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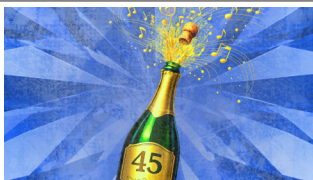
## 2026/27 SEASON AT A GLANCE



### OSCAR WINNERS: SONGS AND SCORES

**SUN** October 11 at 3:00 PM  
Dawson Auditorium

Academy Award-winning movie



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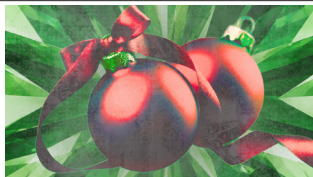
Raise your paddle and join the fun!



### B THERE OR B SQUARE

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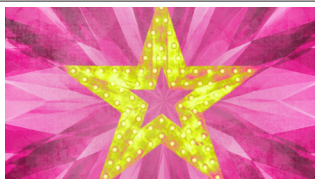
**Daniela Liebman**, piano



### YULETIDE HARMONIES

**SAT** December 12 at 7:30 PM  
Dawson Auditorium

Orchestra, choirs, and holiday cheer



### BROADWAY'S LEADING LADIES

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Dawson Auditorium

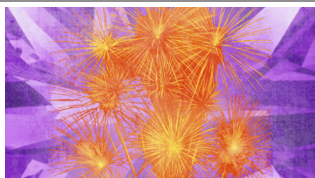
Iconic Broadway hits featuring



### THE NEW WORLD: TO AND FROM

**FRI** March 12 at 7:30 PM  
Dawson Auditorium

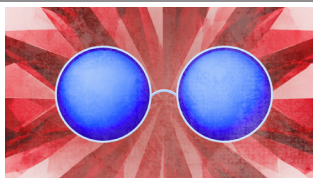
**William Hagen**, violin



### OH! I KNOW THAT ONE!

**FRI** April 30 at 7:30 PM  
Dawson Auditorium

**Risa Hokamura**, violin



### AMERICAN ENGLISH

**FRI** June 4 at 7:30 PM  
Dawson Auditorium

A spectacular tribute to The Beatles

# LETTER FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR



There's nothing quite like the moment an orchestra tunes up and the hall goes quiet. This season, we're bringing that moment back to you again and again.

We're opening things up with a little bit of everything. Movie lovers will get their fix with **Oscar Winners: Songs and Scores**, a celebration of the scores that have shaped our screen memories for decades. Broadway

fans won't want to miss **Broadway Leading Ladies**, an evening built around the show-stopping women who've owned the stage, from Fanny Brice to Elphaba. December brings back our beloved **Yuletide Harmonies**. And in the spring, **Oh! I Know That One!** proves that the most famous classical melodies are famous for a reason.

The great symphonic works remain at our core. Beethoven headlines twice this season: his fiery Fifth Symphony and his elegant First Piano Concerto. **The New World, To and From** traces a journey through William Grant Still's *Wood Notes*, Korngold's Violin Concerto, and Dvořák's *New World Symphony*.

We're especially glad for the artists joining us. **Daniela Liebman** returns to our stage at the piano. **William Hagen** makes his very first ASO appearance with Korngold's Concerto. And **Risa Hokamura** joins us for *Carmen Fantasy* and Massenet's Meditation.

Come as you are, curious or nostalgic or simply ready to be moved. We'll bring the music.

With gratitude and excitement,

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# OSCAR WINNERS: SONGS AND SCORES

**SUN** October 11, 2026 at 3:00 PM  
Dawson Auditorium, Adrian College

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**Bruce Anthony Kiesling**, conductor

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From sweeping adventures to unforgettable love stories, experience the music behind some of cinema's greatest moments. This spectacular evening celebrates Academy Award-winning scores and songs from beloved classics including *Jaws*, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, *Up*, *Lawrence of Arabia*, *Schindler's List*, *La La Land*, and more. Featuring guest vocalists and the full orchestra, it's a night of movie magic for audiences of every generation.

**Dress for the Red Carpet!** Movie-inspired costumes and red carpet looks are encouraged, but never required. Come ready to celebrate a glamorous evening at the symphony!



# ASO AUCTION & GALA

**FRI** November 6, 2026 at 6:00 PM  
Adrian Tobias Room, Adrian College

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**Online Silent Auction October 23 to November 6, 2026**

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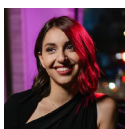
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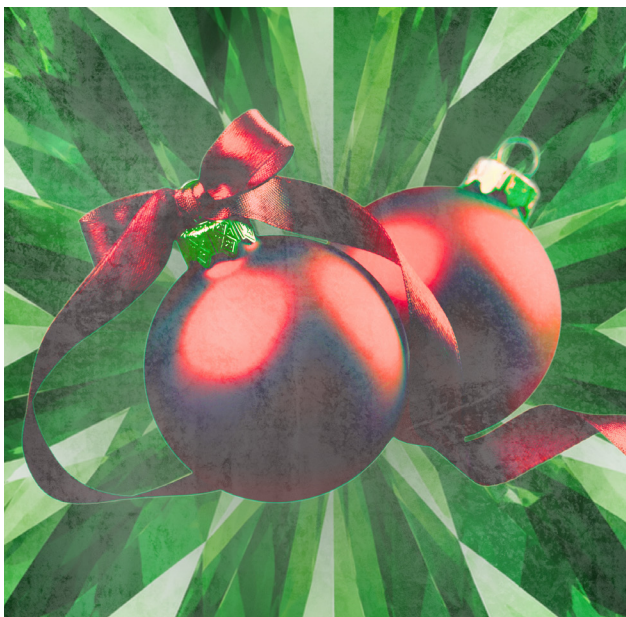
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**BERLIOZ** *Roman Carnival*  
**BEETHOVEN** Piano Concerto No. 1  
**BEETHOVEN** Symphony No. 5

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Few pieces of music are as instantly recognizable as Beethoven's Fifth Symphony. Built around four unforgettable notes, this revolutionary masterpiece changed the course of music history while its composer was losing his hearing. Paired with a vibrant concerto featuring guest artist Daniela Liebman, this program celebrates Beethoven's genius, resilience, and enduring power.



# YULETIDE HARMONIES

**SAT** December 12, 2026 at 7:30 PM  
Dawson Auditorium, Adrian College

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**Steven Jarvi**, conductor

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Celebrate the season with one of Adrian's favorite holiday traditions. Featuring the Adrian Symphony Orchestra joined by area choirs, guest vocalists, and special guest conductor Steven Jarvi, Yuletide Harmonies fills Dawson Auditorium with joyful music, cherished carols, and festive surprises. Whether it's your first visit or an annual tradition, this concert is the perfect way to celebrate the holidays with family and friends.

**The ASO holiday program is a fan favorite**, a not-to-be-missed event of the year, and is the perfect event to celebrate the season with family and friends alike. Will we attract a visit from Santa Claus himself? You will have to be there to see!



# BROADWAY'S LEADING LADIES

**FRI** February 5, 2027 at 7:30 PM  
Dawson Auditorium, Adrian College

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**Bruce Anthony Kiesling**, conductor

**Guest vocalists from The University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre, and Dance**

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Celebrate the powerhouse women who have defined Broadway for generations. Featuring three exceptional guest vocalists, this dazzling concert includes unforgettable songs from *Wicked*, *Les Misérables*, *Gypsy*, and other beloved musicals. Filled with soaring melodies, unforgettable characters, and Broadway glamour, it's a night every theater lover will enjoy.



# THE NEW WORLD, TO AND FROM

**FRI** March 12, 2027 at 7:30 PM  
Dawson Auditorium, Adrian College

**Bruce Anthony Kiesling**, conductor  
**William Hagen**, violin

**STILL** Selections from *Wood Notes*  
**KORNGOLD** Violin Concerto  
**DVORAK** Symphony No. 9, *From the New World*



Travel across musical landscapes in a program inspired by journeys, home, and discovery. Featuring violinist William Hagen, this concert includes a brilliant violin concerto alongside selections from *Wood Notes* before culminating in Dvořák's magnificent *New World Symphony*. Filled with sweeping melodies and powerful emotion, this beloved masterpiece continues to inspire audiences—and even today's greatest film composers.



# OH! I KNOW THAT ONE!

**FRI** April 30, 2027 at 7:30 PM  
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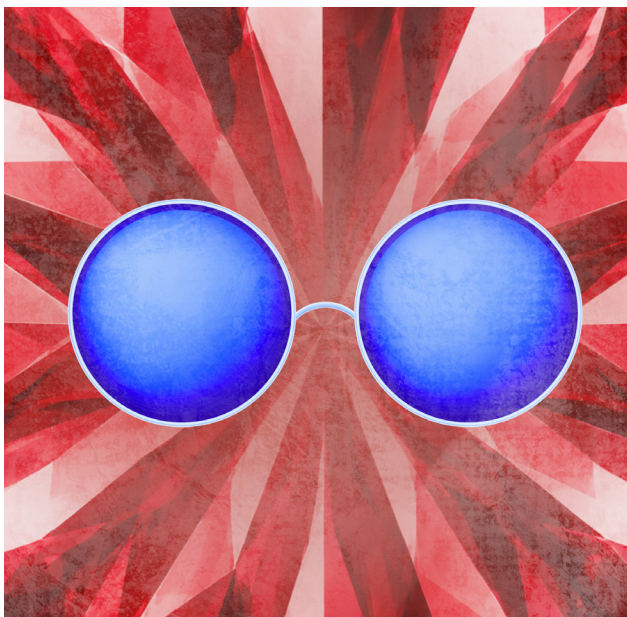
**Bruce Anthony Kiesling**, conductor  
**Risa Hokamura**, violin

**ROSSINI** *William Tell Overture*  
**GRIEG** *Peer Gynt, Hall of the Mountain King*  
**ROSSINI** *Barber of Seville*  
**TCHAIKOVSKY** *1812 Overture*  
**BIZET** *Carmen Fantasy (Sarasate)*  
**MASSENET** *Meditation from Thais*  
**BRITTEN** *Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra*



You've heard these melodies everywhere—from cartoons and commercials to movies and television—but now experience them performed live by a full symphony orchestra. Featuring favorites like *William*

*Tell Overture*, *Hall of the Mountain King*, and more, this engaging family concert combines storytelling, narration, movement, and audience participation for a fun introduction to the orchestra that's perfect for music lovers of every age.



# AMERICAN ENGLISH

**FRI** June 4, 2027 at 7:30 PM  
Dawson Auditorium, Adrian College

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## American English, Beatles Tribute Band

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Close the season with the timeless music of The Beatles. Chicago's acclaimed tribute band *American English* joins the Adrian Symphony Orchestra for an electrifying celebration of the Fab Four, featuring favorites like *Hey Jude*, *Let It Be*, *She Loves You*, *Twist and Shout*, *Magical Mystery Tour*, and more! Performed completely live with no backing tracks, this high-energy concert is guaranteed to have audiences singing along.

Kick off the summer with our **Patio Party** beginning at 6:30 PM outside Dawson Auditorium (weather permitting) with popcorn, music, and a cash bar.

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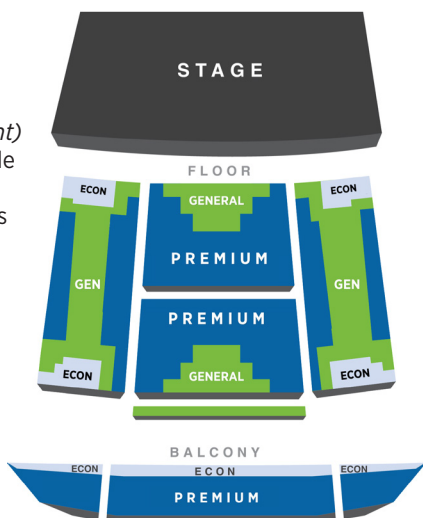
Dawson Auditorium is the Adrian College campus hub for theatre, arts, music, and is the main performance venue for the Adrian Symphony Orchestra. This facility includes a spacious lobby and main floor and balcony seating.

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