

Pasadena Symphony & POPS

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MICHAEL FEINSTEIN & PASADENA POPS END SUMMER CONCERT SEASON WITH PATTI AUSTIN, LIZ CALLAWAY AND AARON TVEIT

Pasadena CA - Michael Feinstein and the **Pasadena POPS** announce the final concert of the summer with a thrilling selection of music with **New York New York!** on **September 6** at the **LA Arboretum**. Grammy Award winner and multi-platinum recording artist Patti Austin, Liz Callaway (*Anastasia & Cats*) and Aaron Tveit (*2012 film Les Misérables, Graceland, and Catch Me If You Can*) capture the snap swagger and energy of the iconic city with Leonard Bernstein's *Candide, On the Town, West Side Story* and *Wonderful Town*; Duke Ellington's "Don't Get Around Much Anymore," "Don't Mean a Thing," "Im Beginning to See the Light," "Satin Doll," "Take the A Train," plus gems by Stephen Sondheim ("Broadway Baby" & "What More Do I Need"), Cole Porter ("I Happen to Like New York") and more.

Michael Feinstein delivers his celebrated trademark of popular standards, rare finds and a world premiere sprinkled throughout the program with Alfred Newman's 1953 arrangement of "Street Scene" from the film *How to Marry a Millionaire*, the original 1934 Broadway arrangement of Autumn in New York, a world premiere of Oscar Levant's Nothing Sacred- restored from the original film soundtrack and music sketches and Harry Warren's American Barcarolle (first performance since 1941) and 42nd Street (recreated from his original 1932 arrangement).

The family-friendly concert will be held at the Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden. The grounds are open for picnicking and dining at 5:30 p.m. and performances begin at 7:30 p.m. Among many venue amenities, audiences can enjoy pre-ordered gourmet dining packages for onsite pickup from Julienne, Marston's and Claud & Co. The food court will host mouthwatering food trucks plus specialty ice creams by Choctál. The experience is now even more convenient with two full beverage centers serving fine wines, beer, coffee and soft drinks plus exclusive hotel packages for POPS patrons at Pasadena's landmark Langham Huntington Hotel. Patrons may also visit the Pasadena Humane Society's Mobile Adoption Unit, which will be on-site prior to each concert with animals in need of a forever home as part of the Pups for POPS program.

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Audiences get the ultimate outdoor concert experience: large LED video screens, superior sound quality and the high-quality production value that is a signature of the Pasadena POPS. The best outdoor dinner party in town comes with spacious circular table seating with fine linens, or lawn seating for those who want to bring a blanket – each option carries on the tradition of picnic-dining with your family and friends. The Arboretum is located at 301 North Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, CA. Single tickets start at \$20 and are available by calling the box office at 626.793.7172, online at PasadenaSymphony-Pops.org or at the Arboretum on the day of the concerts.

IF YOU GO:

What: The Pasadena POPS presents “New York! New York!”

Michael Feinstein, Conductor

Patti Austin, vocalist

Liz Callaway, vocalist

Aaron Tveit, vocalist

When: September 6, 2014. Gates open at 5:30 p.m. and concert begins at 7:30 p.m.

Where: The LA County Arboretum | 301 N Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, CA 91007

Cost: Advance Tickets start at \$20 for lawn seating, and are \$25 the week of the concert. Table seats start at \$42.

Dining: Guests are welcome to bring their own food and drink or visit one of the many gourmet food vendors on-site.

Parking: Free parking is available at the Westfield Santa Anita shopping center with free non-stop shuttles to the main gate.

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ABOUT THE PASADENA SYMPHONY ASSOCIATION

Recent Acclaim for the Pasadena Symphony and POPS

“The Pasadena Symphony signals a new direction...teeming with vitality...dripping with opulent, sexy emotion.” Los Angeles Times.

“...full of pulsating energy from first note to last... the strings were lushly resonant, the wind principals were at the top of their games, and the brass rang out with gleaming vigor.” – Pasadena Star News.

Formed in 1928, the Pasadena Symphony and POPS is an ensemble of Hollywood's most talented, sought after musicians. With extensive credits in the film, television, recording and orchestral industry, the artists of Pasadena Symphony and POPS are the most heard in the world.

The Pasadena Symphony and POPS performs in two of the most extraordinary venues in the United States: Ambassador Auditorium, known as the *Carnegie Hall of the West*, and the luxurious Los Angeles Arboretum & Botanic Garden. Internationally recognized, Grammy-nominated conductor, David Lockington, serves as the Pasadena Symphony Association's Music Director, with performance-practice specialist Nicholas McGegan serving as Principal Guest Conductor. The multi-platinum-selling, two-time Emmy and five-time Grammy Award-nominated entertainer dubbed "The Ambassador of the Great American Songbook," Michael Feinstein, is the Principal Pops Conductor, who succeeded Marvin Hamlisch in the newly created *Marvin Hamlisch Chair*.

A hallmark of its robust education programs, the Pasadena Symphony Association has served the youth of the region for over five decades through the Pasadena Youth Symphony Orchestras (PYSO) comprised of five performing ensembles, with over 250 gifted 4th-12th grade students from more than 50 schools all over the Southern California region. The PYSO Symphony often performs on the popular television show *GLEE*.

The PSA provides people from all walks of life with powerful access points to the world of symphonic music.

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