

Media Advisory

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KNOXVILLE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA PERFORMS FREE CONCERT IN MARKET SQUARE MAY 10; OPEN TO PUBLIC

Knoxville, TN – April 20, 2018 – The **Knoxville Symphony Orchestra** will perform a FREE, family-friendly concert on Market Square in downtown Knoxville on **Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.** Sponsored by Home Federal Bank, this concert is free and open to the public; no tickets are required. This is an excellent photo and video opportunity. [View Facebook event.](#)

What: The KSO kicks off the City of Knoxville’s Concerts on the Square Series on May 10. ***Symphony on the Square*** is offered free of charge as part of the KSO Education & Community Partnerships initiative and sponsored by **Home Federal Bank**. By performing a free concert, the Knoxville Symphony provides the community exposure to classical music and showcases the talented musicians we have living in Knoxville.

Patrons are encouraged to arrive early and bring blankets and/or chairs to enjoy the popular concert. Concert goers can also bring picnic dinners or pick up food at one of the many downtown restaurants. Convenient parking is free for those arriving after 6 p.m. in the city-owned Market Square, Walnut Street, Locust Street and State Street garages. The event kicks off the City of Knoxville’s Concerts on the Square series, which includes free concerts on Market Square. Jazz Tuesdays run from May 8 through Aug. 28 and Variety Thursdays run from May 10 through June 28. [View schedule.](#)

“One of our goals at the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra is for all East Tennesseans to have access to great symphonic music,” said **Aram Demirjian, Music Director**. “We take joy in presenting free concerts in the community as one way of saying thank you for the support throughout the year. I hope we see people of all ages in the audience, particularly families as this is always a light-hearted enjoyable music.”

Who: **Music Director Aram Demirjian** leads the Knoxville Symphony Chamber Orchestra in a concert of light pops, including timeless music of the stage and screen including “Waltz” from Tchaikovsky’s

Sleeping Beauty, a tribute to Broadway composers Lerner and Loewe, and music from the films *Chicago* and the more recent *La La Land*.

When: Thursday, May 10 at 7:30 PM

Where: Bill Lyons Pavilion on Market Square; In case of inclement weather and/or cold temperatures, this concert will be held at the Bijou Theatre, located at 803 S. Gay St.

Tickets: FREE TO ATTEND; No ticket or reservation is required. This concert is free and open to the public.

About: Established in 1935, and now under the leadership of **Music Director Aram Demirjian**, the KSO has contributed to the cultural life in East Tennessee continuously for 80 years, providing excellence in musical and educational programs. The Orchestra consists of 80 professional musicians and performs more than 300 programs throughout the region each season, reaching audiences of more than 200,000 people. The KSO performs in traditional venues such as the Tennessee Theatre, Bijou Theatre and the Civic Auditorium as well as non-traditional places like hospitals, schools, city parks and churches. For more information regarding the KSO, please visit www.knoxvillesymphony.com or call 865-291-3310.

Social Media: @knoxsymphony **presents FREE concert at on Market Square:** Kick off spring with the Knoxville Symphony – Thurs, May 10 @ 7:30PM. For info call 291-3310. [Follow @knoxsymphony on Twitter](#) and [Like KSO on Facebook](#).
