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## **CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS AT SYMPHONY CENTER WITH FESTIVE CONCERTS AND SPECIAL SEASONAL OFFERINGS**

CHICAGO — Symphony Center (220 S. Michigan Ave.) transforms into Chicago's home for the holidays as it decks the halls and invites concertgoers to experience an array of festive performances this November and December:

- How to Train Your Dragon in Concert ([November 28-30](#))
- Vienna Boys Choir: Christmas in Vienna ([November 29](#))
- A Chanticleer Christmas ([December 9](#))
- Home Alone in Concert ([December 12-14](#))
- Merry, Merry Chicago! ([December 19-23](#))

The highlight of holiday programming at Symphony Center each season is Merry, Merry Chicago!, a beloved tradition. The popular concert will have an added performance from previous seasons and be presented seven times: Friday, December 19 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, December 20 at 1:00 p.m.; Sunday, December 21 at 1:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.; Monday, December 22 at 7:30 p.m., and Tuesday, December 23 at 1:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Conductor John Morris Russell leads members of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Chicago Symphony Chorus, prepared by Chorus Director Donald Palumbo — performing delightful orchestral selections, popular carols and holiday favorites, including a performance of the cherished *Christmas in Chicago*.

As an extra treat before each Merry, Merry Chicago! performance and during intermission, choirs from Chicago area schools and community ensembles will share music with concertgoers throughout the lobby spaces of Symphony Center.

[Explore](#) additional December concert offerings.

## **Holidays at the Symphony Store**

The Symphony Store is a one-stop shop for music-inspired gifts and treasures, including the 2025 commemorative holiday ornament, critically acclaimed recordings of the CSO, kid-friendly books and toys, apparel for the whole family and more. Visit the store during your next trip to Symphony Center or shop online at [symphonystore.com](https://symphonystore.com).

## **Gift Certificates**

A Symphony Center gift certificate is another wonderful way to share the joy of music with your loved ones this holiday season. Gift certificates may be used toward concert tickets or subscription packages and never expire. Order online at [cso.org/giftcertificates](https://cso.org/giftcertificates) or call [312-294-3000](tel:312-294-3000).

## **Food and Beverage**

Explore Symphony Center's on-site dining options for a seamless preconcert experience. Preorder a Sound Bites meal to enjoy in the Rotunda at Symphony Center before the concert — or make a reservation to dine at the Thomas Club, offering a prix fixe menu featuring traditional American fare and a spectacular view of Lake Michigan. View menus and learn more at [cso.org/dining](https://cso.org/dining).

## **Parking and Transit Options**

Exclusive parking rates are available through Millennium Garages, the Preferred Parking Partner for Symphony Center. The closest parking garage is the Grant Park South Garage, located at 325 S. Michigan Ave. Valet parking is available for select performances at Symphony Center's 67 E. Adams St. entrance. A round-trip North Shore Shuttle service is available for Friday matinees. Visit [cso.org/parking](https://cso.org/parking) for more parking and transit options.

## **Patron Information**

Contact Patron Services for personalized assistance online at [cso.org/contact](https://cso.org/contact) or by calling [312-294-3000](tel:312-294-3000), Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

All artists and programs are subject to change.

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