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Mayor Fulop Announces a Free Family-Friendly Outdoor Concert by Emmy & Grammy Award-Winning New Jersey Symphony

Final Summer Performance this Sunday in Liberty State Park

JERSEY CITY, NJ - Mayor Steven M. Fulop joins **City Council members** and the **Office of Cultural Affairs** to invite the public to the grand finale performance by the world-class **New Jersey Symphony** in Liberty State Park this Sunday, June 30. The sounds of the Symphony will start at 7:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

“Adding the New Jersey Symphony to Jersey City’s lineup of summer music events is a great way to provide residents and visitors a valuable opportunity to experience high-quality music performances in a community setting that entertains and inspires,” **Mayor Fulop** said. “We invite residents and visitors to Liberty State Park for this special concert.”

At the [final performance](#) for the Symphony’s summer outdoor series, attendees can enjoy timeless classics, Broadway themes, and much more all under the stars with magnificent views of the Manhattan skyline.

This year’s program, conducted by Joshua Gersen, celebrates patriotism and the Garden State with pieces including John Williams’ *Liberty Fanfare*, John Philip Sousa’s *Atlantic City Pageant March*, and other Jersey treasures.

“This free community event would not be possible without the Arts and Culture Trust Fund, a critical investment in our city’s arts and culture scene,” said **Christine Goodman, Director of the Office of Cultural Affairs**.

PARKING: Free parking is available after 5:30 p.m. in the Ferry Lot at Liberty State Park (1 Audrey Zapp Drive). Limited parking is available on the south end of the park. Attendees may also choose to park at Liberty Science Center’s paid lot (222 Jersey City Boulevard).

SHUTTLES: Free concert shuttle buses will run from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. to and from the Green Ring. To view the shuttle map, visit jerseycityculture.org.

LIGHT RAIL: Attendees can also use the Hudson-Bergen Light Rail to Liberty State Park and access the Liberty Science Center shuttle stop across the street.

RAIN LOCATION: Margaret Williams Theatre at Hepburn Hall, Center for the Arts at New Jersey City University (2039 Kennedy Boulevard, Jersey City).



For additional concert details please visit the NJ Symphony website [here](#). For more information on the Jersey City concert, please visit the city's Cultural Affairs website [here](#).

About the New Jersey Symphony

The Emmy and GRAMMY Award-winning New Jersey Symphony is redefining what it means to be a nationally leading, relevant orchestra in the 21st century. The Symphony is renewing its deeply rooted commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion by championing new, and often local, artists; engaging audiences for whom the inspiring depth and breadth of classical music will be a new experience; and incorporating the broadest possible representation in all aspects of our organization—all to better reflect and serve our vibrant communities.

Internationally renowned Chinese American conductor Xian Zhang began her tenure as the New Jersey Symphony's current music director in 2016. Since her arrival, Zhang has revitalized programming with an industry-leading commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion in mainstage concerts. Since 2021, Zhang has worked together with composer, violinist, educator, and social-justice advocate Daniel Bernard Roumain, the orchestra's Resident Artistic Catalyst, to offer programming that connects with diverse communities in Newark and throughout New Jersey. In 2024, Allison Loggins-Hull will succeed DBR as the orchestra's next Resident Artistic Partner.

In the 2024-25 season, the New Jersey Symphony will present *Voice of Nature: the Anthropocene* with Renée Fleming, Billy Childs' *Diaspora*, Daniel Freiberg's *Latin American Chronicles*, Allison Loggins-Hull's *Can You See?*, Qasim Naqvi's *God Docks at Death Harbor* and Gabriela Ortiz's *Kauyumari*. Classical favorites on the season include Ludwig van Beethoven's Symphony No. 9, "Choral," Gustav Holst's *The Planets*—An HD Odyssey, Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov's *Scheherazade* and Igor Stravinsky's Suite from *The Firebird*. Artistic partnerships include Paquito D'Rivera and his quintet, as part of the TD James Moody Jazz Festival; Nimbus Dance performing with *The Firebird* and *God Docks at Death Harbor*; Montclair State University Chorale performing on three programs; as well as Peking University Alumni Chorus and Starry Arts Children's Chorus appearing on the Lunar New Year Celebration concert with Xian Zhang. For more information about the New Jersey Symphony, visit njsymphony.org

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