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Events on Sale Thursday, February 4

NEW EVENTS

A Year with Frog and Toad. Sun., April 24, 3pm, Wheelock Family Theatre. $29 (reg. $32). Waking from hibernation in the early spring, the perky Frog and the worrywart Toad celebrate and rejoice in the differences that make them unique and special. These two best-friends plant gardens, swim underwater, rake leaves, go sledding, bake cookies, and learn to appreciate each other’s distinct qualities. Part vaudeville, part make-believe, all charm, A Year With Frog and Toad tells the story of a friendship that weathers all seasons. A delightful story based on the picture books by Arnold Lobel, this musical adaptation is a treat for all ages; children and the child within. Purchase March 24.

Big Apple Circus: The Grand Tour. Sun., April 10, 12:30pm. 1 City Hall Plaza, Boston. $38/side ringside (reg. $47) ~ save $9/ticket. The Big Apple Circus’s THE GRAND TOUR, a circus extravaganza set in the 1920s, includes ships, trains, automobiles, and airplanes serving as the backdrop for breathtaking acts of wonder! Acts include the Dominguez Brothers’ Wheel of Wonder; Zuma Zuma Acrobatts; Energy Trip (hand balancers) and many more, including clowns, jugglers, acrobatts, and aerialists, from Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, and North and South America. Show runs 1 hour and 50 minutes including a 20-minute intermission. Purchase by March 10.

Boston Antheneaum Library Art & Architecture Tour. Sat., April 2, 2:00pm. $10/pp. Join us for an hour-long tour focused on the architectural history of the Athenæum’s building and on the institution’s fine arts collection. The Athenæum’s collection of fine art is one of the most significant to have been formed in the United States in the first half of the nineteenth century. The tour will highlight select paintings and sculptures from the collection on view throughout the building. Participants will also receive a gift bag of goodies to enhance this tour experience. Purchase by March 18.

Brad Mehldau Trio (Jazz Pianist). Fri., April 15, 8pm, Berklee Performance Center. $32/orchestra (reg. $37). Presented by World Music. Called “the most influential jazz pianist of the last 20 years” (The New York Times), Brad Mehldau combines rigorous artistry, eclectic musical tastes, and breathtaking improvisational capabilities. Known for his unique, intense live performances, Mehldau forges his own path, embodying the essence of jazz exploration, classical romanticism, and pop allure. His highly intuitive trio, with Larry Grenadier on bass and Jeff Ballard on drums, juxtaposes stripped-down, emotionally direct ballads with densely packed abstract compositions. "Universally admired as one of the most adventurous pianists to arrive on the contemporary jazz scene,” (The New York Times).

Boston Red Sox 2016 Season.

Sun., June 19 vs. Seattle Mariners, 1:35pm
Right Field Roof Box 41: $66
Bleacher 42: $36

Sat., July 2 vs. Los Angeles Angels, 4:05pm
Right Field Roof Box 41: $82
Bleacher 42: $44

Sat., July 9 vs. Tampa Bay Rays, 4:05pm
Right Field Roof Box 39: $82
Bleacher 42: $44

Sat., July 23 vs. Minnesota Twins, 7:10pm
Right Field Roof Box 39: $82
Bleacher 39: $44

Sun., Aug. 14 vs. Arizona Diamondbacks, 1:35pm
Right Field Roof Box 41: $66
Bleacher 38: $36

Sat., Oct. 1* vs. Toronto Blue Jays, 4:05pm
Right Field Roof Box 35 & 37: $60
Bleacher 41: $33

Sun., Aug. 28 vs. Kansas City Royals, 1:35pm
Right Field Roof Box 41: $60
Bleacher 41: $33

Mon., Sept. 14 vs. Baltimore Orioles, 7:10pm
Right Field Roof Box 39: $38
Bleacher 42: $22

(*Last weekend Big Papi plays at Fenway)
BSO Family Concert: Wicked Awesome, April 30, 12noon, Symphony Hall. $22/adult; children under 18 are free. Program includes Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra (BYSO); Marta Zourd, conductor; and Matt Roberts, magician. Pre-concert activities, including an instrument playground and instrument demonstrations, take place from 10:30am-11:30am. Purchase by March 31.

BSO: Dutilleux, Rachmaninoff, Tchaikovsky, Debussy & Ravel, Sat., April 23, 8pm, Symphony Hall. $54/1st balcony. In the final concerts of the 2015-2016 season, Andris Nelsons and the BSO are joined by soprano Kristine Opolais for two Russian-language pieces; Rachmaninoff’s lovely Letter Scene from Tchaikovsky’s opera *Eugene Onegin*. The larger part of the program is devoted to French orchestral music. Henri Dutilleux’s *Métaboles* continues the BSO’s commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the composer’s birth. Dutilleux’s music, though unique, drew strongly on that of his great predecessors, Ravel and Debussy. Debussy’s *La Mer* evokes the constant dynamic change of the sea. Ravel’s dreamlike *La Valse* is a kind of elegy for Europe's Belle Epoque, which ended with the onset of World War I. Purchase by March 24.

Hockey East Finals 2016. Sat., March 19, 7pm, TD Garden. Loge (corner/end): $37.50 (reg. $41.50). Upper Balcony: $18 (reg. $21.50). The 32nd Annual Hockey East Championship Tournament will be played at the TD Garden on March 18-19, 2016. Semifinalists will face-off at the Garden on Friday, March 18, with the winners playing for the Lamoriello Trophy the following night, Saturday, March 19. The winner of the conference tournament receives an automatic berth in the NCAA Division I Ice Hockey Championship Tournament. Purchase by Feb. 26.

World Figure Skating Championships 2016: Pairs Free Skate/Awards, TD Garden. Sat., April 2, 12:54pm, Pairs Free Skate/Awards. $32.50/upper balcony (reg. $34.50 + Ticketmaster fees). In 2016, the eyes of the world will turn to Boston when 200 of its greatest figure skaters come to the TD Garden to compete for the prized title of World Champion. The ISU World Figure Skating Championships®, the world’s most important annual skating competition, is coming to Boston for the first time in its 130-year history. Don’t miss it! Purchase by Feb. 26.

Events Still Available

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, Sat., March 19, 8pm, Citi Performance Arts Center Wang Theatre. $72/orchestra (reg. $75). The Celebrity Series appearance with Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater began its relationship with Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater with a single night engagement in 1968. Since that time the annual Celebrity Series appearance by Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater has become a citywide event celebrating the best of modern dance and the relationship between Boston and this remarkable cultural treasure. "You know the dancers can do anything, but the visible evidence can leave you reeling" (The New Yorker). Purchase by Feb. 19.

August Wilson’s How I Learned What I Learned, Sun., March 20, 7pm, Huntington Theatre. $44 (reg. $75) ~ save $31/ticket! In this solo show, the late Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright August Wilson shares stories about his first few jobs, a stint in jail, his lifelong friends, and his encounters with racism, music, and love as a young poet in Pittsburgh's Hill District. Directed by Todd Kreidler and featuring Eugene Lee, both longtime Wilson collaborators, this theatrical memoir charts one man's journey of self-discovery through adversity, and what it means to be a black artist in America. “Complex and surprisingly funny, a memoir of the playwright’s life, laced with the voice of the poet he always was.” – Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. Purchase by Feb. 19.

Bach St. John Passion (Handel and Haydn Society), Sun., March 13, 3pm, Symphony Hall. $20/2nd balcony (reg. $22). No composer ever expressed such aching sorrow or ever captured the agony of the crucifixion as did Johann Sebastian Bach. With emotional intimacy and dramatic power, Bach's *St. John Passion* is a musical monument that never fails to move the listener. With Nicholas Muliroy, tenor; Matthew Brook, bass-baritone; Sonja DuStoit Tangblad, soprano; and Emily Marvosh, contralto. Purchase by Feb. 12.

Boston Flower and Garden Show: Nurtured by Nature, March 16-20, Seaport World Trade Center, Boston. $17 (reg. $20). Leave the gray winter weather behind with Boston’s biggest horticultural happening ~ "a spa for the winter-weary soul"! This year’s theme, Nurtured by Nature, will strive to inspire with the benefits of mind and body in creating and maintaining glorious landscapes, caring for houseplants, arranging flowers, and the planting and harvesting of edible plants. Show features food gardening/edible gardening (including demonstrations and programs on beekeeping and backyard chicken-raising); the Amateur Floral Design Division with dozens of vibrant floral arrangements celebrating how Nature has inspired literature, music and art through the centuries; and lectures and book signings by garden writers Toval Martin (“The Indestructible Houseplant”) and Charlie Nardozzi (“Foodscaping”). Purchase by March 18.
Boston Celtics 2015-16 Season!
12 games available for the 2015-16 Season.
TD Garden, Boston.

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**Harlem Globetrotters: 90th Anniversary Tour**, Sat., March 12, 7:30pm, TD Garden. $37/Loge 19 (reg. $41)—great seats! Celebrate with the world famous Harlem Globetrotters’ their 90 years of providing smiles, sportsmanship and service to millions of people worldwide! Known worldwide as the Ambassadors of Goodwill™, the Globetrotters will be giving back even more during their 90th year with The Great Assist program. Stars of the team will leave a mark in communities across North America with acts of goodwill during the tour. Great fun for the whole family. Purchase by Feb. 12.

**Matilda**, Sat., June 26, 6:30pm, Boston Opera House. $82/orchestra. Winner of 50 international awards, including four Tony Awards, *Matilda the Musical* is the story of an extraordinary girl who, armed with a vivid imagination and a sharp mind, dares to take a stand and change her own destiny. Based on the beloved novel by Roald Dahl, *Matilda* continues to thrill sold out audiences of all ages on Broadway and in London’s West End. The *Wall Street Journal* says, “The makers of Matilda have done the impossible—triumphantly! It is smart, sweet, zany and stupendous fun.” “Welcome to the deliriously amusing, heartwarming, headspinning world of Matilda The Musical. You won’t want to leave.” – Bloomberg News. Purchase by May 13.

**Rosario La Tremendita & Mohammad Motamedi Qasida** (Flamenco meets Persian Classical Music), Sun., March 20, 7:30pm, Berklee Performance Center. $32/orchestra (reg. $37). The Qasida project is an extraordinary musical encounter between the young Spanish singer Rosario “La Tremendita” and her Iranian peer Mohammad Motamedi. Renowned for accompanying flamenco dancer Belen Maya, Rocío Molina, Rafaela Carrasco, and many others, “La Tremendita” explores the roots of flamenco in the richly varied poetic songs and improvisations of Motamedi, the young rising star of Persian classical music. They will be accompanied by six musicians on guitar, Iranian kemanche (a bowed string instrument), percussion, and palmas (hand clapping). Presented by World Music. Purchase by Feb. 19.

**SKI DISCOUNTS 2015-2016**

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**Sound of Music**, Sun., April 10, 6:30pm, Boston Opera House. $82/orchestra. The spirited, romantic and beloved musical story of Maria and the Von Trapp Family will once again thrill audiences with its Tony, Grammy and Academy Award-winning Best Score, including “My Favorite Things,” “Do-Re-Mi,” “Climb Ev’ry Mountain,” ”Teddies” and the title song. Featuring music by Richard Rodgers, lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, says three-time Tony Award-winning Director Jack O’Brien: “We plan to look more closely at this remarkable work—to tear off the varnish of the past and reveal one of the great, fresh stories of musical theater.” A treasure for the whole family! Purchase by Feb. 26.
Swan Lake (Boston Ballet). 2 performances:
- Sat., April 30, 7:30pm, Boston Opera House. $107/orchestra (reg. $110 + ticketing fees). Purchase by March 31.
- Sat., May 7, 1:00pm, Boston Opera House. $95 (reg. $110 + ticketing fees). Purchase by April 7.
From the very first note of Tchaikovsky's romantic and ageless score, audiences are transported into a world where enchanted swans rise from a misty lake and a love-struck prince is deceived by a cruel and dangerous beauty. Virtuoso dancing abounds, from the mesmerizing corps of elegant swans, the colorful national dances, and incredible athleticism and grace of Odile's fouettés (whip turns), to the heartbreaking finale when Siegfried's unintentional betrayal and Odette's broken heart dooms the swans to their tragic fate. Hailed as "luminous" by The Wall Street Journal. See it again or for the first time—do not miss this limited engagement as Swan Lake won't return to the stage for several years.

The Wizard of Oz, Sat., April 16, 5pm, Citi Performing Arts Center Wang Theatre. $66/orchestra. Click your heels together and join Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion, Dorothy and her little dog Toto, as they journey through the magical land of Oz to meet the Wizard and obtain their hearts' desires. Watch out for the Wicked Witch of the West and her winged monkeys as you rediscover the real story of Oz in this fantastic musical treat for the whole family. "Brilliant... A ten-star production if ever there was one!" (The Sunday Telegraph). "Enchanting, exciting and electrifying!! The Wizard of Oz is 5-star family fun!" (ETalk CTV). Purchase by March 1.

MOVIE DISCOUNTS
- AMC $9.50 (No Disney)
- Chunky's $6.75
- Jordan's IMAX $11
- Landmark $9
- Regal Premiere $9.00
- Showcase $8.75

MUSEUMS
- Children's Museum $9
- Isabella Stewart Gardner $6, 1 free entry per MIT ID
- Museum of Science $7
- Harvard MNH $7.50
- New England Aquarium $11
- Old Town Trolley $32
- Omni Theatre at Museum of Science $6
- Planetarium at Museum of Science $6
- Peabody Essex Museum $10
- Peabody Museum of Archeology $7.50
- Skywalk Observatory $12
- Taza Chocolate $3

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