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- Dozens of concerts on sale, from Beethoven's Fifth to Disney in Concert
- TFO will rock you: Announcing the music of Queen, Tom Petty
- Some ticket prices increase for first time since 2011

PHOTOS: For photos of Home Alone, Florida Orchestra and 2018-19 guest artists, [click here](#)

ST. PETERSBURG, FL -- With its new season fast approaching, The Florida Orchestra has added the beloved holiday film *Home Alone* to its concert lineup, expanding its movie concerts to four blockbusters this season. The orchestra will perform John Williams' charming score live as the comedy classic plays on the big screen for one night only, Friday, Dec. 21, 2018, at 7:30 pm at Ruth Eckerd Hall, just in time for Christmas.

Reserved seat tickets for the special *Home Alone* in Concert are \$29, \$40, \$45, \$55, \$65, and \$75 plus fees and go on sale at 10 am Monday, Aug. 13, along with single tickets to TFO's entire 2018-19 season, which range from \$18 to \$65. Tickets will be available at FloridaOrchestra.org, at 727.892.3337 or 1.800.662.7286, and at the Florida Orchestra Ticket Center. Season ticket subscribers have VIP priority and can buy tickets now.

The highest-grossing holiday film of all time, *Home Alone* will be brought to life just a few days before Christmas by The Florida Orchestra, conducted by TFO Assistant Conductor [Daniel Black](#). The Twentieth Century Fox movie features Macaulay Culkin as Kevin McCallister, an 8-year-old boy who is accidentally left behind when his family leaves for Christmas vacation and must defend his home against two bungling thieves.

Home Alone is one of four film concerts TFO will perform this season in conjunction with Ruth Eckerd Hall and the Straz Center, all with John Williams' iconic scores. Tickets are already on sale for **Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban™ in Concert** on Oct. 13-14, 2018, at the Straz Center; **Star Wars Live in Concert: Episode IV - A New Hope** on Dec. 1, 2018, at Ruth Eckerd Hall; and **Star Wars Live In Concert: Episode V - Empire Strikes Back** on Jan. 26, 2019, at Ruth Eckerd Hall.

The Florida Orchestra will launch its 51st season with the four most famous notes in music, **Beethoven's Symphony No. 5**, conducted by Music Director [Michael Francis](#) on Sept. 28-30 at concerts in Tampa, St.

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Petersburg and Clearwater. The Tampa Bay Times Masterworks season also features **Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue*, Holst's *The Planets* and Tchaikovsky's *Violin Concerto*.**

The Raymond James Pops series opens with Maestro Francis conducting **Bernstein's Broadway**, which celebrates a century of an American original, Leonard Bernstein, as well TFO's Pride Weekend on Oct. 5-6, with a Saturday matinee. Other series highlights include Principal Pops Conductor [Jeff Tyzik](#) leading **Holiday Pops**, as well as the ever-popular **Disney in Concert: Tale as Old as Time and Ragtime, Blues and All That Jazz**, with fan favorite Byron Stripling. The opening Coffee concert features **Broadway** music on Nov. 1, conducted by Principal Guest Conductor [Stuart Malina](#). Full schedules of these previously announced series are available at floridaorchestra.org.

Rock on with TFO and the music of Queen, Tom Petty

Tried-and-true classic rock goes classical, combining The Florida Orchestra with a full rock band and vocalist. **Tickets: \$35, \$50 and \$65.**

- **The Music of Queen:** From *Bohemian Rhapsody* to *Another One Bites the Dust*, epic riffs blend with soaring strings -- exactly how Queen's greatest hits should be performed. Brent Havens conducts the orchestra and a full rock band, with fan favorite Brody Dolyniuk on vocals.
Fri, Oct 19, 8 pm, Mahaffey Theater
- **The Music of Tom Petty:** Born in Gainesville, the late Tom Petty grew into an American legend. TFO pays tribute with songs like *Free Fallin'*, *Mary Jane's Last Dance*, *American Girl* and many more. Brent Havens conducts the orchestra and a full rock band, with Tony Vincent on vocals.
Fri, Jan 25, 8 pm, Mahaffey Theater

For first time in 8 years, some ticket prices will increase

As part of its core mission, The Florida Orchestra is dedicated to offering a wide range of concerts at affordable prices. TFO is the largest professional orchestra in Florida, yet it offers some of the lowest prices anywhere for performing arts.

This season, for the first time in eight years, TFO will increase base prices in its Masterworks and Pops series by \$3, to \$18, \$33, and \$48, plus fees. Coffee and Rock prices remain unchanged. Ticket prices also may vary depending on demand. However, all subscribers to any series will be locked into last year's prices.

Why the change? The last time TFO adjusted ticket prices was when it lowered them as part of an accessibility initiative in 2011 (TFO also streamlined packages and diversified programming). A lot has changed since then, including the cost of presenting an outstanding orchestra concert. With record ticket sales last season, TFO also has experienced increased demand for many concerts. Our goal is to better balance cost and demand while still remaining affordable to all.

TFO will continue to offer numerous ticket deals. Compose Your Own tickets are just \$25 each when you buy three or more Masterworks and Pops concerts, saving up to 50% off the top-priced single tickets. Student and military tickets are \$10, available 1 hour before the concert. Kids and teens get in free to all Masterworks concerts with a paying adult with Classical Kids & Teen tickets, available in advance through the TFO Ticket Office. The orchestra also will perform many free or low-cost concerts this season, including four free Pops in the Park and three pay-what-you-can Inside the Music concerts.

Single tickets to these concerts and series go on sale Aug. 13:

- **Home Alone in Concert:** \$29, \$40, \$45, \$55, \$65, \$75, plus fees

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- **Tampa Bay Times Masterworks and Raymond James Pops series:** \$18, \$33, \$48, plus fees; prices may vary depending on demand. Also includes Weekend Matinee series at the Mahaffey. Kids and teens ages 5-18 get in free to Masterworks concerts with Classical Kids & Teen tickets, available in advance.
- **Coffee Concert series:** \$24, \$29, \$34, \$42, plus fees.
- **Rock concerts:** \$35, \$50, \$65, plus fees.

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For more Florida Orchestra news and features, [click here for the TFO Blog](#).

[About The Florida Orchestra](#)

The Florida Orchestra is recognized as Tampa Bay's leading performing arts institution, the largest professional symphony orchestra in Florida, and one of the most vibrant and innovative orchestras in America. This is its 51st season. Under the leadership of Music Director Michael Francis, it performs more than 130 concerts a season, with series of classical, popular, and morning coffee concerts in Tampa, St. Petersburg and Clearwater, as well as free Pops in the Park concerts. Dedicated to bringing music to all people, connecting to the community is a priority, with pre-concert talks, family and youth concerts and other educational activities. Kids and teens get in free to classical Masterworks concerts with Classical Kids tickets. To buy tickets: floridaorchestra.org and 727.892.3337 or 1.800.662.7286.