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OCTOBER 2009**Performance Highlight**

October 6 – 18, 2009 · Tuesday – Friday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 1 and 6:30 p.m.

Orange County Performing Arts Center presents Broadway

Monty Python's Spamalot

Winner of the 2005 Tony® Award for Best Musical, *Monty Python's Spamalot* is the outrageous musical comedy lovingly ripped off from the film classic *Monty Python and The Holy Grail*. Directed by Tony Award winner Mike Nichols, with a book by Eric Idle and music and lyrics by the Grammy® Award-winning team of Idle and John Du Prez, *Spamalot* tells the tale of King Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table as they embark on their quest for the Holy Grail. This touring show stars John O'Hurley, host of *Family Feud* and remembered as J. Peterman from *Seinfeld*, and who portrayed the role of King Arthur in the Las Vegas production of *Spamalot*. Flying cows, killer rabbits, taunting Frenchmen and show-stopping musical numbers are just a few of the reasons audiences everywhere are eating up *Spamalot*.

\$28.75 - \$88.75

Seegerstrom Hall

Calendar of Events

October 1, 2009 · Thursday at 8 p.m.

Orange County Performing Arts Center presents Jazz

Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis

Comprised of 15 of today's finest jazz soloists and ensemble players, the band has been the Jazz at Lincoln Center resident orchestra for more than 18 years. The orchestra performs a vast repertoire, from rare historic compositions to Jazz at Lincoln Center-commissioned works. The orchestra has performed in over 300 cities on six continents, sharing an amazing treasure of musical sophistication and tradition with thousands of passionate jazz fans.

\$25 - \$90

Renée and Henry Seegerstrom Concert Hall

October 4, 2009 · Sunday at 7 p.m.

Philharmonic Society of Orange County presents

Opening Night: Orpheus Chamber Orchestra

Founded in 1972, America's most recorded chamber orchestra – Orpheus Chamber Orchestra – joins forces with famed Dutch violinist Janine Jansen for a sensational opening night with the Philharmonic Society. Program includes: Stravinsky – Concerto in E-flat, Bach/Webern – Musikalisches Opfer, BWV 1079, Aaron Jay Kernis – New Brandenburg #6 and Beethoven – Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 61.

\$30 - \$250

Renée and Henry Seegerstrom Concert Hall

October 8 – 10, 2009 · Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m.

Pacific Symphony presents Pops

Patti LuPone

A fireball of talent and a musical force to be reckoned with, Patti LuPone is one of the greatest performers in modern musical theater. Since establishing herself with a Tony Award-winning performance as Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Evita*, she has wowed audiences in *Les Miserables*, *Sunset Boulevard*, *Sweeney Todd* and *Gypsy* (for which she won another Tony Award in 2008).

Tickets start at \$25

Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall

October 8 – 11, 2009 · Thursday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 7 p.m.

Orange County Performing Arts Center presents Cabaret

Christine Ebersole

Christine Ebersole is one of those true and undisputed stars of stage, screen and television, and add to that, cabaret. Her vast repertoire encompasses ballads, jazz, pop, torch, opera, swing and country. In addition to her rave reviews, she has won Tony, Outer Circle Critics, Obie, Drama Desk and New York Drama Critics awards.

\$72

Samueli Theater

October 15 – 17, 2009 · Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m.

Pacific Symphony presents Classics

Alpine Symphony

A feast for the ears and eyes: a full-day excursion up and down the Bavarian Alps, brought to life by Richard Strauss' lush, splendid musical descriptions and German photo-choreographer Tobias Melle's stunning footage projected above the stage. Before that, Mozart's Concerto for Two Pianos, a masterpiece originally written for the composer and his sister, is interpreted by two brilliant young German pianists.

Tickets start at \$25

Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall

October 15 – 17, 2009 · Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m.

Philharmonic Society of Orange County presents

Quanzhou Marionette Theatre

Experience this ancient art first-hand as music, song and puppetry unite with talented puppeteers and musicians performing selections from Chinese folk tales. Popular in the Quanzhou area in the late Tang and Wu Dai Dynasties, marionette theater in China was considered to be a performing art of immense appeal.

\$35 - \$50

Samueli Theater

October 17, 2009 · Saturday at 10 and 11:30 a.m.

Pacific Symphony presents Family Musical Mornings

Halloween Spooktacular

Trick or treat! Prepare for a concert of spooky thrills and musical chills at this spooktacular treat of a concert! Make sure to wear your costume for our annual Halloween celebration, which will be conducted this year by Maxim Eshkenazy.

Tickets start at \$19

Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall

October 20 - 25, 2009 · Tuesday – Friday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 1 and 6:30 p.m.

Orange County Performing Arts Center presents Special Event

Rent

Adam Pascal and Anthony Rapp, stars of the original Broadway production and film adaptation of *Rent*, reprise the roles they made famous in this exciting new tour. Don't miss the show that transformed how a generation feels about musicals, changed Broadway forever and inspired a major motion picture.

Whether it's your first time or your 100th time, it's time you checked out *Rent*!

\$20 - \$65

Seegerstrom Hall

October 22 – 24, 2009 · Thursday at 11 a.m., Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

Philharmonic Society of Orange County presents

The Haydn Legacy

Returning to Orange County after their 2006 debut, the Salzburg Mozarteum Orchestra and the Philharmonic Society commemorate the 200th anniversary of Haydn's death with a residency entitled The Haydn Legacy, featuring the music of Schubert, Haydn, Beethoven, Mozart and Kurt Schwertsik.

\$30 - \$250

Renée and Henry Seegerstrom Concert Hall

October 23 - 25, 2009 · Friday at 7 p.m., Saturday at 1 p.m. and Sunday at 1 and 3 p.m.

Orange County Performing Arts Center presents Family

Strega Nona

Enjoy this energetic musical tale of a friendly magical witch with a funny name who strives to cure the ills of her tiny Italian town of Calabria. Based on the children's book by Tomie dePaola, *Strega Nona* is a fantastical tale with a tuneful score that teaches how witches can actually be good, and that you can't judge a pot by its pasta!

\$18

Samueli Theater

October 27, 2009 · Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Philharmonic Society of Orange County presents

Musical Journeys through China

Grammy award nominee and renowned pipa player Wu Man returns to Orange County as curator and host of this special event. Featuring an ensemble of talented artists, topics include an introduction to Chinese instrumental folk music traditions and presentation of ancient Chinese instruments such as the qin and pipa.

\$35 - \$50

Samueli Theater

October 29, 2009 · Thursday at 8 p.m.

Philharmonic Society of Orange County presents

Colburn Conservatory Orchestra

Carnegie Hall's China Festival continues with the dynamic pairing of the Coburn Conservatory Orchestra with Chinese violinist Cho-Liang Lin. You'll not want to miss Tan Dun's Violin Concerto No. 1 and Shostakovich's Symphony No. 5.

\$30 - \$250

Samueli Theater

October 30, 2009 · Friday at 8 p.m.

Orange County Performing Arts Center presents Concert

Emerson String Quartet

Acclaimed for its insightful performances, dynamic artistry and technical mastery, the multi-Grammy-winning Emerson String Quartet has been a favorite of Center audiences since its first visit in 1991. For this one-night-only event, Emerson will perform: Charles Ives: String Quartet No. 1, Leoš Janáček: String Quartet No. 1 "The Kreutzer Sonata" and Antonin Dvořák: String Quartet No. 11 in C Major, Op. 61.

\$60

Samueli Theater

Orange County Performing Arts Center

The Orange County Performing Arts Center presents a wide variety of the most significant national and international productions of music, dance and theater to the people of Southern California. It is committed to supporting artistic excellence on all of its stages and offering unsurpassed experiences, engaging the entire community in new and exciting ways through the unique power of live performance and an array of inspiring programs.

As Orange County's largest non-profit arts organization, the Center owns and operates the 3,000-seat Segerstrom Hall and intimate 250-seat Founders Hall, which opened in 1986, and the 2,000-seat Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall, which opened in 2006 and also houses the 500-seat Samueli Theater, and the Lawrence and Kristina Dodge Education Center's studio performance space and Boeing Education Lab. These state-of-the-art facilities are united by a community arts plaza.

The Center's Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall and community plaza, along with facilities of the adjacent Tony® Award-winning South Coast Repertory and a site designated as the new home of the Orange County Museum of Art, are located at Segerstrom Center for the Arts.

The Orange County Performing Arts Center presents a broad range of programming each season for audiences of all ages from throughout Orange County, and beyond, including international ballet and dance, national tours of top Broadway shows, intimate performances of jazz and cabaret, contemporary artists, up and coming indie bands, classical music performed by renowned chamber orchestras and ensembles, family-friendly programming, free performances open to the public from outdoor movie screenings to dancing on the plaza and many other special events.

It offers many education programs designed to inspire young people through the arts. These programs reach more than 500,000 students of all ages with vital arts-in-education programs, enhancing their studies and enriching their lives well into the future.

The Orange County Performing Arts Center is proud to serve as the artistic home to the region's major performing arts organizations: Pacific Symphony, the Philharmonic Society of Orange County and the Pacific Chorale. For more information, visit OCPAC.org.

Free Public Tours

The Center offers tours of Southern California's award-winning home for the performing arts and its expanded facilities. The tours take visitors through the three venues, making this a perfect outing for groups or anyone who wants to know more about the performing arts. The tour is conducted by Center Docents. Public tours are conducted Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. Private group tours are by reservation only.

Please note: Private and public tours of all Center halls are now available.

Please call 714.556.2122, ext. 4259 for more information on either the private or the public tours.

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