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Cinderella, Mahler, and GRAMMY Legends Take the Stage at Brevard Music Center

BREVARD, N.C. (July 3, 2025) — This week at Brevard Music Center's Summer Festival offers audiences a mix of classic storytelling, sweeping symphonic works, and singer-songwriter soul, with opera, Mahler, and GRAMMY-winning artists all sharing the spotlight.

On Thursday, July 10, at 7:30 p.m., the Janiec Opera Company presents *Cinderella*, a fresh take on the fairy tale by composer **Pauline Viardot**, filled with wit, charm, and lyrical beauty. The opera returns for a Saturday matinee on **July 12 at 2 p.m.**, conducted by **Emily Jarrell Urbanek** and directed by **Dean Anthony**.

On **Friday**, **July 11**, **at 7:30** p.m., Artistic Director **Keith Lockhart** conducts the Brevard Music Center Orchestra in **Mahler's Symphony No. 7**, an epic work that journeys through shadow and light.

Saturday night's BMC Presents concert features Patty Griffin and Rickie Lee Jones—two GRAMMY Award—winning singer-songwriters known for their poetic voices and storytelling. An Evening with Patty Griffin and Rickie Lee Jones begins at 7:30 p.m. that evening, July 12.

The week closes on **Sunday**, **July 13**, **at 3** p.m., **with Lockhart conducting** the Brevard Sinfonia in **Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 2**, featuring **BMC Artist Faculty pianist Norman Krieger**. The program also includes *Elmer Gantry Suite* by **GRAMMY–winning composer and BMC Artist Faculty member Robert Livingston Aldridge**, as well as *Mathis der Maler* by Hindemith.

Earlier in the week, BMC Artist Faculty offers two chamber concerts at Parker Concert Hall: **Bridge Piano Quintet on Monday, July 7**, and **An Evening with Schubert on Wednesday, July 9**.

Brevard Music Center's Summer Festival features more than 80 performances across classical, chamber, opera, jazz, and American roots music. For tickets and a full schedule, visit brevardmusic.org or call 828-862-2105.

About Brevard Music Center

The **Brevard Music Center (BMC)** is one of the nation's premier summer music training programs and festivals. Each summer, it welcomes nearly 1,000 gifted students of all ages, with a broad national reach and growing international participation.

Under Keith Lockhart's artistic direction, BMC presents **over 100 public performances**, including **orchestra**, **opera**, **chamber music**, **jazz**, **bluegrass**, and **film with live orchestra**.

For nearly nine decades, BMC has provided exceptional training for young musicians who study with principal players from major symphonies, GRAMMY-winning composers, and world-renowned conductors and soloists. Legendary artists such as Yo-Yo Ma, Itzhak Perlman, Wynton Marsalis, Joshua Bell, Renée Fleming, and Béla Fleck have performed on BMC's stages, reinforcing its tradition of musical excellence.

Beyond its celebrated summer festival, BMC's **Parker Concert Hall Series** offers world-class performances year-round, enriching the local cultural landscape. **Learn more at brevardmusic.org**.

The 2025 Brevard Music Center Festival Season Sponsors are Jacquelyn and Bruce Rogow.

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