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Knoxville Symphony Orchestra opens 2022-23 Moxley Carmichael Masterworks Series with Tchaikovsky and Grieg

The Knoxville Symphony Orchestra presents Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4 at the Tennessee Theatre on Thursday, Sept. 15, and Friday, Sept. 16, at 7:30 p.m. KSO Music Director Aram Demirjian will lead the orchestra in its 2022-23 Moxley Carmichael Masterworks Series opening concert. The concert is sponsored by <u>Twin City Dealerships</u>. <u>View ticket and general information here</u>.

"We are thrilled to be back on the Tennessee Theatre stage for this sonic feast of a season that features music for everyone," said Demirjian. "Our Moxley Carmichael Masterworks Series gets off to an energetic start with Tchaikovsky's fateful, dramatic Fourth Symphony."

The evening starts with an energetic entrance by Anne Clyne's "Masquerade," a piece inspired by mideighteenth-century promenade concerts. Edvard Grieg's Piano Concerto follows, performed by guest pianist Charlie Albright who has been described by the *Washington Post* as "among the most gifted musicians of his generation." The evening culminates with Tchaikovsky's Fourth Symphony.

Patrons attending are encouraged to hang around the concert hall after the performance for a 20minute post-concert Q&A session with Demirjian and Albright. Post-concert Q&A sessions are new to the KSO concertgoing experience and will take place after every Moxley Carmichael Masterworks performance during the 22-23 season.

"Everyone hears music in their own unique way, and I cannot wait to hear your reaction to the concert in the fresh, immediate afterglow," Demirjian said about the post-concert Q&A.

Tickets may be purchased by calling 865-291-3310 or visiting the <u>KSO website</u>. Single tickets range from \$17-\$96. Groups of 10 or more can purchase tickets at a discounted rate by calling 865-521-2300.

The 2022-23 lineup for the Moxley Carmichael Masterworks Series also includes:

- Michelle Cann Plays Rachmaninoff Thursday, Oct. 13, & Friday, Oct. 14, at 7:30 p.m., Tennessee Theatre
- Spirit & Service: A Salute to Veterans Thursday, Nov. 10, & Friday, Nov. 11, at 7:30 p.m., Tennessee Theatre

- Dvorak Cello Concerto Thursday, Jan. 19, & Friday, Jan. 20, at 7:30 p.m., Tennessee Theatre
- Brahms Violin concerto Thursday, Feb. 23, & Friday, Feb. 24, at 7:30 p.m., Tennessee Theatre
- Appalachian Journeys Thursday, Mar. 23, & Friday, Mar. 24, at 7:30 p.m., Tennessee Theatre
- Mozart Requiem Thursday, Apr. 20, & Friday, Apr. 21, at 7:30 p.m., Tennessee Theatre
- Beethoven and The Rite of Spring Thursday, May 18, & Friday, May 19, at 7:30 p.m., Tennessee Theatre

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About the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra

Led by Music Director Aram Demirjian, the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra consists of 80 professional musicians and performs 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 Civic Auditorium, as well as non-traditional places like hospitals, schools, city parks, and churches. For more information regarding the KSO, please visit <u>www.knoxvillesymphony.com</u> or call 865-291-3310.

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@knoxsymphony returns to the Tennessee Theatre on Sept. 15 and 16 with Tchaikovsky's illustrious Fourth Symphony. Tickets are on sale now at knoxvillesymphony.com or 865-291-3310.