Date: Saturday, May 23rd

Time: 2:00-2:50pm – Pre-Concert Activities
      2:30pm – Doors to hall are open
      3:00-4:00pm – Concert

Cost: $12, general admission to choose whichever seat makes you comfortable.
      Tickets will be fully refundable for guests who purchased ahead of time and feel they can
      not make it to the concert on May 23rd.

Location: Ferguson Center for the Arts
          1, Avenue for the Arts
          Newport News, VA 23606

Directions and Parking: Can be found at www.FergusonCenter.org/visitors/directions-parking/

Venue: Christopher Newport University’s Ferguson Center for the Arts is a KultureCity certified
        venue, ensuring that programs and events that the Center hosts are sensory inclusive.
        This new initiative will promote an accommodating and positive experience for all guests
        and fans with a sensory issue.

The certification process entailed the staff at the Center being trained by leading medical
professionals on how to recognize those guests and fans with sensory needs, and how to
handle a sensory overload situation. Patrons will also be able to have use of a dedicated sensory room for those who may need a quieter and more secure environment.

Description of Show

Celebrate Memorial Day with the Virginia Symphony! This one-hour, full-orchestra concert will include patriotic favorites alongside recognizable American classics. The program will feature works from beloved composers including John Phillips Sousa, John Williams, Aaron Copland, and Harold Arlen (“Over the Rainbow”). Featuring baritone Larry Jay Giddens and a short dance performance by Mixed Abilities in Motion from TRDance Center.

- **Pre-Concert Activities:** Pre-concert activities will include a variety of crafts and participatory activities aimed at stimulating the senses in a variety of ways. Attendees will be able to choose the activities most appropriate for their preferred levels of sensory stimulation.
  - Organizations participating in the pre-concert activities will include:
    - TRDance
    - Tidewater Music Therapy
    - Peninsula Fine Arts Center
    - Arts Inclusion Network
    - And more!

- **What to wear/bring:** There is no official dress code for this performance, so feel free to wear whatever makes you feel the most comfortable. Along with your tickets and personal items, we allow any electronic devices needed for accommodation purposes throughout the hall. During the performance we ask that the volume is turned low and to be conscious of the volume while pieces are being performed. These devices may not be used for taking flash photography or audio/video recording purposes.

- **Quiet Space:** The Ferguson Center for the Arts has a quiet space available where lighting can be dimmed and a large monitor has a live stream of the performance.

- **Performance Modifications:** House lights will remain at 50% during the performance and audience members are welcome to leave and re-enter the hall at any time during the performance. The pieces selected for this performance include those with smooth transitions and an even flow between energetic, and calm and relaxing.

Accessibility Services and Accommodations

- The Ferguson Center was built under the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS) and meets the standards set forth in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- Wheelchair accessible, limited mobility and companion seating is available in various locations throughout the venue.
- As a courtesy, a limited number of complimentary wheelchairs are available at all performances. Speak to a member of House Management upon arrival.
- Handicap Parking is available in the parking garage.
• An FM assisted listening system, including headsets and induction loop devices, is available at performances on a first-come, first-served basis. Speak to a member of House Management upon your arrival.
• Large print programs will be available for this performance.
• An American Sign Language interpreter will be provided upon request. Requests must be made by Friday, May 15th.
• Communication Access Real-Time Translation (CART) captioning will be available upon request. Requests must be made by Friday, May 15th.

Photography and Videos
During your visit, you may be photographed by staff of the Virginia Symphony Orchestra, our contract photographer, or the media. For more information, please review our crowd release policy.

If you have any questions while at the Ferguson Center for the Arts, please see one of our trained ushers, volunteers, or staff members. We will be ready to assist you at any time during the lobby activities and performance.

Please visit https://virginiasymphony.org/open-doors/ for more information.