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**TICKETS FOR FULL RANGE OF
CSOA-PRESENTED 2019 HOLIDAY PROGRAMS
GO ON SALE FRIDAY, JULY 19**

**Annual Holiday Programs Include *A Chanticleer Christmas* and
Christmas in Vienna with the Vienna Boys Choir**

**Holiday Season Programming Launches Thanksgiving Weekend with
Three Presentations of *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* in Concert**

**Members of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Chicago Symphony Chorus
perform traditional holiday favorites in annual *Merry, Merry Chicago!* concerts**

**Chicago Symphony Orchestra Brass Performs
Concert of Traditional and Symphonic Masterworks**

CHICAGO—Tickets for the Chicago Symphony Orchestra Association (CSOA)'s seasonal and special concerts in November and December 2019 go on sale Friday, July 19, at 10 a.m. CSOA-presented 2019 holiday programs offer audiences a chance to share unique, family-friendly events and treasured music of the season beginning November 29 and continuing through December 23. The performances take place, unless otherwise noted, at Symphony Center, located at 220 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

Holiday season programming launches Thanksgiving weekend with a CSO at the Movies presentation of *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire in Concert* on [Friday, November 29, at 7:30 p.m.](#), with non-subscription performances [Saturday, November 30, at 7:30 p.m.](#), and [Sunday, December 1, at 3 p.m.](#)

In *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*, Harry Potter is mysteriously entered into the Triwizard Tournament, a grueling contest among three wizarding schools in which he confronts a dragon, water demons and an enchanted maze only to find himself in Lord Voldemort's grasp. All will change when Harry, Ron and Hermione leave childhood forever and face challenges beyond their imagining. This concert features the Chicago Symphony Orchestra performing every note live to picture from *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*. Audiences will be able to relive the magic of the entire film in high-definition on a 40-foot screen while hearing the orchestra in a live performance of Patrick Doyle's original score featuring unforgettable themes by John Williams.

In a time-honored tradition at Symphony Center, the **Vienna Boys Choir** returns on [Saturday, November 30, at 2 p.m.](#) The group presents *Christmas in Vienna*, a matinee program filled with classic carols, traditional folk songs and holiday sing-a-long favorites. The world-renowned children's choral group has been performing for more than 500 years in significant concert venues in major cities across all six inhabited continents.

Symphony Center Presents welcomes Grammy Award-winning vocal ensemble **Chanticleer** for its 18th annual engagement of *A Chanticleer Christmas* in two special concerts on [Tuesday, December 3, at 7:30 p.m.](#) and [Wednesday, December 4, at 7:30 p.m.](#) The intimate concert experience opens in candlelight at Fourth Presbyterian Church on Chicago's Magnificent Mile (126 E. Chestnut St.). Hailed as "the world's reigning male chorus" by *The New Yorker*, the San Francisco-based 12-voice male ensemble has performed in a number of distinguished concert halls across North America and Europe.

Members of the CSO perform three special presentations of ***Home Alone in Concert*** with conductor Richard Kaufman. The performances are on [Friday, December 6, at 7 p.m.](#), [Saturday, December 7, at 3 p.m.](#), and [Sunday, December 8, at 3 p.m.](#) The family holiday classic, written by John Hughes and directed by Christopher Columbus, was nominated for two Academy Awards in 1991 for Best Original Song and Best Original Score, both written by John Williams. John Williams also won the 1991 BMI Film Music Award for his work in the film.

Now in its fifth year, the beloved ***Merry, Merry Chicago!*** returns to Symphony Center with a celebration of holiday music for the whole family. This year's festive program is offered in six performances, including family-friendly matinee program times, [December 14 to 23](#). The program, led for the third time by Emil de Cou, features Members of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Chicago Symphony Chorus, prepared by Chorus Director Duain Wolfe. This event features treasured carols including "Joy to the World" and "Sleigh Ride", a spirited sing-along of holiday favorites and a visit by a very special guest from the North Pole.

Chicago Symphony Orchestra (CSO) Brass offers its annual concert on [Wednesday, December 18, at 8 p.m.](#) Renowned for its incredible power, matchless brilliance and dazzling virtuosity, the legendary brass section of the CSO performs a program of traditional favorites and symphonic masterworks.

For CSOA 2019 Holiday program listings information, click [here](#).

Tickets for all CSOA-presented 2019 holiday programs will go on sale Friday, July 19, at 10 a.m., and can be purchased by phone at **800-223-7114 or 312-294-3000**, online at cso.org, or at the Symphony Center box office: 220 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60604.

Artists, programs and prices are subject to change.

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