

SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

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SPSO LIVESTREAM!--Join for an innovative way to experience music-making for the Saturday, February 6, 7:30 p.m. (EST) on YouTube. The SPSO LIVEstream! concerts can be viewed at no charge on a smartphone, tablet, laptop and desktop computers, smart televisions, and televisions connected to the internet – or anywhere you have access to YouTube. Most televisions offer YouTube as an app or can be attached to another computing device to watch on the big screen.

Handel, Haydn, and Cellist Ovidiu Marinescu, the SPSO LIVEstream! broadcast on February 6 features music from the Grammy-nominated Philadelphia composer and SPSO LIVEstream! host Kile Smith's award-winning Vespers, newly arranged for and commissioned by the SPSO. The concert includes several overtures by George Frideric Handel – proclaimed the greatest composer by Haydn, Mozart, and Beethoven! The performance culminates with world-renowned Romanian Cellist Ovidiu Marinescu and the endless charm of Haydn's graceful Cello Concerto. The concert also includes overtures from four different operas and an oratorio by Handel, including Messiah, Xerxes, Julius Caesar, and the Arrival of the Queen of Sheba from Solomon. Mozart, Beethoven, and Haydn all proclaimed George Frederick Handel the greatest and most important composer who ever lived. By 1741, at the age of 56, Handel was a true entertainment icon, and his celebrity status was so great that in his own lifetime there was a statue erected in his honor in London in 1738!

More than 4,000 people have viewed the recent broadcasts of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Symphony Orchestra's SPSO Livestream! on YouTube. SPSO is one of only a few orchestras in the region keeping the music alive and available for audiences throughout the country. The 2020-2021 Season of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Symphony Orchestra has been reimaged! These one-hour concerts are streamed right into your home – LIVE – on YouTube at no charge.

The Southeastern Pennsylvania Symphony Orchestra is the regional professional orchestra for Montgomery and Bucks Counties and surrounding regions and features several performances throughout the year of the great masterworks of symphonic music with world-renowned guest artists, was founded in 1972 as the North Penn Symphony Orchestra.

Following safety guidelines from public health officials, concerts will be performed without an audience in the concert hall. Musicians will be appropriately socially distant and all safety measures in place in accordance with recent studies on orchestral performances for musicians.