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BLOCK



UPDATE: CONCERT & EVENT POSTPONEMENTS DUE TO COVID-19

March 17, 2020

Dear Patrons and Stakeholders:

West Michigan Symphony is committed to the health and safety of our audience members, volunteers, musicians and staff, and to operating with the community's best interests foremost.

On March 11, Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer declared a state of emergency due to the first diagnosed cases of COVID-19 (the coronavirus) in Michigan. Two days later, she announced a ban on public events and gatherings of 250 or more people. [Executive Order 2020-5](#), signed by Governor Gretchen Whitmer on March 13, prohibits all events over 250 through Sunday, April 5.

Michigan's Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Joneigh S. Khaldun of the Dept. of Health and Human Services, was even more explicit: "Large gatherings, conferences and sporting events of 100 or more should be canceled or postponed."

Accordingly, we are announcing the following event postponements at this time:

- WMS concert scheduled for Friday, March 13 (**Introducing Sujari Britt**) at the Frauenthal Center
- **Sujari Britt** solo cello recital scheduled for Saturday, March 14 at the Block
- Joint concert of **West Michigan Symphony Children's Choir and Debut Strings** scheduled for Sunday, March 15
- Wednesday March 18 **Movies+Music** screening of **Pink Floyd's *The Wall*** at The Block
- **Click Clack Moosic** concert scheduled for Saturday, March 21 at 10:30 a.m. at The Block
- **House of Hamill** celtic fiddle concert scheduled for Saturday, March 28 at The Block

We are working to reschedule these events and will keep you apprised. Please hold onto your tickets, which will be honored for the rescheduled concert, or may be exchanged for a different performance. At this point, we have made no changes beyond Sunday, April 5. Please watch this page for updates.

Sincerely,

Andrew Buelow | Executive Director