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2016 Princeton Festival - 3 Weeks of Musical Comedy, Opera, Jazz, Film, Dance...

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Stephen Sondheim's musical 'A Little Night Music' runs for 10 performances. The silent film masterpiece 'The Passion of Joan of Arc' will be shown, accompanied by a live performance of Richard Einhorn's oratorio 'Voices of Light', written especially for the film. Also featured: the dazzling dance group Complexions Contemporary Ballet, the Concordia Chamber Players, baroque orchestra and choral concerts, an organ recital by Kristiaan Seynhave, and more.

PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW :

- A cappella vocal jazz featuring the ensembles The Fonic and Break from Blue Collar, Saturday, June 4, Taplin Auditorium in Fine Hall, Princeton University.
- Voices of Light: a live performance of an oratorio accompanying a screening of The Passion of Joan of Arc, the 1928 film for which it was written. The presentation is given in partnership with The Princeton Symphony Orchestra (PSO) and Princeton's Garden Theatre and features The Princeton Festival Chorus, four soloists, the Notre Dame Vocale, and the PSO. Thursday, June 9, Princeton University Chapel.
- Concordia Chamber Players: vocal works by Britten and Bax featuring tenor Nicholas Phan, plus the Brahms Piano Trio #1, Friday, June 10, Miller Chapel, Princeton Theological Seminary.
- Musical Comedy: A Little Night Music, June 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26, Matthews Acting Studio, Lewis Center for the Arts, Princeton University, 185 Nassau Street.
- Piano Competition for Young Artists, Finals, Sunday, June 12, Clark Music Center, The Lawrenceville School.
- Opera: Britten's Peter Grimes, Saturday, June 18, Thursday, June 23, Sunday, June 26, Matthews Theatre, McCarter Theatre Center, Princeton.
- Organ Concert: Symphonic works for organ by Franck and Widor, performed by Kristiaan Seynhave, Sunday, June 19, Princeton University Chapel.
- Jazz Vocalist: Cécile McLorin Salvant with trio, Sunday, June 19, Berlind Theatre, McCarter Theatre Center, Princeton.
- Baroque Music: Works by Veracini, Bach, Vivaldi, Torelli, and Heinichen, Princeton Festival Baroque Orchestra, Wednesday, June 22, Miller Chapel, Princeton Theological Seminary.
- Choral Concert: Conducting masterclass participants with Dr. Jan Harrington, in four Bach cantatas, Saturday, June 25, Miller Chapel, Princeton Theological Seminary.
- Dance: Complexions Contemporary Ballet: Saturday, June 25, Berlind Theatre, McCarter Theatre Center, Princeton.

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