

**2018/19
SEASON**



**RICHMOND
SYMPHONY**

WE PLAYED

WHERE YOU PLAYED

2018/19 SEASON RECAP

WE SAID GOODBYE...

At the close of the 2018/2019 Season we bid farewell to Music Director, Steven Smith. Over the nine seasons of his tenure, Steven raised the Richmond Symphony to new heights of artistic excellence and took the Symphony into new venues to reach a wider, more diverse audience. During our current season five outstanding candidates will take their turn at the podium and one will become our new music director.

WE SHARED GREAT MUSIC...

- **Five sold out concerts** in the 2018/2019 season, including the Opening Night performance with renowned pianist, Lang Lang.
- Summer Series 2018, "The World of Robert Schumann," **sold out** every concert.
- **350+ tickets** were provided to active members of the military with support from Dominion Energy.
- 100 members joined the new **20/30 Group** for music lovers ages 21-39.
- **New audiences** met the Richmond Symphony when we performed with "Weird Al" Yankovic at RIR.
- A special "**Centennial of the Armistice 1918**" concert was held in collaboration with the Virginia WWI and WWII Commission.

TESTIMONIALS

"The entire evening was special. I've been very impressed with the Richmond Symphony since moving to the area 2 years ago."

WE LOOKED TO THE FUTURE...

- **7,500** Richmond-area students attended a Discovery Concert at the Dominion Energy Center.
- **45,000 students in 110 schools** were visited by the Symphony's Musical Ambassadors Program.
- Talented students from underserved communities will receive financial assistance to further their musical education through the Symphony's newly established **Talent Development Program**.
- **300+ youth** (ages 3-18) took advantage of free tickets to our Masterworks series.



WE PLAYED FOR THOUSANDS...EVERYWHERE

- **22,000** people celebrated the 4th of July with the Richmond Symphony at Henrico's Dorey Park.
- Big Tent Community Festivals were held in Richmond's **Northside and East End neighborhoods.**

WE GAINED SUPPORT...

The Richmond Symphony received a grant from the **National Endowment for the Arts** (NEA) in support of the Big Tent Festival in Richmond's Northside and a performance at the Henrico Community Festival.

The Symphony's **Community Council** continues to grow.

TESTIMONIALS

"Our symphony continues to hit it out of the park."

"It's always astonishing how precise & emotional a live performance can be."

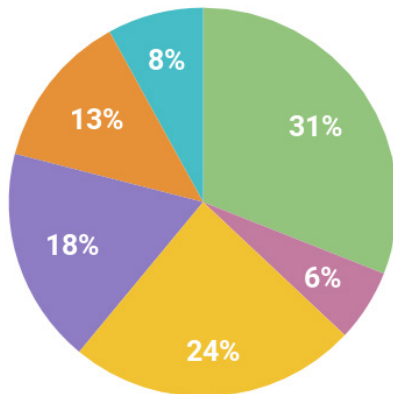
"Loved how everyone was very welcoming. Loved the performance."

18/19 REVENUE & EXPENSES

The Richmond Symphony ended FY19 with a balanced budget because of your support!

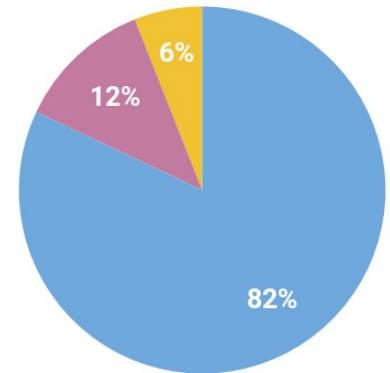
18/19 REVENUES

- Earned
- Endowment
- Individuals
- Foundation
- Business
- Government



18/19 EXPENSES

- Artistic & Education
- Fundraising & Marketing
- Administrative



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LOOKING AHEAD!

On May 14-24, 2020 the Menuhin Competition Richmond 2020 will bring 44 of the world's best young violinists to the city, along with special guest artists, and performances by Sphinx Virtuosi and the Richmond Symphony. The event is being co-hosted by the Richmond Symphony, City of Richmond, University of Richmond, Virginia Commonwealth University, and VPM. For more information visit

2020.menuhincompetition.org



We have you to thank for a successful 2018/2019 season!

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