

Make plans now to see the Oregon East Symphony

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PENDLETON — Season tickets are now on sale for the Oregon East Symphony's 2022-23 concert series.

"Artistic director and conductor Dr. Beau Benson has selected an exciting lineup of concert programs which span many styles of classical music," J.D. Kindle, OES executive director, said in a press release.

All concerts will take place at Pendleton's municipal concert hall, the Vert Auditorium, 480 SW Dorion Ave.

Season tickets are \$80 for adults, \$60 for seniors, \$45 students, or \$240 for a family.

Tickets are available for purchase at www.OregonEastSymphony.org, or through the OES office (541-276-0320) located at 345 SW Fourth St. (Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.)



The Oregon East Symphony has released its 2022-2023 concert season.

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No. 3 in A minor, Op. 56."

"Mendelssohn's Third Symphony is also known as 'Scottish Symphony' due to its incorporation of Scottish folk melodies," Kindle wrote in a press release. "The concerto will include yet-to-be-determined concerto work."

The annual Chamber Music Festival will take place in the Vert Clubroom (located in the basement of the Vert Auditorium) on Saturday, April 22, 2023. The festival features a variety of small ensembles performing chamber works with hors d'oeuvres and beverages provided by OES's volunteer board of directors.

Kindle said this concert is an optional addition to the season ticket package (an extra \$20 for adults, seniors and students, and extra \$80 for a family season pass).

The season will conclude Saturday, June 10, 2023, with "A Hero's Life" conducted by Benson.

Kindle said OES is programming works by contemporary African American composers in its symphonic programs this season to continue the symphony's commitment to diversity. The fall concert will feature Adolphus Hailstork's fanfare "Intrada," the spring concert Jessie Montgomery's "Strum," and the season finale "Immerse" by Quinn Mason.

SEASON SCHEDULE

For "Space Jam!" OES's season opening concert on Sunday, Nov. 6, Benson will conduct John Williams's "Star Wars Suite," featuring music from the beloved film series. Complimenting the program will be Gustav Holst's tone poem, "The

Planets," a work that heavily inspired Williams's score for "Star Wars."

The Holiday Music Festival, OES's annual ecumenical celebration of the holidays featuring a variety of community groups, is Sunday, Dec. 11. In addition to a performance by the symphony, under the direction of Assistant Conductor Zach Banks, this year's installment will feature the Pendleton Brass Quintet, Our Songs Are Alive from the Umatilla Indian Reservation, and Christmas carol singalongs by Adam Lange.

After a winter break, Benson returns on Saturday, March 11, 2023, to conduct the spring concert "Some Like It Scot!" featuring Felix Mendelssohn's "Symphony



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