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## **Hot Summer Nights Festival Celebrates Its Sweet 16 In a Five-Week Event**

COLUMBIA, Mo.— Missouri Symphony Society will host the Hot Summer Nights Festival from June 1-July 6, 2019 at locations besides the Missouri Theatre to provide classical performances to the community.

The Hot Summer Nights Festival would produce a series of 25 to 30 classical, pops, chamber and family concerts. The festival will kick-off with a concert featuring Beethoven's music.

There will be orchestra concerts performing musical pieces from Brahms, Vivaldi, Tchaikovsky and more musical pieces. The Missouri Symphony Society (MOSY) will invite guest artists from around the world to perform along with the symphony. Last year, soloists [Karen Kanakis](#) of St. Louis, [Jacob Lassetter](#) of St. Louis, [Sabina Kim](#) of Busan, South Korea and [John David Nevergall](#) of Elmore, Ohio performed in [Verdi Requiem](#) concert.

The Chamber recital concerts and two-family concerts will return to the Broadway Christian Church for those who would like to view the MOSY ensemble. There will be a silent movie accompanied by the MOSY orchestra with a staged opera production and our resident opera artists.

“Hot Summer Nights is the largest classical and pop festival in the Midwestern region,” Administrative Director of MOSY, Courtney Bouska said.

MOSY [music director](#) and conductor, Maestro Trevor, has a strict schedule comprising teaching projects that span the globe to reach musicians. He is an internationally known music conductor that has developed a global following. He annually hosts an international workshop held in Europe that brings over 50 conductors.

“We are crunching things down into a five-week festival this year because Kirk has other programs he is taking part in New York,” Bouska said. His latest project is working on recorded music and acting as a conducting teaching model for the Amazon Prime TV series Mozart in the Jungle.

The [tickets](#) will be available on the Missouri Symphony Society website, purchasable at the Missouri Theatre box office at 203 South Ninth St. Columbia, MO 65201 or call (573) 875-0600 for more information. Members of the MOSY league, will witness a small preview of the full line-up of musical pieces for the festival.

“This year is a little different in the timeline since we will have the same number of shows, we’re not shortening any of the shows but shortening our sanity,” Bouska said.

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*The Missouri Symphony Society is a non-profit organization who are dedicated to enhancing and increasing the cultural awareness of classical music in mid-Missouri by presenting high-caliber performances by professional musicians while encouraging and education young performing artists.*