THE 2014-2015 SEASON

SOKA PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
SOKA UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA
INTERNATIONAL SYMPHONY SERIES

Discover the newest trends and preeminent artists in the world of classical music with this 3-show series of international symphony orchestras.

Single Tickets: $59 ($49 student/senior)
Package: 3 International Symphony Performances
Package Price: $117 ($87 student/senior)
Package Savings: $60 (34-40%)

Configuration: Concert

SUNDAYS AT SOKA SERIES

These 70-minute, informal concerts by the Pacific Symphony are perfect for newbies to the classical music scene. Conductor Carl St.Clair discusses the works being presented for a friendly environment of listening and learning. This season features Favorite Violin Concertos with three brilliant violin soloists.

Single Tickets: $49 ($39 student/senior)
Package: 3 Pacific Symphony Performances
Package Price: $102 ($72 student/senior)
Package Savings: $45 (30-38%)

Configuration: Concert

Chee-Yun Kim
INTERNATIONAL SYMPHONY

St. Petersburg State Symphony Orchestra

Saturday, January 24, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.

Under the direction of principal guest conductor Vladimir Lande, and featuring pianist Andrei Gavrilov, the program will include works by Leonard Bernstein, Sergei Rachmaninoff and Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov.

L’Orchestre de la Suisse Romande

Charles Dutoit, Conductor

Thursday, February 12, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.

Conducted by Grammy Award winner Charles Dutoit, featuring the gifted pianist Nikolai Lugansky, the evening features works associated with ballets by composers Rachmaninoff, Stravinsky, Ravel and Debussy.

Academy of St Martin in the Fields with Jeremy Denk

Saturday, March 14, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.

Performing fresh, brilliant interpretations of the world’s most loved classical music without a conductor, the Academy is joined by MacArthur “Genius” Fellow Jeremy Denk, piano. Program: Stravinsky & Bach.

For complete and up-to-date program information on each of these performances, please see our website: www.performingarts.soka.edu

SUNDAYS AT SOKA with PACIFIC SYMPHONY

Carl St.Clair, Conductor

Chad Hoopes

Sunday, November 16, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

Soloist Chad Hoopes is an exuberant 19-year-old American violinist who won first prize at the Young Artists Division of the 2008 Yehudi Menuhin International Violin Competition. Program: Mendelssohn.

Chee-Yun Kim

Sunday, January 18, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

Become enraptured by the charming, charismatic and passionate violinist and educator Chee-Yun Kim’s flawless technique, dazzling tone and compelling artistry. Program: Bruch & Schubert.

Mayuko Kamio

Sunday, March 29, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

Japanese violinist Mayuko Kamio won first prize for violin in the 2007 International Tchaikovsky Competition and is the subject of the documentary Playing for Real. Program: Bach, Strauss & Tchaikovsky.
CHAMBER MUSIC SERIES

Enjoy the superior acoustics of our venue to the fullest with these six intimate concerts for classical music lovers. This season includes three solo piano recitals, two choral groups, and a piano trio.

Single Tickets: (individually priced)
Package: 6 Chamber Music Performances
Package Price: $166 ($116 student/senior)
Package Savings: $64-68 (29-36%)

Configuration: Thrust (unless otherwise noted)

BUNDLE AND SAVE 25% OR MORE! Create Your Own Series of at least 4 shows. Excludes Community and Another Singular Sensation events.

Emanuel Ax
Prague Philharmonic Choir

Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.
Tickets: $39 ($29 student/senior)

*Configuration: Quasi-Thrust*

This first-class, world-renowned vocal ensemble is backed by 80 years of Czech music tradition. In celebration of the International Year of Czech Music, the program includes works by Dvořák & Brahms.

Cantus

Sunday, December 7, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
Tickets: $39 ($29 student/senior)

*Configuration: Quasi-Thrust*

The superb 9-member male vocal ensemble returns with “All Is Calm: The Christmas Truce of 1914.” Out of the violence of WWI’s trenches a young German soldier steps into no man’s land singing *Stille Nacht.*

Emanuel Ax

Friday, January 9, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.
Tickets: $49 ($39 student/senior)

Solo Piano. The first winner of the Arthur Rubenstein International Piano Competition, Grammy Award winner and Steinway Artist Emanuel Ax returns to perform a program of Bizet, Rameau, Debussy and Chopin.

Trio Con Brio Copenhagen

Saturday, March 21, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.
Tickets: $29 ($25 student/senior)

This award-winning piano trio is composed of two Korean sisters and one Danish husband whose close dynamic and cultural blending contributes a uniqueness and intensity to their sparkling, spell-binding performances.

Conrad Tao

Friday, March 27, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.
Tickets: $39 ($29 student/senior)

Solo Piano. The multi-talented, award-winning, 17-year-old musician is playing all over the world as a piano and violin soloist, and has composed works for various chamber music groups throughout the U.S.

Daniil Trifonov

Sunday, April 12, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.
Tickets: $39 ($29 student/senior)

Solo Piano. Now 23, the winner of the Tchaikovsky, Rubenstein and Chopin piano competitions is a prodigy of unmatched technical and emotive music-making ability.
Program: Bach, Beethoven and Liszt.

For complete and up-to-date program information on each of these performances, please see our website: www.performingarts.soka.edu
JAZZ FESTIVAL SERIES

Soka International Jazz Festival is the world’s hottest jazz artists in a world-class venue in one weekend. Presented in cooperation with Bluport Jazz.

Single Tickets: $29 ($25 student/senior)
Package: 4 Jazz Festival Performances
Package Price: $88 ($72 student/senior)
Package Savings: $28 (23-28%)

Configuration: Quasi-Thrust

BUNDLE AND SAVE 25% OR MORE! Create Your Own Series of at least 4 shows. Excludes Community and Another Singular Sensation events.
Friday, September 26, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.

Featuring vocalist Jackie Ryan and the Tamir Hendelman Trio, with special guest Rickey Woodard.
Influenced by her diverse cultural heritage, Ms. Ryan’s lifelong love of jazz defies traditional boundaries.

Saturday, September 27, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

Pianist Mayer strives to finds new depths in the music played by the jazz greats.

Saturday, September 27, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.

Featuring the Roni Ben-Hur/Santi Debriano/Duduka Da Fonseca Trio with Amy London and Claudio Roditi.
Vocalist London brings a warm, swinging style and Roditi adds “bop” and Brazilian elements to the mix.

Sunday, September 28, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

Featuring the Jaime Valle Latin Jazz Ensemble with Alex Acuña, Otmaro Ruiz, Rene Camacho and Allan Phillips, and guests Claudio Roditi and David Williams.
A colorful and kinetic jazz experience.

Please note: dates, times, artists and soloists subject to change.
JAZZ MONSTERS SERIES

Jazz for jazz-lovers! Soka’s ongoing Jazz Monsters Series presents the most talented new and established artists in jazz. This season features one of the world’s greatest female jazz vocalists, a legendary Brazilian guitarist-singer, a 95-year-old big band leader, a genre-defying quartet and the U.S. debut of the Modern Art Orchestra from Budapest.

Tickets: $29 ($25 student/senior)
Package: 6 Jazz Monsters Performances
Package Price: $132 ($108 student/senior)
Package Savings: $42 (25-28%)

Configuration: Quasi-Thrust

Mary Stallings
Kornél Fekete-Kovács
& Modern Art Orchestra

Sunday, September 21, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

Led by renowned trumpeter Fekete-Kovács, the lively, snappy, intuitive and captivating Modern Art Orchestra delivers a unique and fresh sound to the jazz, classical music and crossover scenes.

Gerald Wilson Orchestra

Friday, November 14, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.

Gerald Wilson is celebrating his 70th anniversary as a big band leader. His groundbreaking compositions, intricate arrangements and immediately recognizable sound garnered him five Grammy nominations.

Mary Stallings

Friday, January 16, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.

Having started her singing career at the age of 10, Ms. Stallings now brings a lifetime of emotional intelligence to a lyric. She sings with warmth and soul, holding the stage with elegance and grace.

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Dori Caymmi

Friday, February 27, 2015 at 8:00 PM

This world-class, Grammy Award-winning jazz musician’s sound is a fusion of jazz, pop and Brazilian Bossa Nova strokes that merge into a soothing sound that echoes the history of his famous family.

Fred Hersch

Sunday, April 26, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

This six-time Grammy Award nominee was proclaimed by Vanity Fair as “the most arrestingly innovative pianist in jazz over the last decade or so.” Don’t miss this rare opportunity to hear him play solo.

Pablo Ziegler Quartet

Saturday, May 9, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.

An important figure in Argentine New Tango (the hybrid of tango and jazz), Ziegler continues refining and reimagining the bounds of the tango tradition with Hector Del Curto, Jisoo Ok & Pedro Giraudo.

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Na Leo Holiday Concert
Friday, December 12, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.
Tickets: $39 ($29 student/senior)

Na Leo Pilimehana (voices blending together in warmth) is the most popular, most award-winning and highest-selling female Hawaiian group in the world. Featuring contemporary hits and holiday classics.

Muriel Anderson & Tierra Negra
Saturday, January 31, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.
Tickets: $20

The award-winning guitarist/harp-guitarist returns with Leo Henrichs and Raughi Ebert of Tierra Negra. Their music, a fusion of Americana, Bluegrass and Rumba-Flamenco, has been coined New World Flamenco.

International Guitar Night
Friday, February 20, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.
Tickets: $39 ($29 student/senior)

IGN founder Brian Gore will be joined by three great guitarists: classical innovator Andrew York, Brazilian jazz master Diego Figuierido and contemporary French-Canadian steel string icon Erik Mongrain.

World Music
Soka Performing Arts Center brings you the best emerging and established artists from around the globe. This year’s offerings include artists from four different countries of varying musical styles and genres.

Configuration: Quasi-Thrust

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Direct from Las Vegas “Oh What A Night!” A Musical Tribute to Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons

Sunday, November 2, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.
Tickets: $35-45 (based on location)

A family-friendly musical revue with great choreography, energy, humor and recognizable classic pop songs that have become timeless, including Sherry, Big Girls Don’t Cry, Rag Doll and Walk Like A Man.

Dale Kristien & Bill Hutton

Sunday, February 8, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.
Tickets: $35-45 (based on location)

Evans Associates presents these Broadway stars in “The Glorious Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber.” Kristien and Hutton return by popular demand to celebrate the world’s greatest living theatre composer.

Charo

Sunday, March 8, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.
Tickets: $39-59 (based on location)

She’s outrageous! She’s incomparable! She’s the one-and-only Charo! Evans Associates presents this new Vegas-style review featuring dancers, musicians and her award-winning classical Flamenco guitar.

The OTHER 3 Tenors

Sunday, April 19, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.
Tickets: $35-45 (based on location)

With theatre-shaking voices, side-splitting humor, operatic arias and musical theatre standards, The OTHER 3 Tenors deliver majestically musical high notes and hijinks, presented by Evans Associates.
COMMUNITY EVENTS

These performances are presented by or in conjunction with community and professional organizations. Whether you’re looking for something with a little more variety, something for the whole family, or for a specific genre of music (Opera!) you will find it here.

Configuration: Quasi-Thrust

Kūlia i ka Pūnāwai
Soka University Faculty Recital

Saturday, October 18, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.
Tickets: $5


“All Puccini’s Heroines”

Sunday, October 26, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.
Tickets: $59 ($49 student/senior)

Italian American Opera Foundation presents Tuscia Operafestival Symphony Orchestra conducted by Stefano Vignati, featuring Mariangela Spotorno, Chiara Giudice. Excerpts: La Boheme, Madama Butterfly, Turandot.

Aliso Viejo Holiday Show

Saturday, December 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
Tickets: $10 adult/$5 child

“Voices of Peace,” a choral celebration of the holidays, is the fourth annual event presented by the City of Aliso Viejo and Soka University, featuring the extraordinary talents in our community.

The All-American Boys Chorus

Sunday, December 14, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.
Tickets: (TBA)

Herald the season with this joyful family Yuletide event! Sing along as these superbly trained young men present your favorite holiday carols with their “perfect voices” (Long Beach Press-Telegram).

Kūlia i ka Pūnāwai

Sunday, February 15, 2015 at 3:30 p.m.
Tickets: $25

The Kumu Hula Association of Southern California presents “Kaulana Nā Pua” (Famous are the Flowers), which chronicles the tumultuous events that brought the Hawaiian kingdom to an end in the 1890s.

Chamber Music | OC

Sunday, March 1, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.
Tickets: $20 ($5 student, $15 senior)

CMOC presents a fresh take on “Carnival of the Animals” in a multimedia program of duo piano masterpieces featuring internationally-acclaimed Grace Fong and Kevin Kwan Loucks.

“Opera MasterWorks”

Saturday, April 11, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.
Tickets: $25-60 ($15-50 student/senior) (prices based on location)

South Coast Symphony (the unstuffy symphony for the OC) presents an evening of famous arias, duets, quartets and beloved opera choruses featuring a full orchestra and chorus conducted by Barry Silverman.

Soka International Festival

Saturday, May 2, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.
Admission is Free! Parking: $10

Soka University’s annual International Festival features 900+ international musicians and dancers performing continuously on three stages. And food! A proud partner of Orange County’s Imagination Celebration.

Please note: dates, times, artists and soloists subject to change.
3 EASY WAYS TO BUY TICKETS

1 Purchase online: www.performingarts.soka.edu
   - Click on the TICKETS tab in the left navigation sidebar.
     – Click on the Buy Tickets button if you’re ready to purchase tickets
     – Click on the Buy Packages button if you’re ready to buy a package
     – Click on the Create Your Own Series button if you’re ready to bundle a minimum of 4 events and SAVE 25% OR MORE
   – Returning customers can click on the MyTickets Account button to log in to their account
   – To see our full listing of events, click on the CALENDAR tab in the left navigation sidebar.
     – Select the event you want to learn more about
     – Click on the Buy Tickets button at the bottom of the event page when you’re ready to purchase

2 Visit the Box Office: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
   - Box Office is also open one hour prior to scheduled performance times on performance days. Closed on major holidays.
   - Our Box Office is located on the southeast side of the Performing Arts Center building on the Soka University campus at 1 University Drive, Aliso Viejo, CA 92656.

3 Order by phone: 949.480.4ART (4278)
   - Leave a clear voice message when Box Office is closed.
   - Have this information ready: promotional offers or coupon codes, the event for which you want tickets, number of patrons in your party and whether any require ADA/accessible seating, your full name and phone number, and your payment method.

Soka Performing Arts Center utilizes the Tickets.com ticketing system. Only Tickets.com tickets are valid for entry to our events.

METHODS OF PAYMENT AND DELIVERY OPTIONS

Methods of Payment:
- Cash
- Credit/Debit Cards: Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover
- Checks made payable to: “Soka University of America”

Delivery Options: A physical ticket is mandatory for entry to any event
- Will Call: We keep your physical tickets at the Box Office, and make them available for pick up during normal business hours or one hour prior to your event (recommended option). Will Call tickets are only released to the designated purchasing-patron. Please notify us if other guests will be using or picking up your tickets.
- Electronic: By providing an accurate email address, downloadable tickets will be sent to you that you can print at home. Your receipt and ticket email should arrive within 24 hours.
- Mail to Me: Physical tickets can be sent to you via USPS to any location within the 50 states. We apologize that we are unable to ship to any locations considered “International” such as Guam, Puerto Rico, etc. This option is not available for transactions within 10 days of the event to prevent shipping delays.

POLICIES AND DEFINITIONS

Tickets for Children: Regardless of age, everyone attending an event must have a ticket and sit in a seat. Lap-sitting for young children without a ticket is not permitted. Most performances are not recommended for children under 5.

Refunds: All ticket sales are final. No refunds on tickets will be provided unless an event is canceled and not rescheduled. All performers, programs and seating configurations are subject to change without prior notice.

Exchanges: Ticket exchanges are permitted to the original purchaser prior to the start of the event. All exchanges are subject to availability and a modest fee may be applied for some exchange transactions.
Lost/forgotten ticket: Reprinting lost or forgotten tickets may require a modest fee.

Buying tickets for another party: Please notify the Box Office prior to the event day with the name of the person who is authorized to claim and use the tickets.

Buying tickets when the Box Office is closed: Buy tickets online up to 2 hours before the event. You can also buy tickets at the Box Office when it opens one hour before the event. Every attempt will be made to return urgent voice messages prior to events on weekends.

Seniors: Patrons who are 62 years of age or better.

Students: Must present a valid Student I.D. card, or be obviously of school-age (under 18 years old) and accompanied by an adult.

ADA POLICIES AND ACCOMMODATIONS: Soka Performing Arts Center is in full compliance with ADA/ADAAA law in that:

- ADA compliant parking spaces are available with wheelchair/stair-free access to the Center.
- All lobby, restrooms and backstage areas of the Center are fully accessible.
- ADA compliant seating is available on all three floors within the Center.
- All levels of the Center are elevator accessible.
- Each wheelchair-friendly ADA-space (without a chair) in the audience has three or more assigned Companion Seats immediately adjacent.
- Assisted Listening Devices are available for loan during performances, free of charge.
- American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation is available with 7-days advance notice.

Please note: The Center provides significant guidance and resources to assist our third-party presenters with their ADA/ADAAA responsibilities in the distribution of tickets. In the event of seating errors, we will do our utmost to resolve issues in a timely and sensitive manner.

Patrons who wish to transfer from a wheelchair into a seat at the Center for an event are asked to call the Box Office prior to or immediately after their transaction to ensure the best ticketing and seating experience.

Wheelchair/accessible seating is a protected right under federal ADA/ADAAA law. The Center reserves the right to reasonable inquiries to prevent the fraudulent purchase of tickets by patrons without a disability, and to adjust seating in the case of errors, with no discounts or refunds.

CONFIGURATIONS:
The Center has a flexible layout for audience seating in up to 12 sections on three floors. Events occur in the configuration that best fits the staging and technical needs of the program, and provides the optimal view for audience members. Refer to the event listings for the configuration of each event, it may affect available sections for ticketing.

Thrust Configuration:
Max. Capacity 1,032 persons
All removable-seating sections installed.

Concert Configuration:
Max. Capacity 915 persons
No SL or SR seating sections and no rows AA or BB in SC section.

Quasi-Thrust Configuration:
Max. Capacity 944 persons
No SL or SR seating sections but includes rows AA and BB in SC section.

Not all seating sections will be available for all performances. Consult the online seating map for each event to view available seats, or call the box office at 949.480.4278.
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