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Celebrate the Holiday Season with Annual Favorites - Handel's *Messiah* and Let It Snow!

Handel's *Messiah* - Friday, December 1 at 7:30pm

Carpenter Theatre, Dominion Arts Center

Let It Snow! - Saturday, December 2 at 8pm and Sunday, December 3 at 3pm

Carpenter Theatre, Dominion Arts Center

November 21, 2017 – Richmond, Virginia - Join us for a celebration of the season with Let It Snow! on Saturday, December 2 at 8pm and Sunday, December 3 at 3pm. This winter wonderland of music includes holiday favorites such as "I'll Be Home for Christmas," "Sleigh Ride," and "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" and is the perfect annual event to include in your RVA holiday traditions. The Richmond Symphony Chorus and Smithsonian Songwriter award-winning guest vocalist, Susan Greenbaum will be joining the Richmond Symphony on stage for this festive celebration. Richmond Symphony Chorus Director, Erin R. Freeman will be returning to the conductor's stand, leading both Let It Snow! performances at the Carpenter Theatre, Dominion Arts Center. Audiences are encouraged to participate by bringing their own sleigh bells. A limited number of bells will be distributed at the theater.

Tickets start at \$10 [online](http://richmondsymphony.com) at richmondsymphony.com or by calling 1.800.514.ETIX. Child, senior, and college student pricing is available.

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Erin R. Freeman, conductor, [bio](#)
Susan Greenbaum, vocalist, [bio](#)
Daisuke Yamamoto, violin, [bio](#)
Richmond Symphony Chorus, [bio](#)

Prior to Let It Snow! join the Richmond Symphony, the Richmond Symphony Chorus, and outstanding soloists for the holiday classic Handel's *Messiah* on Friday, December 1 at 7:30pm. Handel's masterpiece portrays Christ's birth, passion, and resurrection through passages of stunning beauty and timeless melodies including the popular "Hallelujah Chorus." The quartet of vocalists includes Suzanne Karpov (soprano), Jessica Renfro (mezzo-soprano), William Ferguson (tenor), and Calvin Griffin (bass-baritone). Jonathan Moyer is also featured on harpsichord. Led by Associate Conductor, Chia-Hsuan Lin and held at the Carpenter Theatre, Dominion Arts Center.

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About the Richmond Symphony

Kicking off its 60th Anniversary Season in September 2017, the Richmond Symphony is the largest performing arts organization in Central Virginia. The organization includes an orchestra of more than 70 professional musicians, the 150-voice Richmond Symphony Chorus and more than 260 students in the Richmond Symphony Youth Orchestra programs. Each season, more than 200,000 members of the community enjoy live concerts and radio broadcasts. The Symphony also provides educational outreach programs to over 55,000 students and teachers each year. The Symphony was recently named one of 21 American orchestras selected as a leader in orchestra innovation by the League of American Orchestras through its Futures Fund Initiative. The Richmond Symphony is partially funded by the Virginia Commission for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts. Visit www.richmondsymphony.com.

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