

Sinatra: A Centennial Celebration

October 9-11, 2015

Michael Krajewski, *conductor*

Featuring
Michael Andrew, *vocalist*

Join us as we commemorate the “Chairman of the Board” on his 100th anniversary birthday! We’ll take you on a musical journey with classic tunes from the one and only “Ol’ Blue Eyes,” as well as other hits from the life and times of **Frank Sinatra** including Big Band Era music from **Harry James**, **Tommy Dorsey**, and **Count Basie**. Come hear *My Way*; *New York, New York*; *Come Fly With Me*; and *Strangers in the Night* like you never have before, performed live with the impressive sound of The Philly POPS and Michael Andrew, acclaimed singer, bandleader, and authority on Sinatra.

The Carole King Songbook

February 5-7, 2016

Michael Krajewski, *conductor*

Featuring
Liz Callaway, *vocalist*

Grammy Award winner Carole King was one of the most prolific singer-songwriters of the '60s and '70s. Sit back and enjoy Broadway’s Tony-nominated Liz Callaway covering King’s chart-topping hits from *Tapestry*, one of the all-time best-selling albums — *You’ve Got a Friend*, *So Far Away*, *It’s Too Late*, *I Feel the Earth Move* — as well as songs she penned for other artists like **Aretha Franklin’s** *Natural Woman*, **The Drifters’** *Up on the Roof*, and **The Carpenters’** *It’s Going to Take Some Time*. The POPS orchestra will continue to delight you with favorites from King’s fellow Gershwin Prize winners, including **Paul Simon**, **Paul McCartney**, **Stevie Wonder**, and more.

The Music of Billy Joel

March 4-6, 2016

Jack Everly, *guest conductor*

Featuring

Michael Cavanaugh, *vocalist & pianist*

The Philly POPS will put you in a “New York State of Mind” as we present the magical music of Billy Joel, one of America’s most beloved singer-songwriters of all times. We’re thrilled to welcome guest vocalist Michael Cavanaugh, the charismatic performer, musician, and actor who was handpicked by Mr. Joel to play the lead in the Broadway musical *Movin’ Out*, as we cover heartwarming favorites like ***Scenes From an Italian Restaurant, Only the Good Die Young, Just the Way You Are***, and ***My Life***. The fun continues with chart-topping hits by artists who directly influenced Billy Joel, including songs like ***Great Balls of Fire, Johnny B. Goode***, and ***Pinball Wizard***.

100 Years of Broadway

April 15-17, 2016

Michael Krajewski, *conductor*

Featuring

Christiane Noll, *vocalist*

Doug LaBrecque, *vocalist*

Dee Roscioli, *vocalist*

The Philly POPS Festival Chorus

Stroll along America’s “Great White Way” with The Philly POPS, the 130-member Philly POPS Festival Chorus, and our award-winning Broadway guest vocalists Christiane Noll, Doug LaBrecque, and Dee Roscioli. We’ll delight you with show tunes from Broadway’s storied past and present. Selections from the great musicals of **Jerome Kern, Rodgers and Hammerstein, Stephen Sondheim**, and **Andrew Lloyd Webber** include *Make Believe, Oklahoma, All That Jazz, Send in the Clowns, Music of the Night*, and *Defying Gravity*.

Note: Conductor’s Circle seating is not available for this event. You will be seated in the side-orchestra section at no additional charge.

World Premiere!

Cirque Goes to the Movies
May 20-22, 2016

Michael Krajewski, *conductor*

Featuring
Cirque de la Symphonie

There's an all-new circus in town! For the first time ever, Maestro Michael Krajewski and The Philly POPS will present a world premiere pops program featuring Cirque's awe-inspiring physical feats of power and beauty paired with the music from blockbuster movie classics, including ***Gone With the Wind***, ***Chariots of Fire***, ***The Magnificent Seven***, ***Raiders of the Lost Ark***, and ***Gladiator***. Thrill to the spectacle of acrobats, jugglers, and aerial flyers soaring high above the heads of The Philly POPS as they perform on stage. *DC Metro Theater Arts* describes this traveling Cirque troupe as "nothing short of breathtaking"!

Christmas Spectacular
December 5-22, 2015

David Charles Abell, *guest conductor*

Featuring
Lisa Vroman, *vocalist*
Peter Richard Conte, *organist*
The Philly POPS Festival Chorus
Philadelphia Boys Choir
African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas Gospel Choir

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Experience the true magic of the season with Philadelphia's most treasured holiday musical tradition. Join internationally celebrated conductor David Charles Abell, back by popular demand for the third year, as he leads you through an all-new program of Christmas classics. This spectacular lineup of exciting musical arrangements features guest vocalist Lisa Vroman, renowned for her role as Christine in Broadway's *Phantom*, over 300 musicians, remarkable choirs, and the ever-popular audience sing-along — as well as some surprises your whole family will enjoy!

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