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**KIMMEL CULTURAL CAMPUS AND THE
PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA HOST
PHILADELPHIA FALL ARTS FEST,
FREE FESTIVAL-STYLE EVENT
FEATURING MORE THAN 50 ARTS ORGANIZATIONS
FROM ACROSS THE REGION**

*Public is invited to celebrate Philadelphia’s robust arts and cultural scene,
interacting with dozens of regional cultural organizations
and enjoying FREE performances and activities*

*Plus, FLASH SALE! \$20 tickets on over 100 events
when purchased in-person*

Saturday, September 17, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

For Immediate Release: Philadelphia, PA (August 30, 2022) – The Kimmel Cultural Campus celebrates the kickoff of Philadelphia’s robust arts and cultural season with *Philadelphia Fall*

Arts Fest, a day of FREE festival-style performances, the chance to interact with more than 50 arts organizations from across the region, and \$20 tickets to a selection of over 100 events! The sequel to 2021's *Arts Launch* event, which brought thousands of arts and entertainment lovers to the Kimmel last fall for the first time in two years, *Philadelphia Fall Arts Fest* shines the spotlight on the rich and diverse arts and culture scene across the City of Brotherly and Sisterly Love.

"*Philadelphia Fall Arts Fest* is an opportunity to showcase the many artists and arts organizations that make our arts and culture sector special," said Matías Tarnopolsky, President and CEO of The Philadelphia Orchestra and Kimmel Center, Inc. "Philly is a vibrant and extraordinary place filled with creativity and talent, and we believe in the truth of rising tides lift all boats - we are better and stronger together as an arts community. September 17 is about celebrating that."

Taking place Saturday, September 17, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m., attendees are invited inside the largest Kimmel Cultural Campus building – the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts at 300 S. Broad Street – where organizations from across the region will participate in the festivities – either by performing or presenting information about their upcoming programming and recruiting staff & volunteers. *Philadelphia Fall Arts Fest* guests are welcome to explore activities and demonstrations showcasing a variety of genres ranging from hula hoops and tap dance, to jazz, Broadway and classical. Performances will be held on the Plaza stage under the 150 ft high glass dome, as well as within Perelman Theater. There is something for everyone (including giveaways)! [Click here to check out the performances planned thus far](https://www.kimmelculturalcampus.org/events-and-tickets/events/philadelphia-fall-arts-fest), or visit <https://www.kimmelculturalcampus.org/events-and-tickets/events/philadelphia-fall-arts-fest>.

Attendees will be treated to a special in-person flash sale offer: \$20 tickets to over 100 events across the upcoming 2022-23 season. Flash sale offerings range from jazz favorites like Preservation Hall Jazz Band and Monterey Jazz Festival; to family favorites like Disney's *Winnie the Pooh*, Disney Junior Live on Tour: *Costume Palooza*, and *Annie*; plus, laugh-inducing events like *Friends! The Musical Parody* and the latest from comedian Amanda Seales with *Black Outside Again Tour*; Broadway blockbusters like *The Lion King*, *Les Misérables*, *Come From Away*, and *Jagged Little Pill*; and epic performances from The Philadelphia Orchestra, including Strauss and Price, Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 4, Mozart's Requiem; and the Glorious Sound of Christmas. In addition to the \$20 tickets to *The Lion King* in select locations, full-price tickets to all seat locations will be onsale for one-day-only on September 17. Sales will be conducted at the Kimmel Center building box office (located downstairs on the lower level). For a list of events included in this special flash sale, [visit our website here](https://www.kimmelculturalcampus.org/events-and-tickets/events/philadelphia-fall-arts-fest) or via <https://www.kimmelculturalcampus.org/events-and-tickets/events/philadelphia-fall-arts-fest>.

"The arts are powerful – able to uplift, transform, and draw us together – and what better place to celebrate that than on our city's Avenue of the Arts," said Kelly Lee, Chief Cultural Officer and Director of the Office of Arts Culture and the Creative Economy for the City of Philadelphia. "I am looking forward to seeing so many of our region's diverse arts and cultural organizations all in one place. The *Fall Arts Fest* will be a one stop shop to get information about all of the great performances and exhibits for the upcoming season."

Select participating organizations include BalletX, Esperanza Arts Center, Jazz Philadelphia, Kun-Yang Lin/Dancers, The Lady Hoofers Tap Ensemble, Musicopia, Usiloquy Dance Designs, and so many more. A preliminary schedule, as well as a full alphabetized list of participating performers and cultural organizations, is below.

Musicians of the Philadelphia Orchestra will perform music from Mozart and Mendelssohn, and audiences will be treated to a performance of "Bring Him Home" from *Les Misérables* tour cast member, Andrew Marks Maughan; Maughan plays the following roles: Champmathieu,

Combeferre, Lesgles, and is understudy for Jean Valjean. Audiences will also experience the Kimmel's musical theater high school students – called ShowStoppers – performing selections from *Willy Wonka Jr.*

Kimmel Cultural Campus Resident Companies will participate, including Opera Philadelphia, Philadelphia Ballet, The Philly POPS, PHILADANCO!, and The Curtis Institute of Music. Opera Philadelphia will partner with the Marian Anderson Museum to present singers and accompanist (vocalists will perform selections from Bonds and Price that span multiple genres, from tin pan alley to spirituals to cabaret), while a museum scholar will perform “My Soul’s Been Anchored in the Lord”. Artifacts from the Marian Anderson Museum will be on display in the Kimmel Center. Philadelphia Ballet will also have a surprise costumed character, and PHILADANCO! will perform an excerpt from “This Place”, choreographed by Ray Mercer. Curtis Institute of Music will present pianist Élias Ackerly, performing Beethoven’s Sonata No. 6 in F major, Op.10 No. 2, and Liszt’s Transcendental Etude No. 10 in F minor.

Plaza activities include The West Powelton Drummers presented by Musicopia. Attendees are invited to interact and join in the hula hooping with Philly Hoop Starz Dance Troupe, while Keep Music Alive will present an instrument petting zoo. Broadway activities include an *Annie* photo-op, *CATS* coloring sheets, and a special map *Come From Away* activation.

Additionally, Kimmel-partner Garces Events will activate a champagne cart in the Plaza for refreshments, and concessions will be open; while WURD Radio will be onsite once again broadcasting live from the Kimmel.

There will also be a special Philly Fashion Week exhibit, featuring two designers, Conrad Booker and Prajje Oscar, and six models, giving attendees a glimpse of what to expect for Philadelphia Fashion Week 2022. Join in as they redefine fashion in Philadelphia and showcase the best of what the city has to offer.

The preliminary lineup of performances is as follows:

Plaza Stage

- Philadelphia Clef Club of Jazz and Performing Arts
- Aurora Classical
- Curtis Institute of Music
- Opera Philadelphia
- Musicians of the Philadelphia Orchestra
- Esperanza Arts Center: Artístas y Músicos Latino Americanos
- Jazz Philadelphia
- Kimmel Cultural Campus ShowStoppers

Perelman Theater Stage

- The Philadelphia Orchestra’s HEARTTogether podcast live recording
- The Lady Hoofers Tap Ensemble
- BalletX
- Kun-Yang Lin/Dancers (KYL/D)
- International Ballet Exchange
- Usiloquy Dance Designs

- Philadelphia Ballet
- Shero Dance Company
- PHILADANCO! The Philadelphia Dance Company

Performance activity within Plaza space

- Philly Fashion Week
- West Powelton Drummers

Please see below for a full list of participating arts organizations:

Performance Activity

- Aurora Classical of Culture Trust Greater Philadelphia
- BalletX
- Curtis Institute of Music
- Esperanza Arts Center: Artistas y Musicos Latino Americanos
- International Ballet Exchange
- Jazz Philadelphia
- Kimmel Cultural Campus ShowStoppers
- Kun-Yang Lin/Dancers (KYL/D)
- The Lady Hoofers Tap Ensemble
- Musicopia
- Opera Philadelphia
- PHILADANCO! The Philadelphia Dance Company
- Philadelphia Ballet
- Philadelphia Clef Club of Jazz and Performing Arts
- Shero Dance Company
- Iris Quartet of the Philadelphia Orchestra
- The Philadelphia Orchestra's HEARTTogether podcast
- Usiloquy Dance Designs

Participating Organizations

- African American Museum In Philadelphia
- Almanac Dance Circus Theatre
- The Artblog Inc.
- Aurora Classical of Culture Trust Greater Philadelphia
- Avenue of the Arts
- BalletX
- Center City District
- Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia
- Creative Kids Club
- Curtis Institute of Music
- Esperanza Arts Center – Artistas y Musicos Latinoamericanos
- FringeArts
- Garces
- Images of the Motherland

- InterAct Theatre Company
- International Ballet Exchange
- Jazz Philadelphia
- Keep Music Alive
- Kimmel Cultural Campus
- Kun-Yang Lin/Dancers (KYL/D)
- The Lady Hoofers Tap Ensemble
- Marian Anderson Museum
- Movement Performing Arts Conservatory
- Multicultural Arts Exchange
- Musicopia
- Network for New Music
- Opera Philadelphia
- Orchestra Concordia
- PHILADANCO! The Philadelphia Dance Company
- Philadelphia Ballet
- Philadelphia Chamber Music Society
- Philadelphia Clef Club of Jazz and Performing Arts
- Philadelphia's Magic Gardens
- The Philadelphia Orchestra
- Philadelphia Theatre Company
- Philadelphia Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts
- Philadelphia Youth Orchestra Music Institute
- Philly Fashion Week
- Philly Hoop Starz Dance Troupe
- The Philly POPS
- Pickleberry Pie Hospital Concerts for Kids
- Piffaro, the Renaissance Band
- Project 440
- Root Quarterly
- Sankofa Healing Studio
- Scooney Publishing House
- Shero Dance Company
- Souls Shot Portrait Project
- Storybook Musical Theatre
- Taller Puertorriqueno
- Temple Music Prep
- The Jazz Journeys Center for Cultural Innovation
- The Women's Coalition for Empowerment, Inc.
- University City Arts League
- Usiloquy Dance Designs
- Wilma Theater
- WURD Radio

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ABOUT POKC

On June 17, 2021, The Philadelphia Orchestra and Kimmel Cultural Campus announced a pathbreaking partnership to create a brighter, more inclusive, and innovative cultural future for Philadelphia: The Philadelphia Orchestra and Kimmel Center Inc. (POKC). This new organization will reimagine the power of the arts to bring joy, create community, and effect change—to uplift all Philadelphians. We have united from a position of strength to bring the greatest performances and most impactful education and community programs, in-person and digitally, to the diverse audiences of Philadelphia and beyond.

KIMMEL CULTURAL CAMPUS

Located in the heart of Center City, Philadelphia, our mission is to engage the region's diverse communities with art through performance and education. Our Cultural Campus serves more than 1-million guests per year and includes Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts (Verizon Hall, Perelman Theater, and SEI Innovation Studio), the Academy of Music, and the Miller Theater (formerly the Merriam Theater) – representing more than 160 years of rich history for the performing arts along Philadelphia's Avenue of the Arts. We are home to The Philadelphia Orchestra and seven esteemed Resident Companies: Opera Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Ballet, The Philly POPS, PHILADANCO!, The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, The Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, and Curtis Institute of Music. With nearly 9,000 seats per night, we are the region's most impactful performing arts center, and the second largest in the country. Our Cultural Campus serves as a preeminent and inclusive place to enjoy exceptional experiences that reflect the spirit of our region by cultivating a creative and socially responsible environment where our community shares experiences that are delivered with pride, integrity, and respect. As a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization, we collaborate on, present, and produce a broad range of relevant and meaningful events, we serve as an active gathering space for social and community events, we educate the region's young people through access to quality arts experiences, and we provide support to artists in the creation of new work. Read Kimmel Cultural Campus' vision statement, world view, and mission statement [here](#). Learn more about our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion and how it encompasses our mission, co-workers, and programs [here](#).

THE PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA

Founded in 1900, The Philadelphia Orchestra is one of the world's preeminent orchestras. Through [performances](#), programming, and [educational and community initiatives](#), the Orchestra shares the transformative power of music and creates joy, connection, and excitement through music regionally, nationally, and globally. The Orchestra originally performed at the Academy of Music, and in 2001 moved to its home at the Kimmel Cultural Campus' Verizon Hall. With [Yannick Nézet-Séguin](#), now in his 10th season as the music director, the ensemble performs annually at Carnegie Hall and during residencies at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center, the Bravo! Vail Music Festival, and the Mann Center for the Performing Arts. The Orchestra is committed to bringing classical music to communities wherever they may be and discovering new and inventive ways to nurture its relationship with loyal patrons, with programs like [HearTOGETHER](#), [weekly broadcasts on WRTI-FM](#), a national radio series on SiriusXM, and more.

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