle of the Dead</i> DEBUSSY <i>La mer</i>	Dec. 7	Dec. 9	Dec. 7	Dec. 9		Dec. 7	Dec. 9				
9	<b>DVOŘÁK'S "NEW WORLD"</b>	Jan. 25, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. Jan. 27, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	*Long Yu, conductor *Inon Barnatan, piano	QIGANG CHEN <i>Wu Xing</i> (The 5 Elements) <b>PSO Premiere</b> RACHMANINOFF Piano Concerto No. 1 DVOŘÁK Symphony No. 9, "From the New World"	Jan. 11	Jan. 13	Jan. 11	Jan. 13	Jan. 12			Jan. 11	Jan. 13		
10	<b>BEETHOVEN BY BLOMSTEDT</b>	Feb. 8, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. Feb. 10, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	Herbert Blomstedt, conductor	BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 6, "Pastoral" DVOŘÁK Symphony No. 8	Jan. 25	Jan. 27	Jan. 25	Jan. 27				Jan. 25	Jan. 27		
11	VALENTINE'S WEEK: <b>ROMEO &amp; JULIET, PLUS EMANUEL AX</b>	Feb. 15, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. Feb. 16, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. Feb. 17, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	Manfred Honeck, conductor Emanuel Ax, piano	TCHAIKOVSKY Serenade for Strings MOZART Piano Concerto No. 17 TCHAIKOVSKY <i>Romeo and Juliet Overture-fantasy</i>	Feb. 8	Feb. 10								Feb. 8	Feb. 10
12	DRAMATIC SYMPHONY! <b>BERLIOZ'S "DAMNATION OF FAUST"</b>	March 8, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. March 10, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	Manfred Honeck, conductor The Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh	BERLIOZ <i>The Damnation of Faust</i>	Feb. 15	Feb. 17	Feb. 15	Feb. 17	Feb. 16	Feb. 15	Feb. 17				
13	RACHMANINOFF'S THIRD CONCERTO <b>PINES &amp; FOUNTAINS OF ROME!</b>	March 15, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. March 17, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	Juraj Valčuha, conductor *Lukáš Vondráček, piano	RACHMANINOFF Piano Concerto No. 3 RESPIGHI <i>The Fountains of Rome</i> RESPIGHI <i>The Pines of Rome</i>	March 8	March 10								March 8	March 10
14	<b>PEER GYNT</b>	March 22, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. March 23, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. March 24, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	Manfred Honeck, conductor Julian Rachlin, violin	GRIEG <i>Peer Gynt</i> MENDELSSOHN Violin Concerto RACHMANINOFF <i>Caprice bohémien</i> <b>PSO Premiere</b>	March 15	March 17	March 15	March 17		March 15	March 17				
15	<b>TCHAIKOVSKY AND BRAHMS</b>	April 5, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. April 6, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. April 7, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	*Emmanuel Krivine, conductor	BRAHMS Variations on a Theme by Haydn BLACHER Orchestra-variations on a Theme of Niccolò Paganini TCHAIKOVSKY Symphony No. 5	March 22	March 24	March 22	March 24	March 23			March 22	March 24		
16	OHLSSON PLAYS RACHMANINOFF <b>SLATKIN AT 75!</b>	April 12, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. April 14, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	Leonard Slatkin, conductor Garrick Ohlsson, piano	LEONARD SLATKIN <i>Kinah</i> <b>PSO Premiere</b> RACHMANINOFF Piano Concerto No. 4 ELGAR <i>Enigma Variations</i>	April 5	April 7	April 5	April 7	April 6	April 5	April 7				
17	<b>BEETHOVEN VIOLIN CONCERTO</b>	May 10, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. May 12, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	Manfred Honeck, conductor Vilde Frang, violin Matthias Goerne, baritone	BEETHOVEN Violin Concerto MAHLER <i>The Song of the Earth</i>	April 12	April 14	April 12	April 14				April 12	April 14		
18	<b>TCHAIKOVSKY'S FOURTH</b>	May 31, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. June 1, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. June 2, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	*Pietari Inkinen, conductor *Beatrice Rana, piano	SIBELIUS <i>Pohjola's Daughter</i> <b>PSO Premiere</b> PROKOFIEV Piano Concerto No. 3 TCHAIKOVSKY Symphony No. 4	May 10	May 12								May 10	May 12
19	<b>BEETHOVEN'S NINTH</b>	June 6, 2019 • 7:30 p.m. June 7, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. June 8, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. June 9, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	Manfred Honeck, conductor Michael Rusinek, clarinet Nancy Goeres, bassoon Christina Landshamer, soprano; Jennifer Johnson Cano, mezzo-soprano; Werner Güra, tenor; *Shenyang, bass-baritone; The Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh	JONATHAN LESHNOFF Double Concerto for Clarinet and Bassoon <b>Commission and World Premiere</b> BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 9	May 31	June 2			June 1					May 31	June 2
20	<b>IGOR LEVIT PLAYS MOZART</b>	June 14, 2019 • 8:00 p.m. June 16, 2019 • 2:30 p.m.	Manfred Honeck, conductor Igor Levit, piano	MOZART Piano Concerto No. 21 STRAUSS <i>An Alpine Symphony</i>	June 7	June 9	June 7	June 9	June 8	June 7	June 9				
					June 14	June 16	June 14	June 16				June 14	June 16		

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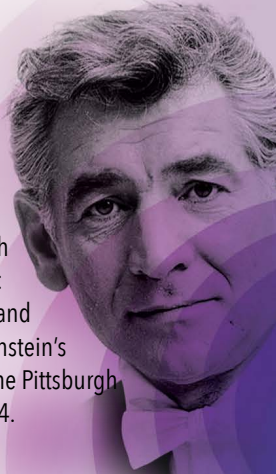
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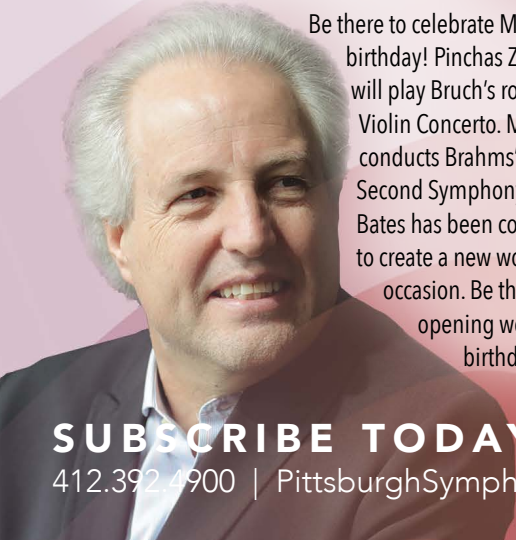
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY MANFRED HONECK!**

Be there to celebrate Manfred's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday! Pinchas Zukerman will play Bruch's romantic First Violin Concerto. Manfred conducts Brahms' lyrical Second Symphony. And Mason Bates has been commissioned to create a new work for the occasion. Be there for this opening weekend birthday party!



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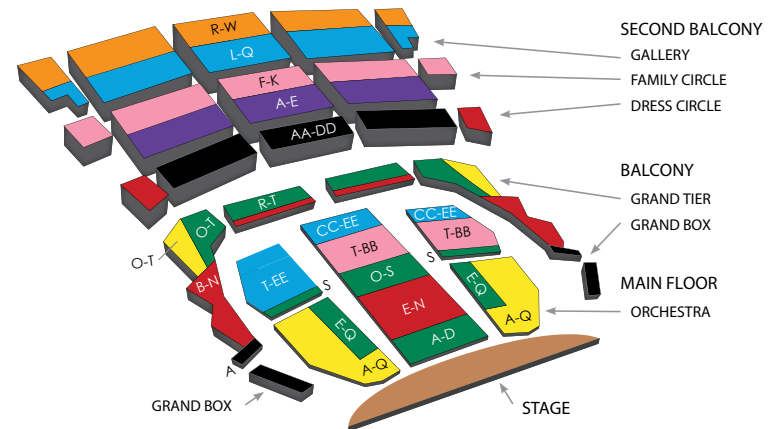
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