



A NIGHT OF  
**WINTER HOLIDAY FAVORITES**

 **DEC 15 SUN 6:30 PM** FREE with Gardens admission

Celebrate a festive and diverse holiday season with multicultural winter music favorites, presented by Alhambra Orchestra as part of the annual Nights of Lights celebration at Pinecrest Gardens.



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Pinecrest 33156

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Presented by



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With a mission to connect and enrich Miami's community through music, the Alhambra Orchestra stands out as a beacon of musical excellence and cultural enrichment. Our commitment to showcasing classical music through accessible performances not only delights audiences but also contributes to the cultural vibrancy of Miami. By nurturing local talent and providing free and affordable concert experiences, the orchestra ensures that everyone has the opportunity to experience the transformative power of music firsthand, solidifying the orchestra's reputation as a cornerstone of Miami's artistic community.

### ALHAMBRA ORCHESTRA PERSONNEL

CONDUCTOR: **Daniel Andai**

**VIOLIN:** **Steffen Zeichner** (concertmaster), **Xiomara Sepúlveda Rueda**, Alexander Alvarado, Ana Ortega, Celine Thum, Cennet Çevik, Jackie Alvarez, Janice Coker, Joy Castro, Kelvin Clavelo, Katie Peña, Katerina Rancano, Maria Consuela Armas, Mariangely Diaz, Marianna Pineda, Maxine Ismael, Michelle Pelletier, Peter Vertes, Roda Buenconsejo, Silvina Parra, Smiley Hsu, Sofia Causa-Dumay, Veronica Pereira, Wendy Ocando, Luz Maria Luque Sanchez,

**VIOLA:** **Michelle Sanchez**, 3Bill Burrows, Carolina De León, Gabi Huget, Leo Walz, April Queen, Paul Strassburg

**CELLO:** **Sara Wigderson**, Starina D' Haiti, Suzanne Gottlieb Calleja, Sophie Hager, Claire Linder, Isabelle Mencia, Isabell Sanchez, August Neal, Flor Stabilini, Ruth Alexandra Smith, Barbara Tria, Richard Woodworth, Pamela Yen

**BASS:** **Joe Yeargin**, Richard Rose

**FLUTE:** **Carol Naveira-Nicholson**, Sophia Camejo, Aldo Fernandez

**OBOE:** **Camber Flick**, Cesar Rangel

**CLARINET:** **Evan Eldridge**, Javier Albornoz, John A. Garcia

**BASSOON:** Gail Harrison

**FRENCH HORN:** **Carlos Briceño**, **Alejandro Retana**, Matt Leone, Seth Patterson

**TRUMPET:** **Jean-Claude Misset**, Dani Echazabal, Miles Lawrence

**TROMBONE:** Bryan Albear, Chandler Finley, Steve Saunders

**TUBA:** Carlos Avila

**PERCUSSION:** Andrey Kovalenko, Brian Lewis, Damien Llevada, Michael Vargas

**KEYBOARD:** Jacob Mason

**Bold Indicates Section Principal**

## PROGRAM

### *Christmas Eve/Sarajevo 12/24*

Paul O'Neill and Robert Kinkel, arr. Bob Phillips

### *Santa at the Symphony*

arr. Mark Williams

### *Fantasia on Greensleeves*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Flute soloist Carol Naveira-Nicholson

### *Wizards in Winter*

Paul O'Neill and Robert Kinkel, arr. Bob Phillips

### *There's Christmas in the Air*

arr. Carl Strommen

## BRIEF PAUSE

### *Sleigh Ride*

Leroy Anderson

### *Overture to The Messiah*

Georg Fredrich Handel

### *"Waltz of the Flowers" from The Nutcracker*

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

### *Festive Sounds of Hannukah*

Traditional, arr. Bill Holcombe

### *A Christmas Festival*

Leroy Anderson

# Presenting Our 35th Concert Season

A Symphony of Spectacular Performances

2024 - 2025



### HISPANIC HERITAGE CONCERT CELEBRATION

Immerse yourself in a mesmerizing fusion of Latin classics, dances, and popular tunes, performed by stellar guitar and soprano soloists. Experience the vibrant rhythms and rich melodies that promise an unforgettable evening of musical enchantment and cultural celebration.

Saturday, September 28, 2024 / 7:30 pm AND Sunday, September 29, 2024 / 3:00 pm  
Coral Gables Sanctuary of the Arts – 410 Andalusia Avenue, Coral Gables, 33134  
Tickets: [ci.ovationtx.com/36755](http://ci.ovationtx.com/36755)  
\$10 adults, \$5 seniors and students

### SPOOKY SYMPHONY

Join us for a spectacular Community Halloween Celebration sponsored by The Children's Trust and featuring the Greater Miami Youth Symphony! Delight in a bewitching evening of eerie classics and iconic movie themes that are sure to enchant young audiences and families alike. From chilling melodies to thrilling crescendos, let the music transport you to a realm of Halloween magic and mystery.  
Friday, October 25, 2024, TWO SHOWS: 7:00 pm AND 8:15 pm  
Dennis C. Moss Cultural Arts Center – 10950 SW 211 St., Cutler Bay 33189  
FREE. Get your free tickets at [mosscenter.org](http://mosscenter.org)

### HOLIDAY POPS

Celebrate the diversity of the holiday season with a spectacular showcase of multicultural winter holiday favorites. Experience an inclusive selection of seasonal classics for visitors of all ages to enjoy. From spirited jazz renditions to heartwarming orchestral arrangements, let the music of the holidays fill your soul with warmth and cheer.  
Sunday, December 15, 2024 / 6:30 pm  
Pinecrest Gardens – 11000 SW 57th Avenue, Pinecrest 33156  
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### SOUTH FLORIDA'S GOT TALENT

Experience the breathtaking talent of the next generation as the young winners of our prestigious concerto competition take the stage. Prepare to be dazzled by their virtuosity and passion as they showcase their musical prowess in captivating performances that will leave you spellbound. From stirring overtures to electrifying concertos, join us for an evening of extraordinary musical mastery that promises to ignite the senses and leave you in awe.  
Saturday, February 1, 2025 / 7:30 pm  
FIU Wertheim Auditorium – 10910 SW 17th Street, Miami 33199  
FREE, NO TICKETS NEEDED

### FROM FOLK TO CLASSICAL

Prepare to be swept away on a journey across continents as the talented members of our orchestra breathe life into a vibrant tapestry of folk-inspired works from Europe and America. Join us for an evening of enchantment and celebration as we unite through the universal language of music.  
Sunday, March 16, 2025 / 7:30 pm  
Coral Gables Congregational Church – 3010 Desoto Blvd., Coral Gables 33134  
FREE, NO TICKETS NEEDED

### 35TH SEASON FINALE – LATE ROMANTIC FIREWORKS

Experience the grand culmination of our 35th season with an unforgettable finale, ablaze with the fiery passion of late Romantic masterpieces. From the sweeping melodies of Tchaikovsky's orchestral brilliance to the Bohemian charm of Dvorak's lush orchestrations, revel in the splendor of these iconic masterworks as they unfold. Experience the captivating artistry of cellist Thomas Mesa as he performs Dvorak's cello concerto, followed by the iconic and beloved Tchaikovsky 1812 Overture. Join us for a night of unparalleled musical enchantment, celebrating the rich tapestry of these timeless compositions.  
Saturday, May 3, 2025 / 7:30 pm  
FIU Wertheim Performing Arts Center – 10910 SW 17th Street, Miami 33199  
FREE, NO TICKETS NEEDED

### SPECIAL SUMMER BONUS

#### OPERA SHOWCASE

Experience operatic brilliance with Manny Perez Studio's top singers, accompanied by a full orchestra. From Verdi to Puccini, immerse yourself in beloved gems that promise an evening of timeless enchantment and soul-stirring melodies.  
Sunday, June 15, 2025 / 3:00 pm  
Actors' Playhouse at the Miracle Theatre  
280 Miracle Mile, Coral Gables, FL 33134  
Tickets: [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com)  
\$10 adults, \$5 seniors and students

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