

**WHARTON CENTER ANNOUNCES**

**THE RETURN OF THE *HARRY POTTER* FILM CONCERT SERIES WITH**

***HARRY POTTER AND THE CHAMBER OF SECRETS™* IN CONCERT**

*Audiences will experience the second chapter of the Harry Potter Film Concert Series with The Lansing Symphony Orchestra performing John Williams’ music from the film live to picture*

*Tickets available starting Friday, July 19, 10AM at whartoncenter.com*

**EAST LANSING, MI** – **The *Harry Potter* Film Concert Series** returns to Wharton Center with ***Harry* *Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* in Concert**, the second film in the Harry Potter series. On Saturday, November 16,Ron Spigelmanwill conduct the Lansing Symphony Orchestra in performing John Williams’ unforgettable score live from *Harry* *Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* while the entire film plays in high-definition on a 40-foot screen.



Warner Bros. Discovery Global Themed Entertainment and CineConcerts created the *Harry Potter* Film Concert Series, the only official global concert tour celebrating the *Harry Potter* films. Since the world premiere of *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone* in Concert in 2016, more than 3 million fans have enjoyed this magical experience from The Wizarding World, which is scheduled to include over 2,973 performances across more than 48 countries worldwide through 2025.

In *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*, cars fly, trees fight back, and a mysterious house-elf comes to warn Harry Potter at the start of his second year at Hogwarts. Adventure and danger await when bloody writing on a wall announces: *The Chamber of Secrets has been opened.* To save Hogwarts will require all of Harry, Ron and Hermione’s magical abilities and courage.

Earning a Grammy nomination for the score, the incredible music composed by John Williams became an instant classic, conjuring beautiful and soaring motifs continuing the adventures of Harry Potter on his magical journey.

Justin Freer, President of CineConcerts and Producer/Conductor of the *Harry Potter* Film Concert Series explains, "The *Harry Potter* film series is a once-in-a-lifetime cultural phenomenon that continues to delight millions of fans around the world. It is with great pleasure that we bring fans for the first time ever an opportunity to experience the award-winning music scores played live by a symphony orchestra, all while the beloved film is simultaneously projected onto the big screen. This is truly an unforgettable event.”

Brady Beaubien of CineConcerts and Concert Producer for the *Harry Potter* Film Concert Series added, “*Harry Potter* is synonymous with excitement around the world, and we hope that by performing this incredible music with the full movie, audiences will enjoy returning to the Wizarding World.”

Tickets go on sale Friday, July 19, at 10AM,viawhartoncenter.com or 1.800.WHARTON for *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* in Concert.

For more information on the official *Harry Potter* Film Concert Series, please visit

[www.harrypotterinconcert.com](http://www.harrypotterinconcert.com).

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**About Wharton Center**

Wharton Center for Performing Arts, located in the heart of MSU's campus, was founded on the belief that art should be shared with, and made accessible to, all. Through diverse programming and inclusive initiatives—like Sensory-Friendly Performances, ASL interpretation, and Audio Description, among other programs—Wharton Center strives to inspire and connect with the creative spirit in each of us. Wharton Center serves the community by bringing the best in touring Broadway shows, innovative dance companies, top classical musicians, and jazz artists to Mid-Michigan, as well as hosting performances by MSU’s Department of Theatre, College of Music, and the Lansing Symphony Orchestra. Through performing arts and arts education, Wharton Center is committed to fostering confidence, creativity, and empathy.

**About Lansing Symphony Orchestra**

Formed in 1929, Lansing Symphony Orchestra (LSO) is widely recognized as one of mid-Michigan’s cultural gems. Now in its 95th season, the LSO continues to strive to reach audiences on a personal level, letting the power of live music do the talking.

Besides presenting the finest in orchestral performances, the LSO is committed to taking an active role in the development of music education programming for our community. Throughout the season, there are several programs for youth in the area; this includes the Young People’s Concert featuring Carnegie Hall’s Link Up Program, Family Series master classes with guest artists, Side-by-Side Student Orchestra, and more.

**About CineConcerts**

CineConcerts is one of the leading producers of live and digital music experiences performed with visual media, and continues to redefine entertainment. Founded by Producer/Conductor Justin Freer and Producer/Writer Brady Beaubien, CineConcerts will engage over 4.8 million people worldwide in concert presentations in over 3,000 performances in 48 countries through 2025, and recently launched CineConcerts +PLUS - a global digital network and app suite with hundreds of exclusive podcast episodes and produced content. CineConcerts continues to work with some of the most prestigious orchestras and venues in the world including the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Cleveland Orchestra, London Philharmonic, Los Angeles Philharmonic, New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, Philharmonia Orchestra, and more. Recent and current live and digital concert experiences include *Elf in Concert,* *The Pinball Concert (Digital), The Polar Express in Concert, Rudy in Concert, The Passion of the Christ in Concert, The Da Vinci Code in Concert, The Harry Potter Film Concert Series, Gladiator Live*, *The Godfather Live*, *It’s a Wonderful Life in Concert, DreamWorks Animation In Concert,* *Star Trek: The Ultimate Voyage 50th Anniversary Concert Tour*, *Breakfast at Tiffany’s in Concert,* and *A Christmas Dream Live*.

**About Warner Bros. Discovery Global Themed Entertainment (WBDGTE)**

Warner Bros. Discovery Global Themed Entertainment (WBDGTE), part of Warner Bros. Discovery Global Brands, Franchises, and Experiences, is a worldwide leader in the creation, development, and licensing of location-based entertainment, live events, exhibits, and theme park experiences based on the biggest franchises, stories and characters from Warner Bros.’ film, television, animation, and games studios, HBO, Discovery, DC, Cartoon Network and more. WBDGTE is home to the groundbreaking locations of The Wizarding World of Harry Potter at Universal theme parks around the world, Warner Bros. World Abu Dhabi, The WB Abu Dhabi, The FRIENDS Experience, The Game of Thrones Studio Tour and countless other experiences inspired by the Wizarding World, DC, Looney Tunes, Scooby-Doo, Game of Thrones, FRIENDS and more. With best-in-class partners, WBDGTE allows fans around the world to physically immerse themselves inside their favorite brands and franchises.

**About Wizarding World**

In the years since Harry Potter was whisked from King’s Cross Station onto Platform nine and three quarters, his incredible adventures have left a unique and lasting mark on popular culture. Eight blockbuster Harry Potter films based on the original stories by J.K. Rowling have brought the magical stories to life and today, the Wizarding World is recognized as one of the world’s best-loved brands.

Representing a vast interconnected universe, it also includes three epic Fantastic Beasts films, Harry Potter and the Cursed Child – the multi-award-winning stage-play, state-of-the-art video and mobile games from Portkey Games, innovative consumer products, thrilling live entertainment (including four theme park lands), insightful exhibitions, as well as a forthcoming Harry Potter TV series.

This expanding portfolio of Warner Bros. Discovery owned Wizarding World tours and retail also includes the flagship Harry Potter New York, Warner Bros. Studio Tour London – The Making of Harry Potter, Warner Bros. Studio Tour Tokyo, and the Platform 9 3⁄4 retail shops.

The Wizarding World continues to evolve to provide Harry Potter fans with fresh and exciting ways to engage. For the worldwide fan community, and for generations to come, it welcomes everyone in to explore and discover the magic for themselves.

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