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## **The Cleveland Orchestra to perform free community concert at Cain Park**



*(Anthony Parnter. Photo credit: Dario Acosta)*

### **Conductor Anthony Parnter returns to conduct celebration of American music**

CLEVELAND— The Cleveland Orchestra is excited to announce it will perform a free community concert at Cain Park in Cleveland Heights on Wednesday, July 2, at 7 p.m., extending its legacy of sharing unforgettable musical moments with audiences beyond Severance Music Center.

Anthony Parnter returns to conduct after his recent standout appearance with the Orchestra for *Marvel Studios' Black Panther in Concert*. Known for his dynamic presence on the podium and versatility across musical genres, Parnter has conducted scores for acclaimed films like *Oppenheimer*, *Encanto*, *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever*, and *Creed III*.

The evening's program celebrates the rich tapestry of American music. The concert immediately sets a dynamic tone by opening with Leonard Bernstein's Overture to *West Side Story*. This is followed by Duke Ellington's *Sophisticated Lady*, showcasing the enduring elegance and complexity of jazz.

The Orchestra will present works by groundbreaking Black composers whose contributions helped shape the sound of American orchestral music, including Margaret Bonds's poignant Benediction from *Montgomery Variations* and the triumphant finale from Florence Price's Symphony No. 1. William Grant

Still's lyrical fourth movement from his Symphony No. 1 continues this tribute, translating traditional African American musical idioms through the symphonic form.

Audiences will also be swept into the world of film with Bernard Herrmann's *Scène d'amour* from *Vertigo* and John Williams's Superman March — a thrilling conclusion to an evening under the stars.

This special summer concert marks just the fourth time The Cleveland Orchestra has performed at Cain Park and the first time since 1957, offering a unique opportunity to enjoy the artistry of one of the world's greatest orchestras in this intimate and inviting community setting.

The Cleveland Orchestra thanks our Community Access Partner, Key Bank, for their generous support.

### **Ticket Information**

Tickets will be available at the [Cain Park Box Office](#) beginning June 11. They are free and can be secured by calling 216-371-3000 or by visiting the box office in person at 14591 Superior Rd. in Cleveland Heights. The box office is open Wednesday through Saturday from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 3 p.m. No online tickets are available for this concert. There is a limit of eight tickets per patron.

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### **Calendar Listing:**

#### **The Cleveland Orchestra at Cain Park**

Wednesday, July 2, 2025, at 7 p.m.

Cain Park, Cleveland Heights

The Cleveland Orchestra

Anthony Parnter, *conductor*

BERNSTEIN Overture to *West Side Story* (arr. Peress)

ELLINGTON *Sophisticated Lady* (arr. Gould)

BONDS Benediction from *Montgomery Variations*

PRICE Fourth Movement from Symphony No. 1

STILL Fourth Movement from Symphony No. 1, "Afro-American"

HERRMANN *Scène d'amour* from *Vertigo*

JOHN WILLIAMS Superman March from *Superman*

*All programs and artists are subject to change.*

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