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**LEXINGTON SYMPHONY PRESENTS  
MUSIC FROM THE MOVIES**

*Evening concert featuring music written for the big screen  
will be preceded by free afternoon Community Music Festival*

*Lexington, Massachusetts . . .* On Saturday, May 14 at 8:00 p.m., Lexington Symphony and Music Director Jonathan McPhee will take the stage at Cary Hall to present the fifth concert of the Symphony's 2015–2016 season, "Music from the Movies." Exploring the vital role that music plays in setting the scene and telling a story via the medium of film, the concert will feature some of the best musical compositions ever written for the movies.

A number of favorites by well-known film composer John Williams will be performed, including the theme song from the recent blockbuster *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*, the instantly recognizable — and hair-raising — *Suite from Jaws*, *The Raider's March* (the Indiana Jones theme), and *Schindler's List Suite*. This year's program will also feature Alan Silvestri's *Back to the Future*, Vangelis Papathanassiou's *Chariots of Fire*, and Max Steiner's *Tara: A Short Tone Poem for Orchestra* from *Gone with the Wind*, among others. Lexington resident and singer Ajay Koul will also perform a selection of songs from Bollywood films as a special guest.

A pre-concert Conductor's Talk with Music Director Jonathan McPhee, "Imagine Movies Without Music," will be offered at 7:00 p.m. Combining musical examples with biographical information about the composers whose work will be performed, the Conductor's Talk aims to educate the audience and enhance the listening experience.

Tickets for this concert, which are priced at \$50/\$40/\$30 and \$15 for students, are available online at [www.lexingtonsymphony.org](http://www.lexingtonsymphony.org), by telephone at 781-523-9009, or at the door at Cary Hall (based on availability).

Earlier in the day from 2:00–5:00 p.m. at Cary Hall, Lexington Symphony will present a free, family-friendly Community Music Festival — a new Lexington tradition created to showcase diverse talents and cultures and bring people of all ages together to celebrate music. In addition to a Lexington Symphony quintet performance of *Peter and the Wolf*, the festival will feature music and dance performances from a number of participating local performing arts organizations, as well as family-friendly music-related activities such as an instrument “petting zoo” and the opportunity to wield a conductor’s baton at “You Can Be a Conductor.” The Community Music Festival is free and open to the public; no tickets are required.

Both the Music from the Movies concert and the Community Music Festival are part of Revolutionary Revelry, a month-long celebration of arts, culture, and recreation in Lexington.

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*Lexington Symphony is a professional orchestra of devoted musicians who share a passion for classical music, a commitment to community engagement, and a dedication to exacting standards of performance. Offering six concerts each season, the Symphony reaches thousands of area youth annually with its award-winning educational outreach programs, including its program for third and fourth graders, Orchestrating Kids Through Classics.™*