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**ATLANTA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA BRINGS NEW FILMS TO LIFE WITH ADDITIONS TO  
MOVIES IN CONCERT LINEUP  
DISNEY'S *HOCUS POCUS* IN CONCERT – OCT 30 & NOV 1, 2026  
*ELF* IN CONCERT – NOV 28 & 29, 2026**

**ATLANTA** – Today, the **Atlanta Symphony Orchestra (ASO)** released the newest film additions to the Movies in Concert series, presented by Invesco QQQ. This Halloween season, the ASO reimagines **Disney's *Hocus Pocus* in Concert** on **October 30 and November 1, 2026** followed by ***Elf* in Concert on November 28 & 29, 2026** to kick off the holiday season. Both film scores were created by the brilliant composer John Debney. The Movies in Concert series will premiere its fall season on September 26 & 27 with the already announced film program of *La La Land* in Concert. Tickets for *La La Land* in Concert are currently available but are moving quickly. Tickets for **Disney's *Hocus Pocus* in Concert and *Elf* in Concert** are available at [ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com) beginning **Friday, March 20 at 10:00AM**.

These concerts showcase the full-length movie on a 40-foot screen in Symphony Hall, while the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra performs the score live. The Movies in Concert series offers a unique symphonic experience with an informal atmosphere, welcoming audiences of all ages. For more information on the series, visit [aso.org/movies](https://aso.org/movies).

**Disney's *Hocus Pocus* in Concert**

The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra will present *Disney's Hocus Pocus in Concert Live to Film* with John Debney's score performed live by the orchestra along to the film. The concert will be led by conductor Stuart Chafetz.

*Emmy Award®-winning and GRAMMY®-nominated composer John Debney created the score for Disney's Halloween comedy film, Hocus Pocus.*

Accidentally conjured on Halloween night in modern-day Salem, three seventeenth-century witches known as the Sanderson sisters, plot to steal the life essence from the town's children to ensure their own eternal life. The diabolical sisters are comically outwitted by three prankster kids and aided by Thackery Binx, a boy transformed into a cat centuries earlier for interfering with the witches. Released on July 16, 1993, and directed by Kenny Ortega, the spooky comedy stars Bette Midler (Winifred), Sarah Jessica Parker (Sarah), Kathy Najimy (Mary), Omri Katz (Max), Thora Birch (Dani), and Vinessa Shaw (Allison).

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**Disney's *Hocus Pocus* in Concert is presented by the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Stuart Chafetz and will be performed at Atlanta Symphony Hall on Friday,**

**October 30 at 7:30pm and Sunday, November 1, 2025, at 3:00pm. For tickets and further information visit [aso.org/movies](http://aso.org/movies).**

### **Elf in Concert**

Nobody spreads Christmas cheer quite like Buddy the Elf! This holiday season, [CineConcerts](#) and Warner Bros. Discovery Global Experiences announce another once-in-a-lifetime concert event: ***Elf in Concert***, bringing the timeless holiday classic to Atlanta Symphony Hall. It will feature the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra performing every note from **John Debney's** (*The Passion of the Christ, Iron Man 2, The Jungle Book, Hocus Pocus*) heartwarming score while the entire film is projected on a 40-foot HD screen. Directed by **Jon Favreau** (*The Lion King, The Mandalorian, Rudy, Iron Man, Iron Man 2*) and starring **Will Ferrell** the film is considered by many to be one of the best holiday movies of all time.

**John Debney**, composer and conductor explains, "I'm so thrilled to be working with Warner Bros. Themed Entertainment and CineConcerts on the upcoming *Elf in Concert*. Writing the score was a true highlight of my career. Seeing the joy that the music and film brings to audiences each year is truly wonderful. *Elf* has really become a modern classic and bringing this into concert halls worldwide is an absolute honor. I very much look forward to presenting this unforgettable concert experience to live audiences worldwide!"

In *Elf*, Buddy was accidentally transported to the North Pole as a toddler and raised to adulthood among Santa's elves. Unable to shake the feeling that he doesn't fit in, the adult Buddy travels to New York, in full elf uniform, in search of his real father.

For further information, visit [www.cineconcerts.com](http://www.cineconcerts.com).

***Elf in Concert* is presented by the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and conducted by Justin Freer on Saturday, November 28 at 7:00pm and Sunday, November 29, 2026, at 3:00pm. For tickets and further information, visit [aso.org/movies](http://aso.org/movies).**

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### **About Disney Concerts**

Disney Concerts is the concert production and licensing division of Disney Music Group, the music arm of The Walt Disney Company. Disney Concerts produces concerts and tours, and licenses Disney music and visual content to symphony orchestras, choruses and presenters on a worldwide basis. Disney Concerts' concert packages include a variety of formats, such as "live-to-picture" film concerts, and themed instrumental and vocal compilation concerts that range from instrumental-only symphonic performances to multimedia productions featuring live vocalists and choirs. Featuring concerts from the largest movie franchises in the world – from Walt Disney Pictures, Walt Disney Animation Studios, Marvel Studios, Lucasfilm, Pixar and 20<sup>th</sup> Century Studios – current titles include the Star Wars Film Concert Series, Toy Story, Disney Princess: The Concert, Coco, The Lion King, Up, Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas, The Muppet Christmas Carol and Infinity Saga Concert Experience.

### **About CineConcerts**

CineConcerts is one of the leading producers of live and digital music experiences performed with visual media, and continues to redefine entertainment. Founded by Producer/Conductor Justin Freer and Producer/Writer Brady Beaubien, CineConcerts will engage over 4.8 million people worldwide in concert presentations in over 3,000 performances in 48 countries through 2025, and recently launched CineConcerts +PLUS- a global digital network and app suite with hundreds of exclusive podcast episodes and produced content. CineConcerts continues to work with some of the most

prestigious orchestras and venues in the world including the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Cleveland Orchestra, London Philharmonic, Los Angeles Philharmonic, New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, Philharmonia Orchestra, and more. Recent and current live and digital concert experiences include *Elf in Concert*, *The Pinball Concert (Digital)*, *The Polar Express in Concert*, *Rudy in Concert*, *The Passion of Christ in Concert*, *The Da Vinci Code in Concert*, *The Harry Potter Film Concert Series*, *Gladiator Live*, *The Godfather Live*, *It's A Wonderful Life in Concert*, *DreamWorks Animation in Concert*, *Star Trek: The Ultimate Voyage 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert Tour*, *Breakfast at Tiffany's in Concert*, and *A Christmas Dream Live*.

### **About Invesco QQQ**

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### **About the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra**

Under the leadership of Music Director Nathalie Stutzmann, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra (ASO) offers live performances, media initiatives, and learning programs that unite, educate and enrich our community through the engaging and transformative power of orchestral music experiences. The ASO engages the diverse international community of our city, bringing people together in harmony—including our youngest citizens, with extensive opportunities for youth and families to experience the power of live orchestra music.

The Orchestra's range and depth are featured in more than 150 concerts each year, including the flagship Delta Classical Series, Movies in Concert, Family Concerts, Coca-Cola Holiday series, and many community and education concerts. In addition, the ASO presents many vibrant, wide-ranging events and artists through its Delta Atlanta Symphony Hall Live presentations. The ASO also performs regularly with the ASO Chorus, originally founded by Robert Shaw, and currently under the direction of Norman Mackenzie. The Chorus is featured on nine of the ASO's 27 Grammy® Award-winning recordings.

For more information, visit [www.aso.org](https://www.aso.org)

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