

Arts of Southern Kentucky Announces Orchestra Kentucky's 25th Season.

2024-25 lineup includes music from Earth, Wind & Fire, Journey, The Carpenters, The Rolling Stones, and Burt Bacharach, the return of Guitar Heroes featuring The Rewinders and Retro Singers, and the acrobats and aerialists of Cirque de la Symphonie.

Season ticket packages are on sale now.

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BOWLING GREEN, KY – Today, Arts of Southern Kentucky announced details of Orchestra Kentucky's 2024-25 season, its 25th. Highlights include music made famous by Earth, Wind & Fire, Journey, The Carpenters, The Rolling Stones, and Burt Bacharach, the return of Orchestra Kentucky's self-produced concert event, *Guitar Heroes* featuring The Rewinders and Retro Singers, and the acrobats and aerialists of *Cirque de la Symphonie*. The season also features the annual holiday celebration *J.C. Kirby & Son Christmas Spectacular*, a concert of magic-inspired music including a Harry Potter film franchise suite, and an evening of Broadway showstoppers.

Several season ticket packages – including an option to receive four free concerts – are on sale now. Details are available online at www.theskypac.com, and ticket packages may be purchased by calling (270) 904-1880 or in person at 601 College Street in downtown Bowling Green open 9 am to 5 pm weekdays.

The new season begins Saturday, August 10th of 2024 with *Serpentine Fire: The Music of Earth, Wind & Fire*. With the soaring vocals of Tyriq Johnson and compelling orchestral arrangements, this is the ultimate celebration of Earth, Wind & Fire's popular songbook.

"25 years sure have gone by fast," said Orchestra Kentucky Founding Music Director and Arts of Southern Kentucky President & CEO Jeffrey Reed. "When I started Orchestra Kentucky as a chamber ensemble with a few close friends, I could not imagine what it would become, and how this generous community would embrace and nurture it. I am grateful beyond words, and hope that our 25th season lives up to the artistic vision we established long ago - to provide something for everyone."

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ORCHESTRA KENTUCKY'S 2024-25 SEASON

The **Variety Series** is sponsored by Graves Gilbert Clinic and the **Retro Series** is sponsored by Jim & Darlene Johnson and Jim Johnson Nissan/Hyundai.

8/10/24 **SERPENTINE FIRE: THE MUSIC OF EARTH, WIND & FIRE**

Sponsor: Pinnacle Financial Partners / Co-sponsors: Drs. William & Sandra Ardrey, Drs. Harold & Cassandra Little, and Mr. Rick & Dr. Sandra Starks

8/24/24 **BURT BACHARACH: WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS NOW**

9/14/24 **TOP OF THE WORLD: A CARPENTERS' TRIBUTE**

10/19/24 **MAGICAL MUSIC: HARRY POTTER AND MORE**

Sponsor: Dr. Pat Mercer | Co-sponsors: Houchens/ Auto-Owners Insurance | Dr. Sharon Mutter & Hank Wohltjen

11/2/24 **DON'T STOP BELIEVIN': MUSIC OF JOURNEY** (special event, free to full-season subscribers)

Sponsor: Houchens Industries | Co-sponsor: Gerald Printing of Bowling Green

12/14/24 **J.C. KIRBY & SON CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR**

Title Sponsor: J.C. Kirby & Son Funeral Chapels and Crematory

Co-sponsors: Joe & Sharon Davis, The Glenview Trust Company, Houchens Industries

2/15/25 **MOTOWN & MORE featuring The Rewinders**

Sponsor: Franklin Bank & Trust Company | Co-sponsors: English Lucas Priest & Owsley, LLP, Westen Dental Group |

In-Kind: BGMU Fiber

3/15/25 **BROADWAY ROCKS: Showstoppers from *Wicked*, *Hairspray*, *Mamma Mia*, and more**

Co-sponsors: Bell, Orr, Ayers & Moore, PSC

4/26/24 **MUSIC OF THE ROLLING STONES with Windborne Music**

Sponsor: Houchens Industries

5/17/25 **CIRQUE DE LA SYMPHONIE**

Sponsor: German American Bank

6/7/25

GITAR HEROES featuring The Rewinders

Co-sponsor: Mary Jane & Carlos Rotellar

ABOUT ARTS OF SOUTHERN KENTUCKY - In 2020, with the assistance of the Warren County Fiscal Court and Judge Michael O. Buchanon, Orchestra Kentucky assumed management of the Southern Kentucky Performing Arts Center (SKyPAC). The new organization, which also includes BG Onstage and the Ramsey Theatre Company, is titled Arts of Southern Kentucky and is led administratively and artistically by Jeffrey Reed.

The Southern Kentucky Performing Arts Center is a premier performing arts venue located in downtown Bowling Green, KY. The facility includes the Rita and Jim Scott Concert Hall, a 1,700-seat state-of-the-art auditorium; the Goodwin Gallery, the primary art exhibition space; the Renshaw Education Center which houses the Carol Wedge Studio Theater - a flexible 2,600 sq. ft. space for intimate productions and gatherings; several multi-functional rehearsal halls/classrooms; and the Denny and Carol Wedge Children's Art Gallery.

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