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### San Diego Symphony Announces the 2026-27 Family and Symphony Kids Concert Series



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**San Diego, CA (February 13, 2026)** — The San Diego Symphony announces the 2026-27 Family Concerts Series and Symphony Kids Series, inviting families to experience the joy of live music together. Held at Jacobs Music Center in downtown San Diego, each concert pairs live instrumental music with hands-on activities, themed crafts, and engaging storytelling that brings the music to life for children and adults alike.

The **Family Concert Series**, designed for families with children ages 6–12, features the full San Diego Symphony Orchestra in three Saturday concerts at 11 a.m. Families will share in the excitement of live orchestral music through captivating stories, imaginative themes, and interactive moments that spark curiosity for all ages. The season includes **Trick or Treat Symphony** (Oct. 31), **Lunar New Year: Music in Full Bloom** (Feb. 6), and **Carnival of the Animals: Music on the Wild Side** (Mar. 6).

The **Symphony Kids Series**, created for children ages 0–5, introduces the instrument families of the orchestra through 30-minute, sensory-friendly concerts at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Developed in partnership with the San Diego State University Center for Autism, the series prioritizes accessibility and early listening experiences in a supportive environment. Pre-concert activities include crafts, coloring, reading, and instrument exploration in collaboration with ChIMES, KeyNote's early childhood music program. Accessibility supports include a designated quiet room, sensory kits upon request, and social stories to help families prepare in advance. This series includes **Meet the Strings: Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star** (Oct. 24), **Meet the Brass: March of the Toys** (Dec. 12), **Meet the Percussion: One, Two, Buckle My Shoe** (Feb. 13), **Meet the Winds: Peter and the Wolf** (Apr. 3).

**Subscription packages** for the Family Concert Series are just **\$78 for three concerts**, and Symphony Kids Series subscriptions are **\$48 for four concerts**.

For subscription prices and more information about the San Diego Symphony's 2026–27 family programs at the Jacobs Music Center, please visit [www.sandiegosymphony.org](http://www.sandiegosymphony.org).

#### Family Concert Series and Symphony Kids Series Programs Listings

##### Family Concerts

Saturday, October 31, 2026, 11 a.m.

##### **Trick or Treat Symphony**

San Diego Symphony Orchestra

Saturday, February 6, 2027, 11 a.m.

##### **Lunar New Year: Music in Full Bloom**

San Diego Symphony Orchestra

Saturday, March 6, 2027, 11 a.m.

##### **Carnival of the Animals: Music on the Wild Side**

San Diego Symphony Orchestra

##### Symphony Kids

Saturday, October 24, 2026, 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

##### **Meet the Strings: Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star**

Saturday, December 12, 2026, 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

##### **Meet the Brass: March of the Toys**

Saturday, February 13, 2027, 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

##### **Meet the Percussion: One, Two, Buckle My Shoe**

Saturday, April 3, 2027, 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

##### **Meet the Winds: Peter and the Wolf**

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