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OPENING WEEKEND AT THE 2023 BREVARD MUSIC CENTER SUMMER FESTIVAL!

Carmina Burana, Patti LuPone, Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 6, Beethoven's Archduke Trio and Revolution – The Music of the Beatles Featured Friday, June 23 Through Tuesday, June 27

Brevard, North Carolina — The official opening weekend – Friday, June 23 through Tuesday, June 27 – of the 2023 Brevard Music Center (BMC) Summer Festival is almost here! Highlights of the five-day celebration include classical masterpieces **Orff's Carmina Burana** (6/23) and **Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 6** (6/25), as well as *BMC Presents* series of non-classical concerts featuring Broadway legend **Patti LuPone** (6/24) and **Revolution: The Music of the Beatles** (6/27). BMC faculty will also be featured in an exquisite chamber performance of **Beethoven's Archduke Trio** (6/26). Primary BMC performance venues include the 1800-seat, open-air Whittington-Pfohl Auditorium and the new 400-seat Parker Concert Hall. **Tickets to BMC's Summer Festival – which features almost 100 performances and events through August 19 – start at \$24 and can be reserved at brevardmusic.org/tickets or by calling the BMC Box Office at 828-862-2105.**

For the complete list of performances, visit brevardmusic.org/tickets, download our [2023 Performance Calendar](#) or view the [2023 Overture Magazine](#). For a listing of FREE festival performances, please view BMC's [2023 Performance Schedule At-A-Glance](#).

"There is something exciting this summer for every music lover and listener. Whether you love Symphonies or the Beatles, Opera or Musical Theatre, Jazz or Bluegrass, we invite you to enjoy the magic of Brevard with us!" said **Mark Weinstein, President & CEO of Brevard Music Center**. "I look forward to our best music-making season yet ... and am particularly excited that vocal superstar Patti LuPone is with us on opening weekend. I remember seeing and hearing this legend as the original Evita on Broadway!"

"It's thrilling to make my first appearance with the acclaimed Brevard Music Center Summer Festival, a national treasure for its commitment to educating and inspiring the next generation of musicians." said legendary artist, **Patti LuPone**. "I can't wait to share my life-long love affair of The Great White Way with the Brevard audience in 'Don't Monkey with Broadway' - my personal celebration of the tradition of Broadway - and to be joined on stage by the talented singers of BMC's Janiec Opera Company. It's going to be a magical night of music and memories!"

The 2023 Brevard Music Center Summer Festival Season is sponsored by **Jacquelyn and Bruce Rogow**. **Drs. Joanne and Tom Parker** and **The Robinson-Hill Humanitarian Fund** sponsor this year's *Legendary Artists Series* and **Hampton Inn-Brevard** continues as the *BMC Presents* series sponsor.

OPENING WEEKEND @ BMC: JUNE 23 - 27

Friday, June 23 @ 7:30 PM — Opening Night: Carmina Burana, Whittington-Pfohl Auditorium

BMC favorite and Principal Guest Conductor, Maestra JoAnn Falletta, kicks off the season on Opening Night with a performance of Orff's epic Carmina Burana with the Brevard Music Center Orchestra and Greenville Chorale.

Saturday, June 24 @ 7:30 PM — BMC Presents: Legendary Artist Patti LuPone, Whittington-Pfohl Auditorium

Legendary Artist Patti LuPone, a true Broadway legend and three-time Tony Award winner, performs in this special BMC Presents concert. Ms. LuPone explores her lifelong love affair with Broadway through indelible interpretations of classic Broadway show tunes.

Sunday, June 25 @ 3:00 PM — Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 6, Whittington-Pfohl Auditorium

Join our College Division students in their opening concert of the season. Tchaikovsky's soulful "Pathétique" Symphony will be performed by the Brevard Sinfonia with Maestra JoAnn Falletta. Virtuoso violinist Simone Porter makes her Brevard debut in Bruch's soaring Scottish Fantasy.

Monday, June 26 @ 7:30 PM – Beethoven's Archduke Trio, Parker Concert Hall

BMC faculty perform one of Beethoven's best-known chamber works. The Piano Trio No. 7 in B flat Major, Op. 97 for piano, violin, and cello was dedicated to Beethoven's benefactor, student, and friend — Archduke Rudolf of Austria. Not only was this the last piano trio written by Beethoven, the premier of the Archduke Trio was also one of Beethoven's final concert performances.

Tuesday, June 27 @ 7:30 PM — Revolution: The Music of the Beatles, Whittington-Pfohl Auditorium

Revolution: The Music of the Beatles brings to life the greatest songs of the Fab Four in a BMC Presents symphonic tribute. Join us on a fun ride with hits such as "Penny Lane," "Hey Jude," "All You Need is Love" and much more! These iconic hits are sure to have you dancing on the lawn and in the aisles!

BMC TICKET INFORMATION

Individual tickets for all 2023 BMC Summer Festival performances are available for purchase at brevardmusic.org/tickets or by calling **828.862.2105**. The Box Office at Whittington-Pfohl Auditorium – on the Brevard Music Center Campus at 349 Andante Lane – is now open. BMC Box Office hours are Monday through Saturday, 10:00 AM to Intermission and Sundays from 12:00 PM to Intermission.

Lawn tickets* are available for all performances at Whittington-Pfohl Auditorium. All lawn patrons must have a valid ticket. With a valid student ID, students 18 and older may sit on the lawn free of charge. Children 17 and under may sit on the lawn free of charge* with a paying adult. Children and Student Tickets are available for \$15 for children 6-17 years of age.* Students 18 and older receive a 50% discount for tickets inside Whittington-Pfohl Auditorium.* Children under 6 are not permitted inside Whittington-Pfohl Auditorium, Parker Concert Hall or at Scott Concert Hall at the Porter Center.

*(Please note: *Discounted Lawn Tickets for students and children **cannot** be purchased online. Please call the Box Office at 828.862.2105 for tickets. Complimentary and discounted tickets for students and children **are not available** for Opening Night, Season Finale, Bryan Sutton, Patti LuPone, Revolution: The Music of the Beatles, Tommy Emmanuel, Audra McDonald and Béla Fleck.)*

ABOUT BREVARD MUSIC CENTER | SUMMER INSTITUTE & FESTIVAL

Founded in 1936, the Brevard Music Center stands as one of this country's premier summer classical music training programs and festivals. Each summer, over 700 gifted students come to the Music Center from across the United States and around the world to study with a distinguished faculty and renowned guest artists. Brevard's hallmark is the powerful sense of community that re-emerges each year as faculty and students present inspiring concerts and events to summer audiences.

For more information, visit brevardmusic.org, "like" the Brevard Music Center on [Facebook](#), follow @brevardmusic on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#), stream season highlights via [SoundCloud](#), and visit the Brevard Music Center [YouTube](#) channel to enjoy performances from previous festival seasons.

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