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## **SEGERSTROM CENTER FOR THE ARTS RINGS IN THE HOLIDAYS WITH A FESTIVE ARRAY OF PROGRAMMING**

**JOHNNY MATHIS CHRISTMAS CONCERT  
FIESTA NAVIDAD WITH MARIACHI LOS CAMPEROS  
AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE – *THE NUTCRACKER*  
HOLIDAYS AROUND THE WORLD ON THE ARGYROS PLAZA  
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SALUTE TO VIENNA NEW YEAR’S CONCERT**

### **Center Gift Certificates available for gift-giving ease**

**COSTA MESA, CA** – A thrilling roster of international music, dance and legendary recording artists makes for a most spectacular holiday season at Segerstrom Center for the Arts. It all begins December 9 when the “Voice of Christmas” **Johnny Mathis** returns to the Center, followed by the popular annual presentation of **Fiesta Navidad with Mariachi Los Camperos** (December 12), the return of **American Ballet Theatre’s** delightful *The Nutcracker* (December 14 – 23), the free **Holidays Around the World** festival on the Julianne and George Argyros Plaza, plus two additional seasonal concerts: “**The Beautiful Day**” – **Kurt Elling Sings Christmas** (December 15) and **John Legend’s A Legendary Christmas Tour** (December 29), and all culminating with the elegant **Salute to Vienna New Year’s Concert** (December 29).

To help take the stress out of year-round gift giving, the Center offers gift certificates that can be used for any of the many wonderful shows and performances. Gift certificates can be purchased through the Center’s website at [www.SCFTA.org](http://www.SCFTA.org) or by visiting or calling the Box Office.

Tickets are available for purchase online at [www.SCFTA.org](http://www.SCFTA.org), at the Box Office at 600 Town Center Drive in Costa Mesa or by calling (714) 556-2787. For inquiries about group ticket savings of 10 or more, please call the Group Services office at (714) 755-0236.

Segerstrom Center for the Arts applauds Kia, Official Automotive Partner of the Center and United Airlines, Official Airline of the Center. The Center’s International Dance Series is made possible by

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**JOHNNY MATHIS CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Sunday, December 9, 2018 at 7 p.m.  
Segerstrom Hall  
Tickets start at \$79

Celebrating his 62<sup>nd</sup> year as a recording artist, legendary singer Johnny Mathis is a sublime vocalist whose approach to pop music eclipses fads and trends. From his first Christmas album in 1958 to the present, Johnny has solidified himself as the undisputed "Voice of Christmas." He returns to the Center to perform his greatest holiday hits and personal favorites accompanied by renowned comedian and musician Gary Mule Deer who opens the show.

**FIESTA NAVIDAD WITH MARIACHI LOS CAMPEROS**

Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 8 p.m.  
Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall  
Tickets start at \$29

The Center welcomes the world-renowned, Grammy® Award-winning Mariachi Los Camperos for a celebratory evening of Mexican and American holiday songs, inspired choreography performed by Folklor Pasión Mexicana as well as audience sing-alongs. This colorful and beloved holiday concert also features the Latin American tradition of Las Posadas, the reenactment of Joseph and Mary's pilgrimage to Bethlehem.

**AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE: *THE NUTCRACKER***

December 14 – 23, 2018  
Wednesday – Friday at 7:00 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 7:00 p.m. and Sunday at 12:30 and 5:30 p.m.  
Segerstrom Hall  
Tickets start at \$29

American Ballet Theatre's sumptuous production is Orange County's must-see *Nutcracker* and a beloved holiday tradition. Once again, audiences will be thrilled by ABT's incomparable dancers and delighted with Alexei Ratmansky's "cinematic creation" (*Orange County Register*) as the ballet unfolds to Tchaikovsky's beloved score. And the children in the ballet are Orange County's most accomplished young dancers, most from Segerstrom Center's American Ballet Theatre William J. Gillespie School.

**HOLIDAYS AROUND THE WORLD**

December 14 – 23, 2018  
Julianne and George Argyros Plaza  
Free

Sights and sounds of many cherished holiday traditions share the Julianne and George Argyros Plaza this year. While a magical *Nutcracker* comes to life inside Segerstrom Hall, outside, the Argyros Plaza will be alive with the beauty and spirit of the season. Enjoy festive holiday photo opportunities for friends and family, share your family's holiday traditions and help us decorate our Path of Traditions through the Community Grove as we celebrate our community, professional, and school performing groups from throughout Orange County. Plus, on both Sunday, December 16 and 23, come board our Center Express Train on a magical ride around the Segerstrom Center for the Arts campus!

**“THE BEAUTIFUL DAY” – KURT ELLING SINGS CHRISTMAS**

Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 7 & 9 p.m.  
Samueli Theater  
Tickets start at \$69

Declared by *The New York Times* as the “standout male jazz vocalist of our time,” Grammy® winner Kurt Elling headlines the Center for two performances singing a repertoire of songs from his new holiday album, *The Beautiful Day*. Inventive and fresh, this special program reimagines the sounds of Christmas, mixing traditional carols decked out in new arrangements with songs that are revelations and rediscovered treats.

**JOHN LEGEND – A LEGENDARY CHRISTMAS TOUR**

Saturday, December 29, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.  
Seegerstrom Hall  
Tickets start at \$85

Newly anointed EGOT winner and multi-platinum recording artist John Legend celebrates the release of his first Christmas album, *A Legendary Christmas* with a 25-date holiday tour across North America. The acclaimed singer-songwriter headlines the Center in this festive return engagement with songs from the album, which features a blend of beloved Christmas classics and original tracks.

**SALUTE TO VIENNA NEW YEAR’S CONCERT**

Saturday, December 29, 2018 at 8 p.m.  
Renée and Henry Seegerstrom Concert Hall  
Tickets start at \$49

Ring in the New Year with a glittery celebration of singing and dancing that will delight the senses. Salute to Vienna New Year’s Concert recreates the beauty of Vienna’s golden era and its elegance charms audiences of every age. This year’s concert will feature a brilliant new program of Strauss Waltzes and sweeping melodies from beloved operettas performed by acclaimed European singers, champion ballroom dancers, the National Ballet of Hungary and the Strauss Symphony of America.

**More Holiday Shows at Seegerstrom Center for the Arts**

**Nutcracker Fantasy**

**December 6 – 8, 2018** | Thursday – Saturday at 8 p.m.  
Pacific Symphony  
Renée and Henry Seegerstrom Concert Hall. Tickets start at \$25.

***Nutcracker for Kids***

**December 8, 2018** | Saturday at 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.  
Pacific Symphony  
Renée and Henry Seegerstrom Concert Hall. Tickets start at \$35.

**Handel’s *Messiah***

**December 9, 2018** | Sunday at 3 p.m.  
Pacific Symphony  
Renée and Henry Seegerstrom Concert Hall. Tickets start at \$25.

**Christmas with Jackie Evancho**

**December 14 – 15, 2018** | Friday – Saturday at 8 p.m.

Pacific Symphony

Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall. Tickets start at \$45.

**Holiday Organ Spectacular**

**December 18, 2018** | Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Pacific Symphony

Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall. Tickets start at \$15.

**Holidays with the Clayton-Hamilton Jazz Orchestra**

**December 19, 2018** | Wednesday at 8 p.m.

Philharmonic Society of Orange County

Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall. Tickets start at \$28.

**Holidays with the Five Browns**

**December 20, 2018** | Thursday at 8 p.m.

Philharmonic Society of Orange County

Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall. Tickets start at \$30.

***Tis the Season!***

**December 22 & 23, 2018** | Saturday at 5 p.m. & Sunday at 3 p.m.

Pacific Chorale

Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall. Tickets start at \$29.

**Segerstrom Center for the Arts** is an acclaimed arts institution as well as a beautiful multi-disciplinary cultural campus. It is committed to supporting artistic excellence, offering unsurpassed experiences and to engaging the entire community in new and exciting ways through the unique power of live performance and a diverse array of inspiring arts-based education and community engagement programs. Previously called the Orange County Performing Arts Center, Segerstrom Center is Orange County's largest non-profit arts organization. In addition to its six performance venues, Segerstrom Center is also home to the American Ballet Theatre William J. Gillespie School.

The Center presents a broad range of programming for audiences of all ages, including international ballet and dance, national tours of top Broadway shows, jazz and cabaret, contemporary artists, 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.

Segerstrom Center is a leader among the nation's performing arts centers for providing education programs designed to inspire young people through the arts. The Center's programs reach hundreds of thousands of students each year in five Southern California counties. Community engagement programs developed through the Center for Dance and Innovation and Center Without Boundaries also connect the Center more comprehensively with Orange County's many diverse communities. The CDI supports flagship artistic programming and a wide range of projects that celebrate innovation, nurture creativity and engage audiences of the future. It is home to the ABT Gillespie School and the School of Dance and Music for Children with Disabilities. The Center Without Boundaries develops partnerships with non-cultural organizations to help them in their own efforts to respond to the ever-changing needs of the community.

Segerstrom Center for the Arts is also proud to serve as the artistic home to three of the region's major

performing arts organizations: **Pacific Symphony**, **Philharmonic Society of Orange County** and **Pacific Chorale**, who contribute greatly to the artistic life of the region with annual seasons performed at Segerstrom Center for the Arts.

In addition to Segerstrom Center for the Arts as a presenting and producing institution, it also identifies the beautiful 14-acre campus that embraces the Center's own facilities as well as two independently acclaimed organizations: Tony Award®-winning **South Coast Repertory** and a site designated as the future home of the **Orange County Museum of Art**.



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**Group Sales -** (714) 755-0236  
Open 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday – Friday

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