

**Saturday, September 17, 2011 - 8:00 PM**  
**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**  
Christopher Wilkins, conductor

**Opening Night**

**Prokofiev:** Lieutenant Kijé Suite, Op. 60  
**Tchaikovsky:** Romeo and Juliet Fantasy-Overture  
**Sibelius:** Symphony no 1 in E minor, Op. 39

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**Saturday, October 15, 2011 - 8:00 PM**  
**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**  
Christopher Wilkins, conductor  
Akron Symphony Chorus; Maria Sensi Sellner, director  
Dina Kuznetsova, soprano  
Brian Keith Johnson, baritone

**Opera's Greatest Moments**

Dina Kuznetsova, a star of the international operatic stage, makes her home in Akron. She headlines a program featuring thrilling operatic moments from the roles that have made her voice and her persona known throughout the world. The Akron Symphony and Symphony Chorus dazzle with operatic hits and heart-stoppers, including the "William Tell" Overture and the dramatic storm scene from Verdi's "Otello."

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**Saturday, November 12, 2011 - 8:00 PM**  
**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**

Benjamin Zander, guest conductor  
George Li, piano

**Ben, Beethoven, and Brahms**

**Beethoven:** Coriolan Overture in C minor, Op. 62  
**Beethoven:** Concerto for Piano no 4 in G major, Op. 58  
**Brahms:** Symphony no 4 in E minor, Op. 98

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**Sunday, November 13, 2011 - 3:00 PM**  
**Barberton High School, Barberton**  
Levi Hammer, conductor

**Akron Youth Symphony: Fall Concert**

**Rossini:** Il barbiere di Siviglia  
**Schubert:** Rosamunde, D 797/Op. 26  
**Berlioz:** Symphonie fantastique, Op. 14

**Rimsky-Korsakov:** Russian Easter Festival Overture, Op. 36  
**Mendelssohn:** Hebrides Overture, in B minor Op. 26 "Fingal's Cave"  
**Holst:** The Planets, Op. 32/H 125

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**Saturday, November 19, 2011 - 8:00 PM**  
**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**  
Christopher Wilkins, conductor

**Wicked Divas**

Stephanie J. Block and Julia Murney, stars of the hit musical "Wicked" in a concert of divine diva showstoppers from "The Phantom of the Opera," "Chicago," "Ragtime," "Spamalot," "The Wizard of Oz," "Wicked," and more!

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**Friday, December 16, 2011 - 8:00 PM**  
**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**  
Carl Topilow, conductor  
Akron Symphony Chorus; Maria Sensi Sellner, director

**Holiday Pops**

The tradition continues as Carl Topilow (Cleveland Pops) leads the Akron Symphony Orchestra in this beloved annual concert of traditional and contemporary holiday favorites, including an appearance by Santa Claus and free candy canes for the kids!

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**Saturday, January 21, 2012 - 8:00 PM**  
**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**  
Christopher Wilkins, conductor  
Jody Guinn, harp  
Cynthia Warren, English horn  
Scott Johnston, trumpet  
Zachary Collins, viola  
Jessi Pasternak, viola  
Michael DeBruyn, cello  
Hannah Moses, cello

**World Class Begins At Home**

**Copland:** Quiet City  
**Debussy:** Danse sacrée et danse profane  
**Mozart:** Symphony no 35 in D major, K 385 "Haffner"  
**Bach:** Brandenburg Concerto no 6 in B flat major, BWV 1051  
**Stravinsky:** Pulcinella Suite

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**Sunday, February 12, 2012 - 3:00 AM**

**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**

Levi Hammer, conductor, piano

**Akron Youth Symphony: Winter Concert**

**Debussy:** Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune

**Shostakovich:** Concerto for Piano no 2 in F major, Op. 102

**Copland:** Rodeo

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**Saturday, February 18, 2012 - 8:00 PM**

**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**

Christopher Wilkins, conductor

Akron Symphony Chorus; Maria Sensi Sellner, director

**Ode To Joy**

**Brahms:** Academic Festival Overture in C minor, Op. 80

**Beethoven:** Meeresstille und glückliche Fahrt, Op. 112 (Calm Sea and Prosperous Voyage)

**Beethoven:** Symphony no 9 in D minor, Op. 125 "Choral"

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**Saturday, February 25, 2012 - 7:30 PM**

**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**

Christopher Wilkins, conductor

Akron Symphony Gospel Choir; Jennifer Mekel Jones, director

**Gospel Meets Symphony**

One of Akron's most celebrated cultural events returns for its 19th annual performance featuring the Akron Symphony Orchestra and 100-plus member Gospel Choir!

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**Saturday, March 17, 2012 - 8:00 PM**

**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**

John Morris Russell, guest conductor

Chad Hoopes, violin

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**Mendelssohn:** Hebrides Overture, in B minor Op. 26 "Fingal's Cave"

**Mendelssohn:** Concerto for Violin in E minor, Op. 64

**Tchaikovsky:** Symphony no 6 in B minor, Op. 74 "Pathétique"

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**Saturday, March 31, 2012 - 7:30 PM**

**Medina Performing Arts Center, Medina**

Akron Youth Symphony; Levi Hammer, conductor

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Greater Akron Youth Philharmonic; Damon D. Conn, Thomas Resnick, conductors

**Akron Youth Orchestras: Side-By-Side**

The Akron Youth Symphony and Greater Akron Youth Philharmonic perform together in this special side-by-side event.

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**Saturday, April 14, 2012 - 8:00 PM**

**Akron Civic Theatre, Akron**

Christopher Wilkins, conductor

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**Titanic: The Musical**

The Akron Symphony presents its first staged Broadway musical with Maury Yeston and Peter Stone's Tony Award-winning "TITANIC" performed here on the 100th Anniversary of the ship's fateful voyage.

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**Saturday, April 21, 2012 - 8:00 PM**

**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**

Christopher Wilkins, conductor

**American Visions: 60th Anniversary Concert**

**Zahab:** Akron Chronogram (World Premiere)

**Brubeck:** Ansel Adams: America

**Dvorak:** Symphony no 9 in E minor, Op. 95/B 178 "From the New World"

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**Sunday, April 22, 2012 - 3:00 PM**

**St. Sebastian Church, Akron**

Maria Sensi Sellner, conductor

**Akron Symphony Chorus: Spring Concert**

**Rutter:** Gloria

**Finzi:** Magnificat for Choir and Organ/Orchestra, Op. 36

**Bernstein:** Chichester Psalms

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**Sunday, April 29, 2012 - 3:00 PM**

**E. J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, Akron**

Levi Hammer, conductor

**Akron Youth Symphony: Spring Concert**

**Wagner:** Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg

**Tchaikovsky:** Symphony no 5 in E minor, Op. 64