Special Events

These special concerts are crowd-pleasers—here for just a brief moment!



Halloween Organ Extravaganza

Friday, October 31 9:30 PM

Peter Richard Conte Organ Ken Cowan Organ Paul Jacobs Organ

New to Philadelphia, celebrate Halloween like never before. Come to this late-evening concert in costume to hear (and see and feel) the Fred J. Cooper Memorial Organ as never before. The Philadelphia Orchestra presents three master organists who pull out all the stops for an evening of spine-tingling Halloween staples. In addition to live performances of favorites such as Musorgsky's *A Night on Bald Mountain* and Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D minor, witness a spectacular summoning of The Philadelphia Orchestra's past music director, as Leopold Stokowski's organ roll recording of Bach's Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor comes to life before your very ears. This and many other surprise delights will make this a Halloween to remember.

Note: The Philadelphia Orchestra does not perform on this program.

Cirque de la Symphonie

Saturday, January 3 8 PM Sunday, January 4 2 PM

Cristian Măcelaru Conductor

The acrobats, aerialists, and jugglers of Cirque de la Symphonie made their Kimmel Center debut in 2014, flying high above the stage and out over the audience and musicians. They're back this season for another set of heart-stopping, gravity-defying shows. The only cirque act to perform exclusively with symphony orchestras, Cirque de la Symphonie's award-winning performers show off their stomach-flipping skills to an incredible program of orchestral showpieces provided by The Philadelphia Orchestra. And remember: Just because our musicians make it look easy, they're also performing the equivalent of a death-defying act every time they reach for a high note or tackle a technically challenging solo. Bring the whole family to this action-packed performance by two phenomenal ensembles.

