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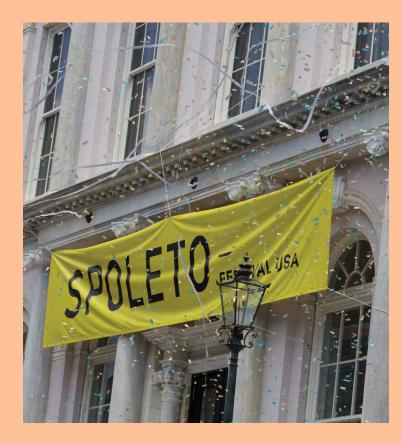
SPOLETO FESTIVAL USA CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

May 23 — June 8, 2025



# Opening

Welcome artists from around the world and celebrate the beginning of the 49th season at the Opening Ceremony of Spoleto Festival USA.



The annual kickoff event, at the historic intersection of Broad and Meeting Streets, features chiming church bells, speeches from the steps of City Hall, surprise performances, and festive revelry.

> Friday, May 23 12:00pm

# Ceremony

For nearly fifty years, the world's greatest artists have come to Spoleto Festival USA—having spent their lives devoted to perfecting craft and canon—to create something at the very bleeding edge of human expression. Spoleto is where understanding is nurtured and minds are expanded, where we see with new eyes and hear with new ears.

In 2025, Spoleto is a place of renaissance, anchored in the constant revival which defines this city. Here, life is vivid and time is languid. Amble down cobblestone streets to catch chamber music at the Dock Street Theatre; dance the body electric under a canopy of Spanish moss at the College of Charleston's Cistern Yard; witness acrobats soar as high as our city's fabled steeples and actors enliven theaters once used as vaudeville houses. The moment you smell the jasmine in the air you know it's here, Charleston's extra season squeezed between spring and summer: Spoleto.

Our proposition is simple—explore Charleston, be unencumbered, rejuvenate yourself as we embark on a fantastical idea: a journey through the heights and depths of emotion through the breadth of artistic imagination. Together, at Spoleto, we are renewed.



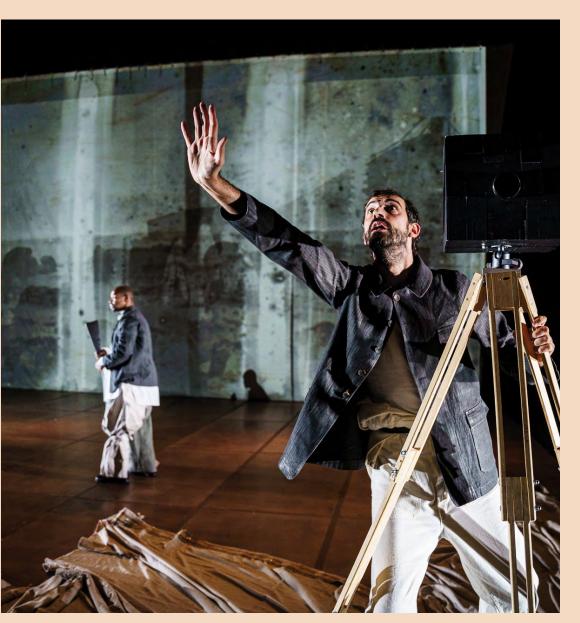
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## **White Box**





#### **U.S. Premiere**

In 1897, three scientists set out to fly over the North Pole in a gas balloon. They never returned. Then, a discovery. Their fate, shrouded in mystery for decades, is revealed through a found camera and rolls of film that were buried in the ice for 33 years. This theatrical exploration blends dance, music, film, and projection to tell a poetic and impressionistic distortion of the true story. A loving tribute to photography and its capacity to expose the power, beauty, and fragility of the environment, this show is a metaphoric comedy about memory, destiny, legacy, and hubris in the face of nature's force.

**Directed by**Sabine Theunissen

**Choreographed by**Gregory Maqoma

FEATURING

Thulani Chauke, dancer

Fana Tshabalala, dancer

Andrea Fabi, performer

Angelo Moustapha, percussion

**Catherine Graindorge,** violin, viola

College of Charleston Emmett Robinson Theatre

Thursday, May 29 7:00pm

Friday, May 30 6:00pm and 8:30pm

Saturday, May 31 2:00pm and 7:30pm

Approximately 1 hour Tickets start at \$45

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# **Fragments**

#### Alisa Weilerstein

For the first time, renowned cellist Alisa Weilerstein presents the culmination of a multi-year project in six extraordinary solo recitals that highlight newly commissioned works from today's great composers paired with Bach's indelible cello suites.

This Spoleto Chamber Music series alumna envisions the project as a "celebration of the really disparate voices in contemporary classical music." By seamlessly weaving together Bach's timeless compositions with innovative new works, Weilerstein, at the height of her artistic finesse, constructs a captivating narrative.

Each performance is a standalone experience, performed without intermission and without a traditional program. Enhanced by evocative lighting and scenic design, this immersive approach invites audiences to connect with the music on a profound level.

Spoleto is honored to be the first to showcase the complete Fragments project, including the world premieres of the final two recitals. Don't miss this opportunity to witness the culmination of an unique and deeply personal artistic journey.



Co-commissioned by Spoleto Festival USA.



College of Charleston Sottile Theatre

Fragments 1

Monday, May 26 5:00pm

Fragments 2

Monday, May 26 8:00pm

Fragments 3

Wednesday, May 28 6:30pm

Fragments 4

Thursday, May 29 8:00pm

Fragments 5

Saturday, May 31 3:30pm

World Premiere

Fragments 6

Saturday, May 31 6:00pm

**World Premiere** 

Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes Tickets start at \$45

Save on tickets for multiple performances. Visit spoletousa.org

Conversations With Tuesday, May 27 3:30pm

Host and CBS News correspondent Martha Teichner interviews Alisa Weilerstein at the CofC Simons Center Recital Hall

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A cellist of explosive emotional energy.

THE NEW YORK TIMES

#### Composers

Alan Fletcher, Allison Loggins-Hull, Ana Sokolović, Andy Akiho, Carlos Simon, Caroline Shaw, Courtney Bryan, Daniel Kidane, Gabriel Kahane, Gabriela Lena Frank, Gabriela Smith, Gerard McBurney, Gili Schwarzman, Gity Razaz, Jeffrey Mumford, Jessie Montgomery, Joan Tower, Johann Sebastian Bach, Joseph Hallman, Mathilde Wantenaar, Matthias Pintscher, Missy Mazzoli, Osvaldo Golijov, Paul Wiancko, Reinaldo Moya, Tania Leon, Thomas Larcher, Chen Yi

# Bank of America Chamber Music

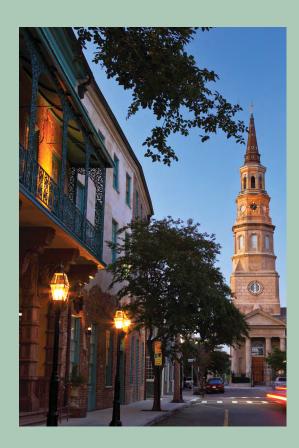
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17 DAYS

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PROGRAMS

NEW EVENING CONCERTS

OF A KIND EXPERIENCE







### **Bank of America Chamber Music**

This cornerstone Festival series promises a captivating journey through the world of classical music in one of its most intimate and accessible forms. Curated by Charles E. and Andrea L. Volpe Director of Chamber Music Paul Wiancko, the series offers 11 unique programs each performed three times at the **Dock Street Theatre**. For the first time, we will offer two evening performances. Don't miss this chance to be moved and inspired by the beauty of chamber music! Full program and repertoire is available at spoletousa.org.

Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes
Tickets start at \$40



#### Program I

Friday, May 23 1:00pm

Saturday, May 24 11:00am and 1:00pm

#### **Program II**

**Sunday, May 25** 11:00am and 1:00pm

Monday, May 26 11:00am

#### Program III

Monday, May 26 1:00pm

**Tuesday, May 27** 11:00am and 1:00pm

#### Program IV

Wednesday, May 28 11:00am and 1:00pm

Thursday, May 29 1:00pm

#### Program V Thursday, May 29

(**NEW TIME**) 6:00pm

Friday, May 30 11:00am and 1:00pm

#### Program VI

Saturday, May 31 11:00am and 1:00pm

Sunday, June 1 11:00am

#### **Program VII**

Sunday, June 1 1:00pm

Monday, June 2 11:00am and 1:00pm

#### **Program VIII**

Tuesday, June 3 11:00am and 1:00pm

Wednesday, June 4 1:00pm

## Program IX Wednesday, June 4

NEW TIME 6:00pm

Thursday, June 5

#### 11:00am and 1:00pm

#### **Program X**

Friday, June 6

11:00am and 1:00pm

Saturday, June 7 11:00am

### Program XI

Saturday, June 7 1:00pm

#### Sunday, June 8 11:00am and 1:00pm



The 2025 Suzan D. Boyd Composer-in-Residence is Mahsa Vahdat, an internationally acclaimed Iranian singer and women's rights advocate.

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# Conversations With Wednesday, June 4 3:00pm

Host and CBS News correspondent Martha Teichner interviews Mahsa Vahdat at the Dock Street Theatre.



2025 Musicians

Steven Banks, classical saxophone · Inon Barnatan, piano · Jessica Bodner, viola · Gabriel Cabezas, cello · Jay Campbell, cello · Anthony Roth Costanzo, countertenor · Daniel Chong, violin · Celia Hatton, viola · Alexi Kenney, violin · Ayane Kozasa, viola · Soyeon Kate Lee, piano · Geneva Lewis, violin · Anthony Manzo, bass · David McCarroll, violin · Pedja Mužijević, piano · Tara Helen O'Connor, flute · Todd Palmer, clarinet · Daniel Phillips, violin · Stephen Prutsman, piano · Raman Ramakrishnan, cello · Livia Sohn, violin · Melissa White, violin

### The Turn of The Screw

#### **Benjamin Britten**

#### WORLD PREMIERE

Prepare to be captivated by the chilling beauty of this dark and suspenseful chamber opera. Set in a remote country house, the tale follows a governess who grapples with supernatural forces threatening her young charges.

This haunting tale is brought to life at the historic Dock Street Theatre, a venue lauded by the *Wall Street Journal* as the "ideal—and all too rare—conditions" for opera performance in the U.S."

Renowned director Rodula
Gaitanou, whose 2023
Spoleto production of *Vanessa*was met with critical acclaim,
returns to helm this thrilling
new production. François
López-Ferrer conducts the
talented cast, and the Spoleto
Festival USA Orchestra.

Music by Benjamin Britten

Libretto by Myfawnwy Piper

**Directed by Rodula Gaitanou** 

**Conducted by** François López-Ferrer.



#### **Dock Street Theatre**

Friday, May 30 7:30pm

Sunday, June 1 5:00pm

Tuesday, June 3 7:00pm

Friday, June 6 8:00pm

Approximately 2 hours, 15 minutes, including an intermission

Tickets starting at \$55; limited view seating available for \$29

#### Conversations With Thursday, May 29

3:00pm Host and CBS News

correspondent Martha
Teichner interviews
director Rodula Gaitanou
at the Dock Street
Theatre.

Opera programming is endowed by the Arthur and Holly Magill Foundation.





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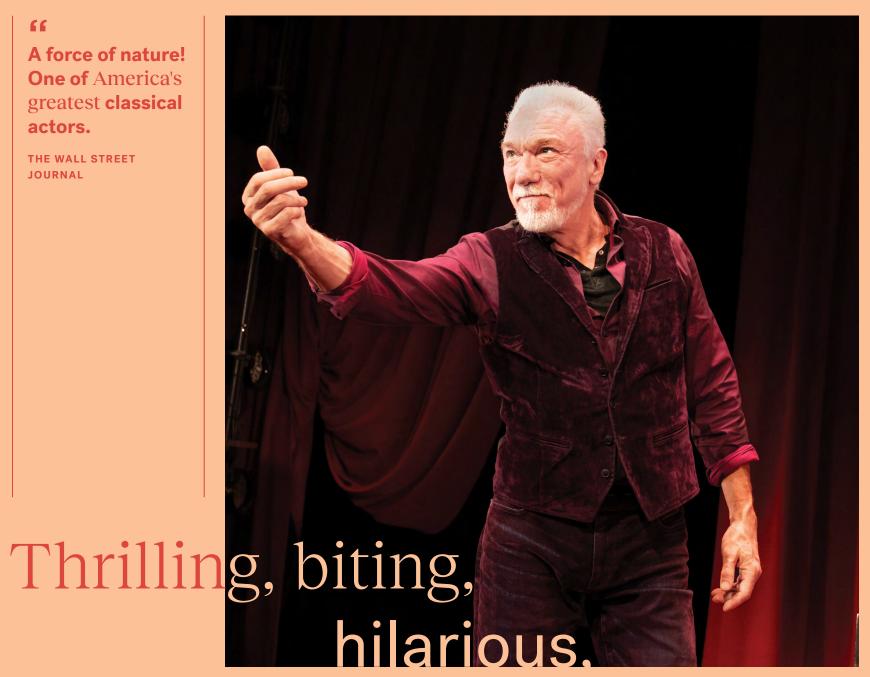
## All the Devils Are Here

**How Shakespeare Invented the Villain** 

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A force of nature! **One of** America's greatest classical actors.

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL



Dubbed "the villain of Broadway" by Playbill, Tony Award-nominee and **GRAMMY Award-winner** Patrick Page has never shied away from exploring his dark side. Now, with this tour de force show, he turns his attention to the twisted motivation and hidden humanity at the heart of Shakespeare's greatest villains. Moving swiftly through the Bard's canon, Page illuminates the playwright's ever-evolving conception of evil by delving into more than a dozen of his most wicked creations. Thrilling, biting, hilarious, and enlightening, what Page delivers is a masterclass on the most terrifying subject of them all: human nature.

**Created and performed by** Patrick Page

**Directed by Simon Godwin** 

**College of Charleston Sottile Theatre** 

Thursday, June 5 6:00pm

Friday, June 6 5:30pm

Saturday, June 7 2:00pm & 8:00pm

Sunday, June 8 2:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 25 minutes Tickets start at \$59

This performance contains depictions and discussions of adult themes. There is also use of haze and fog effects, bright lights, strobe lighting, and loud noises.

& enlightening

## The 4th Witch

**Manual Cinema** 

#### **World Premiere**

Emmy Award-winning Manual Cinema returns to Spoleto with a world premiere performance that blends shadow puppetry, live-action silhouettes, and music to create a haunting reimagining of Shakespeare's Macbeth.

This unique adaptation follows a young girl who is unwittingly drawn into the dark world of the three witches. As she becomes their reluctant apprentice, she grapples with a strange new power and the moral implications of her actions.

Prepare to be mesmerized by stunning visuals and a haunting soundscape that bring the magic of theater to life. Come and see the Scottish Play in a whole new light.

College of Charleston
Emmett Robinson Theatre

Wednesday, June 4

6:30pm

Thursday, June 5

8:00pm

Friday, June 6

6:00pm

Saturday, June 7

3:00pm and 7:00pm

Sunday, June 8

3:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes

Tickets start at \$55

For adults and children 12 and older.

Co-commissioned by Spoleto Festival USA

# A haunting reimagining of



# Shakespeare's Macheth.

### **The Orchestra Concerts**

Immerse yourself in the vibrant energy of the Spoleto Festival USA Orchestra. Witness as emerging musicians, under the baton of Music Director Timothy Myers, deliver three unforgettable performances.



# Rosenkavalier Suite + Sibelius Violin Concerto

This captivating performance features the dazzling virtuosity of violinist Alexi Kenney as he takes on the iconic Sibelius concerto, and the sweeping drama and exquisite beauty of Strauss's Der Rosenkavalier orchestral suite. These two jewels are intertwined with works by two of today's most intriguing composers in Stellar, a powerful opener by the "lyrical, complex, singular" (The Guardian) Shawn E. Okpebholo, and a dive into the "ocean of orchestral sonorities" (Los Angeles Times) in Samy Moussa's mesmerizing Elysium.

Charleston Gaillard Center Martha and John M. Rivers Performance Hall

Saturday, May 31 8:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 45 minutes, including one intermission
Tickets start at \$38

# Mendelssohn's Third Symphony

This evening of vibrant, evocative music explores the power of movement, emotion and nature. The concert begins with the lively and colorful Scherzo by Väinö Raitio, a piece full of energy and charm. Superstar cellist Inbal Segev takes center stage, performing DANCE, a concerto by Anna Clyne written specifically for her, which blends passionate lyricism with dramatic emotion. The evening culminates with Mendelssohn's Scottish Symphony, a sweeping work filled with evocative melodies and breathtaking beauty, capturing the essence of the Scottish landscape and its emotional depth.

Charleston Gaillard Center Martha and John M. Rivers Performance Hall

Thursday, June 5 7:30pm

Approximately 1 hour, 40 minutes, including intermission Tickets start at \$38

# Mozart's 29th Symphony

Experience the transformative magic of orchestral music in an intimate, resonant setting. The Festival Orchestra takes you on a sonic journey with a program that combines the serene beauty of Arvo Pärt's ethereal Fratres; the intense, surging landscapes of Missy Mazzoli in her colorful These Worlds in Us; and the enduring elegance and vibrance of Mozart's timeless melodies in his Symphony No. 29. Set within the breathtaking acoustics of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, this concert offers an unforgettable opportunity to hear these masterworks come alive in a space where every note seems to speak directly to you.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church

Monday, May 26 2:30pm

Approximately 1 hour Tickets start at \$40

# Immerse yourself in vibrant energy and exceptional talent

WELLS FARGO JAZZ

## Cécile McLorin Salvant

"With Every Breath I Take"

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The most interesting singer around today no matter what the genre, no matter what the language.

**PASTE** 



Visionary vocalist Cécile McLorin Salvant and the Spoleto Festival USA Orchestra explore timeless jazz ballads newly arranged by Darcy James Argue. Duke Ellington, Stephen Sondheim, and Kurt Weill, among others, are reimagined in singular fashion. Revel in Salvant's original, innovative compositions, drawing inspiration from a wide range of musical styles, including classical, folk, and soul.

**Conducted by Clark Rundell** 

Sullivan Fortner, piano

David Wong, bass

Kush Abadey, drums

**Charleston Gaillard Center** Martha and John M. Rivers **Performance Hall** 

Wednesday, May 28 8:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes Tickets start at \$39

FEATURING

**Spoleto Festival USA Orchestra** 

**Jazz Talk** Monday, May 26

Jazz curator and writer Larry Blumenfeld interviews Cecile McLorin Salvant and Sullivan

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of musical styles. including classical, folk, and soul

# **Phillip Golub**



66 a musician in fast ascent

THE WALL STREET **JOURNAL** 

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Following his acclaimed Festival debut in 2024 with Sarafand and in the world premiere opera Ruinous Gods, Phillip Golub returns to Spoleto for a residency showcasing the breadth of his own sound.

A pianist, improviser, and composer, Golub creates highly original and expressive music, grounded in—but not constrained by-his engaged practice in jazz, creative music, and new music.

This residency offers a unique opportunity to experience his artistry in a variety of settings, from intimate solo piano and duo performances to his dynamic quintet.

**Program I: Solo College of Charleston Recital Hall** 

Sunday, May 25 5:00pm and 7:00pm

**Program II: Dream Brigade** 

**College of Charleston Recital Hall** 

Monday, May 26 5:00pm and 7:00pm

**Program III: Quintet Circular Congregational** Church

Tuesday, May 27 5:00pm and 7:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes Tickets start at \$37



## **Ambrose Akinmusire**

Trumpeter Ambrose Akinmusire demonstrates depth, range, and creative breadth in a four program residency in three different venues. From an intimate solo performance to an expansive ensemble—including a trio set with Festival fixtures drummer Tyshawn Sorey and pianist Sullivan Fortner journey through Akinmusire's captivating blend of compositions that are as poetic and graceful as they are bold and unflinching.

" arguably the most technically gifted trumpeter of his generation

THE NEW YORK TIMES

**Program I: Quartet** Ambrose Akinmusire,

Sam Harris, piano

Harish Raghavan, bass

Justin Brown, drums

**Dock Street Theatre** 

Thursday, June 5 7:00pm

**Program II: Trio** Ambrose Akinmusire,

Tyshawn Sorey, drums

Sullivan Fortner, piano

**Dock Street Theatre** 

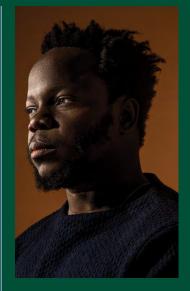
Thursday, June 5

**Program III: Honey** From a Winter's Stone Ambrose Akinmusire.

**College of Charleston Sottile Theatre** 

Friday, June 6

Tickets start at \$29



**Program IV: Solo** Ambrose Akinmusire,

**Circular Congregational** Church

Saturday, June 7 5:00pm

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# Multiple collaborative performances

showcasing jazz artists in residence

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# Etienne Charles Gullah Roots

with special guest **Quentin Baxter** 

Trinidad-born trumpeter, composer, and storyteller Etienne Charles embarks on a captivating musical journey that explores the rich history and culture of the Gullah Geechee people, drawing parallels to his Caribbean heritage.

Joined by the masterly percussion of Quentin Baxter, a Charleston native and Festival favorite. Charles weaves a mesmerizing sonic tapestry. The varied compositional textures and pulsating rhythms evoke a trance-like state, inviting listeners to explore the deep connections between Afro-Caribbean, Gullah, and American jazz traditions.

Etienne Charles, trumpet Quentin Baxter, drums

Programming at the College of Charleston Cistern Yard is kindly endowed by Carlos, Lisa, and Blake Evans.



**College of Charleston Cistern Yard** 

Wednesday, June 4 9:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes Tickets start at \$45

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A flamboyant stylist with radical instincts.

**DOWNBEAT** 

# Vijay Iyer Trio

Described as "one of the best bands in jazz" by *The New* York Times, Vijay Iyer Trio is a powerful collaboration between piano virtuoso Vijay lyer, master drummer Tyshawn Sorey, and bass luminary Linda May Han Oh. The trio's members all celebrated composers and bandleaders, as well as returning Festival performers—push the limits of improvisation and composition, delivering a truly unforgettable sonic affair.

Vijay lyer, piano

Linda May Han Oh, bass Tyshawn Sorey, drums

**Jazz Talk** Monday, June 2 3:30pm

Jazz curator and writer Larry Blumenfeld interviews Vijay Iyer at the CofC Simons Center Recital Hall.

**College of Charleston Sottile Theatre** 

Tuesday, June 3 7:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 30 minutes Tickets start at \$39

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truly astonishing

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# **Evening** with **Branford Marsalis**

A jazz icon for decades, saxophonist Branford Marsalis and his renowned quartet continue to redefine the genre. Their upcoming album, Belonging, promises more of their signature blend of innovation and tradition. Witness firsthand as they perform both new and beloved works, showcasing why they remain one of the most influential jazz ensembles of our time.

**Branford Marsalis.** saxophone

Joey Calderazzo, piano

Eric Revis. bass

Justin Faulkner. drums



**Charleston Music Hall** Sunday, June 1 7:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes Tickets start at \$49

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## **Bach's Mass in B Minor**

**Spoleto Festival USA Chorus + Orchestra** 

After 19 years of inspiring performances, Joe Miller, Director of Choral Activities, bids farewell with a monumental performance of Bach's Mass in B Minor. A fitting tribute to his extraordinary career, this masterpiece, with its soaring choruses, virtuosic solos, and intricate counterpoint, is a testament to the enduring power of music and the human voice. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate the legacy of Joe Miller before he takes his final Spoleto bow.

**Charleston Gaillard Center** Martha and John M. Rivers **Performance Hall** 

Saturday, June 7 7:30pm

Approximately 2 hours, 30 minutes Tickets start at \$55





Dr. Miller succeeded his mentor, Dr. Joseph Flummerfelt, as Director of Choral Activities in 2014

## **The Chorus Concerts**

Elevate your spirit with the Spoleto Festival USA Chorus, comprised of hand-selected choristers from across the country. This extraordinary ensemble fills the stunning space of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church with the power and beauty of choral music. Experience a diverse program of inspiring works, including mainstay works of the classical repertoire from Director of Choral Activities Joe Miller.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church

Thursday, May 29

7:00pm

Friday, May 30

5:00pm

**Approximately 1 hour** 

Tickets start at \$45

#### **Conversations With**

Thursday, June 5

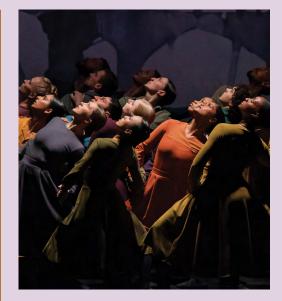
Host and CBS News correspondent Martha Teichner interviews Joe Miller at the CofC Simons Center Recital Hall.

# Hear the power



# **Limón Dance Company**

featuring Spoleto Festival USA Chorus



Considered one of the world's iconic dance companies, the Limón Dance Company makes its Spoleto return in collaboration with the Festival Chorus. The company has been at the vanguard of American modern dance since its inception in 1946 and offers a diverse repertoire from classical masterpieces to cutting-edge contemporary works.

This mesmerizing evening of dance and music includes a breathtaking performance of Missa Brevis, a Limón masterpiece. Set to Zoltán Kodály's rich and resilient choral classic, composed during the darkest days of World War II, this piece stands as a testimony of enduring humanity, pushing the spirit to resurrect and sustain.



**Festival Hall** 

Saturday, May 31 2:00pm and 7:00pm

Sunday, June 1 2:00pm

**Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes** Tickets starting at \$45

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of choral music

# I Didn't Come to Stay

Music From The Sole

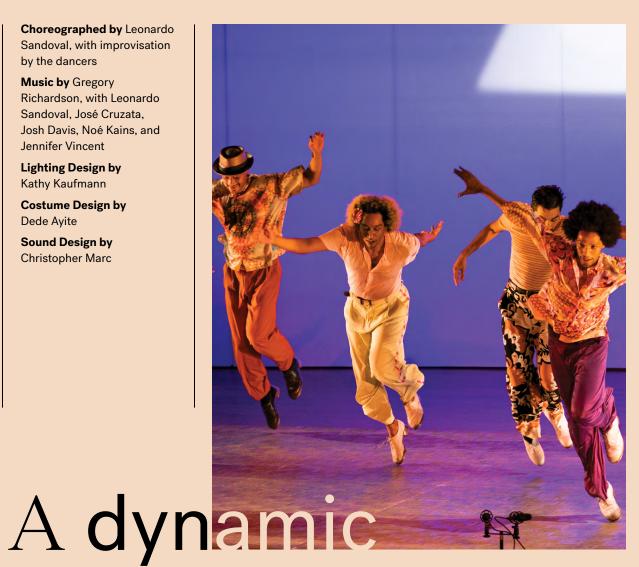
Choreographed by Leonardo Sandoval, with improvisation by the dancers

Music by Gregory Richardson, with Leonardo Sandoval, José Cruzata, Josh Davis, Noé Kains, and Jennifer Vincent

**Lighting Design by** Kathy Kaufmann

Costume Design by Dede Ayite

Sound Design by **Christopher Marc** 



Led by the visionary duo of Brazilian dancer/ choreographer Leonardo Sandoval and bassist/ composer Gregory Richardson, dance company Music From The Sole delivers a thrilling performance that redefines tap dance. This high-energy show incorporates live music, samba, house, and percussive dance.

A dynamic ensemble of eight dancers and a five-piece band delves into the cultural roots of tap dance, tracing its lineage to other Afro-Diasporic forms. Through a vibrant, Carnival-inspired performance, they celebrate the beauty, complexity, and virtuosity of Black dance and music.

**College of Charleston Emmett Robinson Theatre** 

Friday, May 23 7:30pm

Saturday, May 24 2:00pm and 7:00pm

Sunday, May 25 2:00pm and 7:00pm

Monday, May 26 2:00pm

Approximately 1 hour Tickets start at \$45

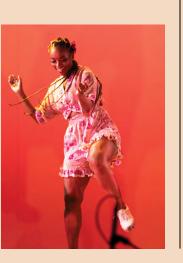
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#### A jolt of good energy

THE NEW YORK TIMES



ensemble of eight tap dancers & a five-piece band

### Thaïs

**Jules Massenet** 

#### WORLD PREMIERE PRODUCTION

Jules Massenet's lush score is the centerpiece of this immersive opera experience placing the Spoleto Festival USA Orchestra and Chorus on stage alongside the cast.

Conducted by Spoleto Festival USA Orchestra Music Director Timothy Myers, the romantic French music, crowned with the famous Méditation for violin and orchestra, is unmitigated by pit walls, resulting in this profound new concert-staged production.

Soprano Nicole Heaston, from Spoleto's 2023 *Vanessa*, portrays the enigmatic Thaïs. Alongside her, baritone Troy Cook embodies the conflicted Athanaël. Together, they will guide you through a captivating tale of love, lust, and spiritual awakening.

**Music by** Jules Massenet

Libretto by Louis Gallet

**Directed by** Crystal Manich

**Conducted by Timothy Myers** 

Co-produced by Spoleto Festival USA and Austin Opera



FEATURING

Nicole Heaston, soprano
Troy Cook, baritone
Spoleto Festival USA Orchestra and Chorus

Charleston Gaillard Center Martha and John M. Rivers Performance Hall

Friday, May 23 7:00pm

Sunday, May 25 7:00pm

Approximately 2 hours, 30 minutes, including an intermission
Tickets start at \$45

Sung in French with English supertitles.

Opera programming is endowed by the Arthur and Holly Magill Foundation

## **Kronos Quartet**

Renowned innovators who have redefined the string quartet for five decades, the Kronos Quartet's groundbreaking work addresses pressing global issues like climate change, social justice, and the human condition with unbounded musical ambition. A highlight of the evening is the world premiere of a new piece by Charlton Singleton, featuring the virtuosic percussion of Quentin E. Baxter, his acclaimed collaborator from Ranky Tanky

David Harrington, violin

Gabriela Díaz, violin

Ayane Kozasa, viola

Paul Wiancko, cello

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The Kronos Quartet has broken the boundaries of what string quartets do.

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**Charleston Music Hall** 

Monday, June 2 8:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 30 minutes, including intermission
Tickets start at \$50

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## **Ten Thousand Hours**

**Gravity & Other Myths** 

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#### **U.S. Premiere**

A Spoleto Festival USA favorite, Gravity & Other Myths is back with their fourth aweinspiring performance. This internationally acclaimed circus troupe is renowned for their gravity-defying feats, breathtaking acrobatics, and captivating storytelling.

In this U.S. premiere, eight elite acrobats celebrate the dedication and discipline required to achieve greatness. This enthralling performance will leave you breathless, a witness to what happens as humanity pushes the boundaries of its potential.

**Festival Hall** 

Wednesday, June 4

8:00pm

Thursday, June 5

6:00pm

Friday, June 6

Saturday, June 7 2:00pm and 8:00pm

Sunday, June 8 2:00pm

**Approximately 1 hour** Tickets starting at \$40



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# Isaac Mizrahi: I Know Everyone

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he qualifies as a founding father of genre that fuses performance, art, music and stand-up comedy

THE NEW YORK TIMES



Cultural icon Isaac Mizrahi commands the stage with an air of mystery and charming aura in this intimate evening. A name synonymous with high fashion, Mizrahi brings glitz, glam, and runway magic straight to the cabaret, showcasing his talents as a glamorous chanteur extraordinaire. Featuring jazz music, witty commentary, and a healthy dose of irreverence, this sophisticated showstopper will delight audiences with Mizrahi's signature style and charm.

**Charleston Music Hall** 

Thursday, June 5 8:00pm

Saturday, June 7 6:00pm and 9:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes Tickets start at \$59

Witty commentary & a healthy dose of irreverence

Spoleto brings you closer to the music in the Front Row Series, anchored by magical nights at the historic Cistern Yard at the College of Charleston. New in 2025, the series expands to Charleston Music Hall for intimate acts on the rise.



Programming at the College of Charleston Cistern Yard is kindly endowed by Carlos, Lisa, and Blake Evans.

We are thankful to the following earlycommitment sponsors that will each support one Front Row Series concert:







# **Band of** Horses

Be swept away by the raw power and emotional intensity of Band of Horses. Fronted by the soaring vocals of Ben Bridwell, this American rock band has enraptured audiences with anthemic songs and undeniable punk-rock spirit. Blending elements of indie rock, folk, and country, Band of Horses creates a sound that is both familiar and uniquely their own, and right on for a night under the Cistern oaks.

**College of Charleston Cistern Yard** 

Saturday, May 31

Tickets start at \$39

# **Patti Smith**

The electrifying power of Patti Smith, legendary rock icon and punk poet, illuminates the Cistern Yard for one special night. Her groundbreaking fusion of rock and poetry captivated the 1970s, with hits like "Because the Night." Inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2007. Smith continues to inspire with her raw energy and poetic spirit, and now brings her revered vibe to the Festival stage.

**College of Charleston Cistern Yard** 

Tuesday, June 3 9:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 30 minutes Tickets start at \$45





# **Mavis Staples**

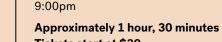
Experience the legendary Mavis Staples live in the historic Cistern Yard. Hailed by NPR as "one of America's defining voices of freedom and peace," Mavis Staples is a once-in-a-generation artist whose impact on music and culture is difficult to overstate.

At 85 years old, she's both a Blues and Rock & Roll Hall of Famer; a three-time GRAMMY Award winner; a National Arts Awards Lifetime Achievement recipient; one of Rolling Stone's Top 200 Singers of All Time; and a Kennedy Center honoree. Her powerful voice and timeless message will leave you deeply moved.

**College of Charleston Cistern Yard** 

Friday, May 30 9:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 30 minutes Tickets start at \$38



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with Jake Xerxes Fussell

After a decade, GRAMMY-nominated artist Valerie June returns to Spoleto for a special performance in the Cistern Yard. Prepare to be enchanted by the soulful voice and mesmerizing charisma of this multi-talented musician, singer, and songwriter hailed by *The New York Times* as one of America's "most intriguing, fully formed new talents."

North Carolina-based singer and guitarist Jake Xerxes Fussell opens the evening with a set that illustrates why *NPR* hails him "the leading interpreter of American folk music right now."

College of Charleston
Cistern Yard

Sunday, May 25 9:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 30 minutes
Tickets start at \$30

# Leading interpreter of





# American folk music.

**NPR** 

# **Patterson Hood**

#### with MJ Lenderman

Witness the spellbinding craft of Patterson Hood, the legendary singer-songwriter and co-founder of Drive-By Truckers. Hailed as the 'Southern Springsteen' by *Garden & Gun*, Hood will perform notable hits and songs from his new album, "Exploding Trees & Airplane Screams," his first solo album in 12 years.

In this Front Row-first double-bill, Hood is joined by MJ Lenderman, a breaking-through North Carolina-based singer-songwriter whose incisive lyrics and darkly humorous observations cut to the heart of the human condition. Lenderman navigates a sea of cultural debris and wry one-liners to find profound truths about himself and the world around him.

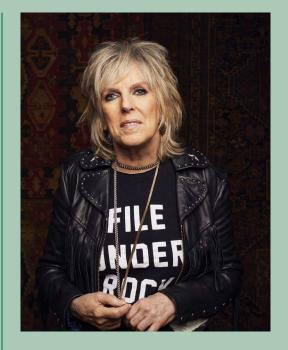
College of Charleston
Cistern Yard

Saturday, May 24 9:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 30 minutes Tickets start at \$30







# **Lucinda Williams**

An acclaimed, award-winning singer-songwriter for more than four decades, Lucinda Williams continues to inspire with her unwavering creativity and a new album of captivating renditions of songs by The Beatles. Now in her 70s, she continues to write, perform, and find new ways to fuel her artistic fire. This show, in the historic Cistern, is a must-see for fans of roots rock, folk, blues, and a good time.

College of Charleston
Cistern Yard

Saturday, June 7 9:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 30 minutes Tickets start at \$45

FRONT ROW SERIES

# Yo La Tengo

Indie rock band Yo La Tengo, known for their melding of elemental guitar and captivating melodies, brings their unique sound and improvisational spirit to the Cistern. Spanish for the outfielder's cry "i've got it!," Yo La Tengo has captivated audiences worldwide for nearly four decades with hits including "Autumn Sweater" and "You Can Have it All."

**College of Charleston Cistern Yard** 

Sunday, June 8 9:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 30 minutes
Tickets start at \$39

# Unique Sound &



improvisational spirit



# **Corinne Bailey Rae**

GRAMMY-winning singer-songwriter Corinne Bailey Rae enthralls audiences worldwide with her stirring voice and infectious pop melodies. Her debut single, "Put Your Records On," became a global phenomenon, selling over three million copies. Now, after a seven-year hiatus, she's back with a genre-spanning album, "Black Rainbows," and a Cistern Yard showcase of her incredible artistry and undeniable talent.

College of Charleston Cistern Yard

Friday, May 23 9:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 30 minutes
Tickets start at \$35

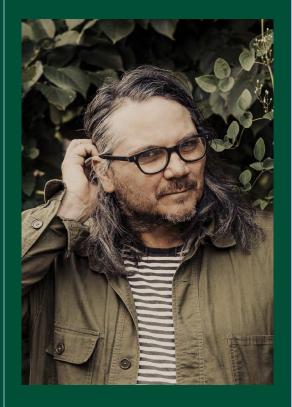
# Jeff Tweedy

Join a true icon of American music, Jeff
Tweedy, co-founder of Uncle Tupelo and leader
of Wilco, for an evening under the wide-open
night sky. This intimate evening with one of
contemporary music's most accomplished
songwriters, musicians, and performers
promises a not-to-be-missed blend of heartfelt
songwriting and magnetic allure.

College of Charleston
Cistern Yard

Friday, June 6 9:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 30 minutes Tickets start at \$45



FRONT ROW SERIES

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# aja monet

Prepare to be transformed by the powerful words of GRAMMY-nominated surrealist blues poet aja monet. Her improvisational spoken word poetry, staged with jazz musicians including renowned pianist Vijay lyer, delves into profound themes of gender, race, migration, and spirituality. This unforgettable evening will leave you questioning, feeling, and inspired.

**Dock Street Theatre** 

Monday, June 2 7:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes
Tickets start at \$40

## **Red Baraat**

The pioneering Brooklyn band Red Baraat has garnered worldwide acclaim for a unique sound fusing high-energy Punjabi rhythms with elements of hip-hop, jazz, and punk. Conceived by dhol player Sunny Jain, the group's first Spoleto performance is more than just entertainment—it's a celebration of joy and unity. Their NPR Tiny Desk Concert is hailed as the #8 top performance of all time by New York magazine, a testament to their infectious energy and ability to captivate audiences.

**Charleston Music Hall** 

Tuesday, May 27 7:30pm

Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes Tickets start at \$29



# Likely to be your favorite artist's



# favorite artist.

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# **Arooj Aftab**

GRAMMY Award-winning Pakistani composer and vocalist Arooj Aftab is a multi-hyphenate creative whose vocal practice seamlessly blends jazz, South Asian classical music, pop, and blues into something that she adoringly labels "global soul." Her latest album, "Night Reign," has been hailed as one of the top under-the-radar albums of 2024 by the *AP*. Experience her craveable voice that has earned her position at the vanguard of creative music.

**Charleston Music Hall** 

Thursday, May 29 8:00pm

Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes Tickets start at \$29

# **Polar Bear and Penguin**



Join Polar Bear and Penguin on a heartwarming adventure. This charming play for young audiences is brought to life by acclaimed performers John Currivan and Paul Curley. Exploring an unlikely friendship between two iconic animals, this is the story of polar opposite characters meeting for the first time, getting to know one another, and learning how to survive in a world that is melting beneath their paws and flippers. With stunning visuals, catchy music, and a powerful message, this is a must-see for the whole family.

Written by John Curivan & Paul Curley

Directed by Ian Cameron



Rose Maree Myers Theatre at Charleston County School of the Arts

Saturday, May 31 12:00pm and 3:00pm

Sunday, June 1 12:00pm and 3:00pm

Suitable for ages 5+

Approximately 50 minutes Tickets start at \$35

# Mrs. Krishnan's Party

**Indian Ink Theater Company** 

You're invited to a party like no other! This captivating family-friendly performance blends theater, music, and culinary delights into a truly unforgettable experience.

Audiences become immersed in the vibrant world of Mrs. Krishnan's convenience store, where garlands decorate the ceiling and music flows. Watch as the actors juggle cooking, music, laughter, and heartfelt drama. And leave with an indelible imprint or your heart.

**Directed by Justin Lewis** 

Co-written by Justin Lewis and Jacob Rajan

**Festival Hall** 

Friday, June 6

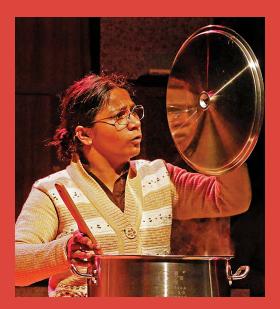
Saturday, June 7 2:00pm and 7:00pm

Sunday, June 8 2:00pm and 6:00pm

Suitable for all ages
Approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes
Tickets start at \$35

Produced and created by Indian Ink
Theatre Company

# cooking, music,



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TELL YOUR STORY

College of Charleston Recital Hall Thursday, May 29 6:00pm

The culmination of a 6-month fellowship, members of the Spoleto Festival USA Orchestra and program Fellows perform original works inspired by members of Charleston organizations We Are Family and Charleston Jewish Federation.

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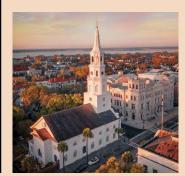
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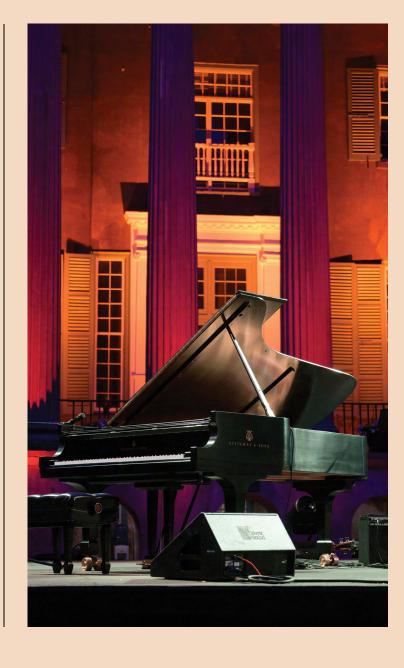
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