

### PUBLIC SALES FOR UMS'S 138<sup>TH</sup> SEASON BEGIN MONDAY, AUGUST 15

ANN ARBOR, MI (August 9, 2016) — **Monday, August 15** marks the official beginning of ticket sales for individual performances presented as part the 2016-17 **University Musical Society** (UMS) season. With appearances by internationally renowned orchestras, chamber musicians, dance groups, jazz and global music artists, and theater and dance ensembles, the UMS season spans the complete spectrum of the performing arts. In all, 64 performances by 49 different artists and ensembles will take place in nine venues in Ann Arbor and Detroit, including Hill Auditorium, Rackham Auditorium, the Power Center, Michigan Theater, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, the Ann Arbor Skatepark, Arthur Miller Theatre, and Downtown Boxing Gym.

Just added to the season, a live skateboarding and music celebration, presented in partnership with the Friends of the Ann Arbor Skatepark in collaboration with the City of Ann Arbor Parks & Recreation, will take place on Sunday, September 11 at the Ann Arbor Skatepark. The event, called Falling Up and Getting Down, features nationally- and internationally-celebrated professional skateboarders as they improvise to an inspired blend of jazz, R&B, and hip-hop, performed live by the Kennedy Center's artistic director of jazz Jason Moran and his band, The Bandwagon. Featured skateboarders include Andy Macdonald, Ron Allen, Chuck Treece, Tom Remillard, Jordyn Barratt, and Natalie Krishna Das. The afternoon-long exhibition begins at 2:30 pm and will also include DJ sets by Tadd Mullinix and Alvin Hill. Admission is free, but advanced registration is requested at ums.org/skatepark. Those who register in advance will be eligible to win special prize packages reflective of the afternoon's activities.

UMS will also continue its partnership with the Michigan Theater to bring high-definition broadcasts of four productions by the **National Theatre of London**, the **Royal Shakespeare Company**, and the **Almeida Theatre of London**. The broadcasts include **Shakespeare's** *Richard III* (starring Ralph Fiennes

and Vanessa Redgrave, Sunday, September 18), **Terence Rattigan's** *The Deep Blue Sea* (Sunday, October 9), **Shakespeare's** *King Lear* (Sunday, December 4), and **Peter Morgan's** *The Audience* (starring Helen Mirren, Sunday, January 22).

Tickets to all events will go on sale to the public on Monday, August 15 at 10 am. Tickets are available for purchase at online at ums.org, in person at the Michigan League Ticket Office (911 North University Avenue) or by calling the UMS Ticket Office at 734-764-2538 (toll-free 800-221-1229). Michigan League Ticket Office hours are 10 am to 5 pm Monday through Friday. Beginning Tuesday, September 6, the League Ticket Office will resume extended hours: Monday through Friday 9 am to 5 pm and Saturday 10 am to 1 pm.

A complete listing of performances in the 2016-17 season follows.

#### **ABOUT UMS**

One of the oldest performing arts presenters in the country, UMS (also known as the University Musical Society) contributes to a vibrant cultural community by connecting audiences with performing artists from around the world in uncommon and engaging experiences. An integral part of the Ann Arbor community, UMS is an independent non-profit organization affiliated with the University of Michigan, presenting over 70 music, theater, and dance performances by professional touring artists each season, along with over 100 free educational activities. UMS is part of the University of Michigan's "Victors for Michigan" campaign, reinforcing its commitment to bold artistic leadership, engaged learning through the arts, and access and inclusiveness. UMS was awarded the 2014 National Medal of Arts by President Obama.

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#### **SEPTEMBER 2016 EVENTS**

#### A Season-Opening Live Skateboarding + Music Celebration Falling Up and Getting Down

Featuring Jason Moran & The Bandwagon and professional skateboarders
Andy Macdonald, Ron Allen, Chuck Treece, Tom Remillard Jordyn Barratt, and Natalie Krishna Das with DJ sets by Tadd Mullinix and Alvin Hill Sunday, September 11 // Exhibition begins at 2:30 pm Ann Arbor Skatepark (350 N. Maple Rd.)

## HD Theater Broadcast (Almeida Theater, London) Shakespeare's Richard III

Starring Ralph Fiennes and Vanessa Redgrave Rupert Goold, director Sunday, September 18 // 7 pm Michigan Theater

#### The TEAM's RoosevElvis

Rachel Chavkin, artistic director Thursday, September 29 // 7:30 pm Friday, September 30 // 8 pm Saturday, October 1 // 2 pm & 8 pm Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre

#### Kamasi Washington & The Next Step

Friday, September 30 // 8 pm [NOTE NEW DATE] Michigan Theater

#### **OCTOBER 2016 EVENTS**

#### **Beethoven String Quartet Cycle Concerts 1 & 2**

#### **Takács Quartet**

Saturday, October 8 // 8 pm Sunday, October 9 // 4 pm Rackham Auditorium

#### PROGRAM (CONCERT 1: OCTOBER 8 // 8 PM)

Quartet No. 2 in G Major, Op. 18, No. 2 Quartet No. 11 in f minor, Op. 95 ("Serioso") Quartet No. 13 in B-flat Major, Op. 130 with original finale

#### PROGRAM (CONCERT 2: OCTOBER 9 // 4 PM)

Quartet No. 1 in F Major, Op. 18, No. 1 Quartet No. 10 in E-flat Major, Op. 74 ("Harp") Quartet No. 14 in c-sharp minor, Op. 131

#### **HD Theater Broadcast (National Theater, London)**

#### The Deep Blue Sea

By Terence Rattigan Starring Helen McCrory Carrie Cracknell, director Sunday, October 9 // 7 pm Michigan Theater

# Layla and Majnun Mark Morris Dance Group The Silk Road Ensemble

Mark Morris, director and choreographer
Howard Hodgkin, set and costume designer
James F. Ingalls, lighting designer
with Alim Qasimov and Fargana Qasimova, mugham vocals
Music by Uzeyir Hajibelyi, arranged by Alim Qasimov, Johnny Gandelsman, and Colin Jacobson
Thursday, October 13 // 7:30 pm
Friday, October 14 // 8 pm
Saturday, October 15 // 8 pm
Power Center

#### Denis Matsuev, piano

Sunday, October 16 // 4 pm Hill Auditorium

#### **PROGRAM**

Beethoven Sonata No. 31 in A-flat Major, Op. 110

Schumann Symphonic Etudes, Op. 13 Liszt Mephisto Waltz, S. 514 Tchaikovsky Meditation, Op. 72, No. 5

Prokofiev Sonata No. 7 in B-flat Major, Op. 83 ("Stalingrad")

#### **Dorrance Dance**

Michelle Dorrance, choreographer
Thursday, October 20 // 7:30 pm [ADDED PERFORMANCE]
Friday, October 21 // 8 pm
Power Center

#### **NOVEMBER 2016 EVENTS**

#### **Berlin Philharmonic**

Simon Rattle, conductor Saturday, November 12 // 8 pm Sunday, November 13 // 4 pm Hill Auditorium

#### PROGRAM (SAT 11/12)

Boulez Éclat

Mahler Symphony No. 7 in e minor

#### **PROGRAM (SUN 11/13)**

Schoenberg Five Pieces for Orchestra, Op. 16
Webern Six Pieces for Orchestra, Op. 6
Berg Three Pieces for Orchestra, Op. 6
Brahms Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 73

### A Venetian Coronation 1595

#### Gabrieli

Music by Andrea and Giovanni Gabrieli
Paul McCreesh, music director and conductor
Tuesday, November 15 // 7:30 pm
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

#### Jake Shimabukuro

Wednesday, November 16 // 7:30 pm Hill Auditorium

## portrait of myself as my father Nora Chipaumire

Thursday, November 17 // 7:30 pm
Friday, November 18 // 8 pm
Saturday, November 19 // 8 pm
Sunday, November 20 // 2 pm
Downtown Boxing Gym (6445 E. Vernor, Detroit)

#### **DECEMBER 2016 EVENTS**

Handel's Messiah
UMS Choral Union
Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra
Scott Hanoian, conductor
Janai Brugger, soprano
Meg Bragle, mezzo-soprano
Michele Angelini, tenor
Shenyang, bass-baritone
Joseph Gascho, harpsichord
Saturday, December 3 // 8 pm
Sunday, December 4 // 2 pm

HD Theater Broadcast (Royal Shakespeare Company, London) Shakespeare's King Lear

Starring Antony Sher Gregory Doran, director Sunday, December 4 // 7 pm Michigan Theater

Christmas Songbook

Hill Auditorium

The King's Singers

Saturday, December 10 // 8 pm Hill Auditorium

#### **JANUARY 2017 EVENTS**

#### Last Work

#### **Batsheva Dance Company**

Ohad Naharin, artistic director Saturday, January 7 // 8 pm Sunday, January 8 // 2 pm Power Center

## Idiot-Syncrasy Igor and Moreno

**Igor Urzelai** and **Moreno Solinas**, creators Thursday, January 12 // 7:30 pm Friday, January 13 // 8 pm Saturday, January 14 // 8 pm Arthur Miller Theatre

#### **Prague Philharmonia**

Emmanuel Villaume, conductor Sarah Chang, violin Thursday, January 19 // 7:30 pm Hill Auditorium

#### **PROGRAM**

Smetana "Die Moldau" from *Má vlast*Dvořák Violin Concerto in a minor, Op. 53
Dvořák Symphony No. 8 in G Major, Op. 88

## On Behalf of Nature Meredith Monk & Vocal Ensemble

Friday, January 20 // 8 pm Power Center

### Beethoven Quartet Cycle Concerts 3 & 4

#### **Takács Quartet**

Saturday, January 21 // 8 pm Sunday, January 22 // 4 pm Rackham Auditorium

#### PROGRAM (CONCERT 3: JANUARY 21 // 8 PM)

Quartet No. 5 in A Major, Op. 18, No. 5 Quartet No. 4 in c minor, Op. 18, No. 4 Quartet No. 15 in a minor, Op. 132

#### PROGRAM (CONCERT 4: JANUARY 22 // 4 PM)

Quartet No. 3 in D Major, Op. 18, No. 3 Quartet No. 8 in e minor, Op. 59, No. 2 Quartet No. 12 in E-flat Major, Op. 127

#### **HD Theater Broadcast (National Theater, London)**

#### The Audience

By Peter Morgan Starring Helen Mirren Stephen Daldry, director Sunday, January 22 // 7 pm Michigan Theater

### Inon Barnatan, piano Anthony McGill, clarinet Alisa Weilerstein, cello

Sunday, January 29 // 4 pm Rackham Auditorium

#### **PROGRAM**

Beethoven Clarinet Trio in B-flat Major, Op. 11

Hallman Trio for Clarinet, Cello, and Piano (UMS co-commission)

Brahms Clarinet Trio in a minor, Op. 114

#### **FEBRUARY 2017 EVENTS**

#### **Bruckner Orchester Linz**

**Dennis Russell Davies**, conductor **Angélique Kidjo**, vocalist **Martin Achrainer**, baritone Thursday, February 2 // 7:30 pm Hill Auditorium

#### **PROGRAM**

Gershwin Porgy and Bess Suite (arr. Morton Gould)
Zemlinsky Symphony Songs from Africa Sings, Op. 20

Ellington Black, Brown, and Beige Suite Glass Ifé: Three Yorùbá Songs

#### **Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir**

**Kaspars Putniņš**, music director Friday, February 3 // 8 pm St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

#### **M-Prize Winner**

#### **Calidore String Quartet**

Sunday, February 5 // 4 pm Rackham Auditorium

#### **PROGRAM**

Mozart Quartet in d minor, K.421/417

Caroline Shaw New Work

Mendelssohn Quartet in e minor, Op. 44, No. 2

#### **Budapest Festival Orchestra**

Iván Fischer, conductor Richard Goode, piano UMS Choral Union Friday, February 10 // 8 pm Hill Auditorium

#### **PROGRAM**

Beethoven Piano Concerto No. 4 in G Major, Op. 58 Beethoven Symphony No. 9 in d minor, Op. 125

## **Beyond Sacred: Voices of Muslim Identity Ping Chong + Company**

Written by **Ping Chong** and **Sara Zatz**, with **Ryan Conarro** Saturday, February 18 // 8 pm Power Center

## Jelly and George Aaron Diehl & Cécile McLorin Salvant

Sunday, February 19 // 4 pm Michigan Theater

#### **MARCH 2017 EVENTS**

## Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis

Saturday, March 4 // 8 pm Hill Auditorium

## The Beauty Queen of Leenane Druid

Written by Martin McDonagh Directed by Garry Hynes Thursday, March 9 // 7:30 pm Friday, March 10 // 8 pm Saturday, March 11 // 8 pm Power Center

#### Beethoven's Missa Solemnis

UMS Choral Union
Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra
Scott Hanoian, conductor
Saturday, March 11 // 8 pm
Hill Auditorium

#### **Snarky Puppy**

Thursday, March 16 // 7:30 pm Hill Auditorium

### Betroffenheit

### **Kidd Pivot and Electric Company Theatre**

Created by **Crystal Pite** and **Jonathon Young**Friday, March 17 // 8 pm
Saturday, March 18 // 8 pm
Power Center

### Steve Reich @ 80 Music for 18 Musicians

#### Featuring eighth blackbird and Third Coast Percussion

Saturday, March 18 // 8 pm Hill Auditorium

#### Mitsuko Uchida, piano

Friday, March 24 // 8 pm Hill Auditorium

#### **PROGRAM**

Mozart Sonata in C Major, K. 545 Schumann Kreisleriana, Op. 16

Widmann Sonatina facile (US premiere) Schumann Fantasy in C Major, Op. 17

### Beethoven Quartet Cycle Concerts 5 & 6 Takács Quartet

#### **Takács Quartet**

Saturday, March 25 // 8 pm Sunday, March 26 //4 pm Rackham Auditorium

#### PROGRAM (CONCERT 5: MARCH 25 // 8 PM)

Quartet No. 6 in B-flat Major, Op. 18, No. 6 Quartet No. 16 in F Major, Op. 135 Quartet No. 9 in C Major, Op. 59, No. 3

#### PROGRAM (CONCERT 6: MARCH 26 // 4 PM)

Quartet No. 7 in F Major, Op. 59, No. 1

Quartet No. 13 in B-flat Major, Op. 130, with Op. 133 "Grosse Fuge"

#### DakhaBrakha

Wednesday, March 29 // 7:30 pm Michigan Theater

## The Encounter Complicite / Simon McBurney

Directed and performed by **Simon McBurney**Inspired by the book *Amazon Beaming* by **Petru Popescu**Thursday, March 30 // 7:30 pm
Friday, March 31 // 8 pm
Saturday, April 1 // 8 pm
Power Center

#### **APRIL 2017 EVENTS**

#### Michael Fabiano and Martin Katz

Saturday, April 1 // 8 pm Hill Auditorium

#### A Far Cry with Roomful of Teeth

Wednesday, April 12 // 7:30 pm Rackham Auditorium

#### **PROGRAM**

Shaw Music in Common Time

Prokofiev Visions Fugitives
Hearne Coloring Book
Hearne Law of Mosaics

#### Sanam Marvi

Saturday, April 15 // 8 pm Rackham Auditorium

#### King Sunny Adé

Friday, April 21 // 8 pm Michigan Theater

#### **Bach Trios**

### Yo-Yo Ma, Edgar Meyer & Chris Thile

Saturday, April 22 // 8 pm Hill Auditorium

#### **Opera in Concert**

#### Handel's Ariodante

Starring Joyce DiDonato, mezzo-soprano
The English Concert
Harry Bicket, artistic director
Tuesday, April 25 // 7:30 pm
Hill Auditorium