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Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra announces 2015 Marsh *Symphony on the Prairie* Season

12-week concert series features the ISO performing classical favorites from Vivaldi, Tchaikovsky and Mussorgsky as well as special tributes to the 1970s, the music of Journey and John Williams

Special presentations include Classical Mystery Tour: Music of the Beatles, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy and The Hit Men and tributes to Elvis, Frank Sinatra and Genesis

INDIANAPOLIS –The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra’s 34th season of Marsh *Symphony on the Prairie* will take ticket holders on a musical journey across five centuries in the span of just 12 weeks this summer.

The season lineup unveiled today includes six weekends headlined by the ISO and additional concerts featuring musical guests, including the return of Big Bad Voodoo Daddy.

The ISO will bring back its themed nights, which honor and recognize heroes and those that serve the community: the military, scouts, police and firefighters, nurses and teachers. In addition, a special celebration of Indiana’s colleges and universities will take place during “College & Alumni Night” for the Marsh *Symphony on the Prairie* opening concert.

Discount value packs, premium parking and season table subscriptions are on sale now. Marsh Supermarkets has served as the Title Sponsor for Marsh *Symphony on the Prairie* since the first concert at Conner Prairie in Fishers, Indiana, on June 5, 1982. Erie Insurance returns as the Premier Sponsor for the summer series.

2015 Marsh *Symphony on the Prairie* Schedule:

June 19-20

College & Alumni Night, Friday, June 19

70s: Disco Days & Boogie Nights

Jack Everly, Conductor

Opening weekend at Marsh *Symphony on the Prairie* puts the 1970s front and center. No matter what crowd you ran with during that era, Jack Everly's got the music to match—from disco anthems like "I Will Survive" and monster rock hits like "Bohemian Rhapsody" to the singer-songwriter tunes like "American Pie."

June 26-27

Pictures at an Exhibition

Fawzi Haimor, Conductor

Nareh Arghamanyan, Piano

Experience the soaring music of Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1 and Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition* performed by the ISO under Fawzi Haimor, resident conductor of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra.

July 2-4

Salute to America's Military – all three nights!

Star Spangled Symphony

Alfred Savia, Conductor

Celebrate America's birthday with the ISO's annual patriotic performance and salute to our military service members. All the traditional favorites return, including a spectacular fireworks show to cap off each concert.

July 10-11

Police and Firefighter Night – Friday, July 10

The Music of Journey

Brent Havens, Conductor

Guest conductor Brent Havens is back with a symphonic rock tribute to the band Journey. The ISO will have you swaying to some of classic rock's greatest hits like "Open Arms," "Don't Stop Believin,'" and "Any Way You Want It."

July 17-18

Teacher Night – Friday, July 17

Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons*

Daniel Meyer, Conductor

Anne Akiko Meyers, Violin

While enjoying the evening sunset, travel through the idyllic sounds of Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons*, one of the best known and most beloved of the composer's works.

July 24-25

Scout Night – Friday, July 24

Music of John Williams

Stuart Chafetz, Conductor

The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra performs all the hits by the maestro of cinema, John Williams. Williams wrote and composed music for more than 80 films including such classics as *Jaws*, *E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial*, *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, and the original *Star Wars* trilogy.

**The ISO does not perform in these concerts.*

*July 31-Aug. 1

Nurses Night – Friday, July 31

The Music of Genesis Starring Daryl Stuermer

Daryl Stuermer, guitarist for both Genesis and the Phil Collins Band, performs some of both groups' biggest hits in this concert with his own live band. Relive the music of the late 70s, 80s and 90s, including "I Can't Dance" and "Throwing it All Away."

*Aug 7-8

Classical Mystery Tour: Music of the Beatles

The Classical Mystery Tour is back with their annual *Marsh Symphony on the Prairie* tribute to the band that changed rock and roll forever. Be sure to make your way to the stage to dance and sing along to your favorite Beatles classics.

*Aug. 14-15

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy

They're back! Big Bad Voodoo Daddy returns and brings its high-voltage sound and feel-good energy to the stage. You are guaranteed a show that blends jazz, swing, Dixieland and big band into a night to remember for the whole family.

*Aug 21-22

Steve Lippia's Centennial Celebration: A Frank Sinatra Tribute

Steve Lippia, Vocalist

Nothing says classy and cool like the songs of Frank Sinatra. Join crooner Steve Lippia for an evening of magical "Ol' Blue Eyes" hits, including "Strangers in the Night," "Summer Wind" and "My Way."

*Aug. 28-30: ***Watch for a Special Concert Announcement!***

*Sept. 3-4

The Hit Men: Studio Legends of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons

Back by popular demand, the former performing and recording members of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons take audiences on a walk down memory lane to the 60s, 70s and 80s with mega hits "Oh What a Night (Dec. '63)," "Sherry," "Bad Bad Leroy Brown," "You're so Vain," "Mony Mony" and many more.

*Sept. 5-6

The King: A Tribute to Elvis

Elvis Presley changed American music forever, and this tribute concert honors that legacy. These are no Elvis impersonators, but four singers dedicated to honoring the entire range of Elvis' music with new arrangements of iconic rock 'n' roll classics.

10-Ticket Value Packs & Table Subscriptions on Sale Now

Until March 27, **Value Packs** (10 concert tickets) can be purchased for \$168, which is the equivalent of 10 shows for the price of six. The price increases to \$196 beginning March 28.

Value Pack tickets may be used for any concert, including *Star Spangled Symphony* and other premium shows.

Season table subscriptions (seating up to 10) may be purchased for \$585 for the entire season, a 35 percent discount compared to single table prices. Discounted premium parking subscriptions are also available for \$234 for the season, providing easy-access parking for one show of each concert.

Value Packs may be purchased in person at the ISO Box Office, by phone or online. Table subscriptions and premium parking can be purchased in person at the Box Office or by phone.

Single Tickets & Tables on Sale Monday, April 20

Single tickets for Marsh *Symphony on the Prairie* concerts will go on sale Monday, April 20, and can be purchased the following ways:

- **Marsh Stores – Present Your Fresh Idea Card and Save!** Discount adult tickets may be purchased at all Indiana Marsh locations for \$24, with the presentation of a Marsh Fresh Idea Card.
- **Online at www.IndianapolisSymphony.org.** Discount concert tickets may be purchased at the ISO's website for \$25/adults and \$12/children.
- **Conner Prairie Amphitheatre Gate.** Gate prices at the Conner Prairie Amphitheatre are \$29/adults and \$14/children.

Single tables can be purchased beginning April 20 and are priced at \$69 each.

Single tickets for premium concert weekends: For the *Star Spangled Symphony* and Classical Mystery Tour: Music of the Beatles concert weekends, advance single tickets can be purchased at Marsh and at the ISO Box Office for \$31/adults and \$12/children. Premium gate prices are \$35/adults and \$14/children. Premium tables are \$89 each.

Group Sales

Groups of 30 or more may purchase discounted tickets to Marsh *Symphony on the Prairie*. For group sales, contact ISO Group Sales Manager Margaret Henney at (317) 231-6788 or via email at mhenney@IndianapolisSymphony.org.

Information

For more information on all Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra indoor and outdoor presentations, contact the Hilbert Circle Theatre Box Office at (317) 639-4300, toll free (800) 366-8457, or online at www.IndianapolisSymphony.org.

Marsh Symphony on the Prairie – A Summertime Tradition since 1982

Since its inception in 1982, when 14-year-old violin sensation Joshua Bell made his professional orchestra debut in the inaugural concert, the Marsh *Symphony on the Prairie* series has grown from a few summer shows in its early days to now a 12-weekend series attended by more than 100,000 people each year. Marsh Supermarkets has been the Title Sponsor of the Marsh

Symphony on the Prairie series since day one – an unprecedented commitment to the ISO and to the community.

About Marsh Supermarkets

Headquartered in Indianapolis, Marsh operates 68 Marsh Supermarkets, 7 MainStreet Markets and 3 O'Malia's Food Markets in Indiana and Ohio, with 39 Indiana pharmacy locations. Marsh has the distinction of being the first grocery store in the world to use electronic scanners to ring up purchases.

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