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# 5TH ANNUAL TANGLEWOOD IN THE CITY RETURNS TO THE COMMON PARK IN PITTSFIELD ON JULY 29 TO CELEBRATE MUSIC AND COMMUNITY IN THE HEART OF THE BERKSHIRES

**PITTSFIELD, MA., JULY 11, 2023** – Mill Town Foundation, the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and the City of Pittsfield have announced that Tanglewood in the City will take place at The Common in downtown Pittsfield on Saturday, July 29, for the 5th consecutive year. The rain date is Sunday, July 30.

Designed to appeal to audiences of all ages, Tanglewood in the City offers familyfriendly activities including live performances by local artists, food trucks, and vendors and culminates in a screening of a Boston Symphony Orchestra performance on a large video wall. Mill Town Foundation, Boston Symphony Orchestra, and the City of Pittsfield have proudly partnered on this free, community event since 2019. Preconcert activities begin at 5:00 p.m., and the Tanglewood concert screening begins at 7:30 p.m.

Live pre-concert activities include performances by Wandering Dance Society, Kids 4 Harmony, Barrington Stage Company's Celebration of Black Voices, and the Eagles Trombone Ensemble. A complimentary session of *Yoga on the Lawn* will be provided by Berkshire Health Systems. Additional vendors, local organizations, and makers will also be on site including food trucks BB's Hot Spot and La Chalupa Y La Enchilada, and ice cream from Cravin's. The screened concert will feature BSO Music Director Andris Nelsons conducting the orchestra in Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4 and Wynton Marsalis's *Herald, Holler, and Hallelujah* and guest soloist Daniil Trifonov performing Prokofiev's Piano Concerto No. 3.

Tanglewood in the City is produced by Mill Town Foundation, Boston Symphony Orchestra, and the City of Pittsfield. Additional support for this event is provided by Berkshire Bank, Unistress Corporation, and media partner *The Berkshire Eagle*.

### Quotes

"We look forward to sharing an exclusive video of the BSO's Opening Night at Tanglewood program with residents of Pittsfield and other communities. We are so grateful to Mill Town Foundation and the City of Pittsfield for sponsoring what promises to be a great evening of live and recorded music and family-friendly entertainment on Pittsfield Common on July 29." **Jeffrey D. Dunn**, Interim Eunice and Julian Cohen President and CEO, BSO

"Mill Town Foundation is thrilled to partner with the Boston Symphony Orchestra and the City of Pittsfield once again for the 5th annual Tanglewood in the City. This event is equally a celebration of the world's best orchestra as it is of a thriving and beautiful community in the heart of the Berkshires." **Andy Wrba**, Program Manager, Mill Town Foundation.

"The City of Pittsfield is excited to co-host Tanglewood in the City for the fifth consecutive year. I look forward to joining residents and visitors at the Pittsfield Common for an extraordinary evening of remarkable performances from the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Thank you to the Mill Town Foundation, Berkshire Bank, Greylock Federal Credit Union and the BSO for making this event possible year after year." **Mayor Linda Tyer**, City of Pittsfield.

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#### **About Mill Town Foundation**

Mill Town Foundation (MTF) is a private operating foundation based in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, the heart of Berkshire County. The community development and philanthropic focus is to enable meaningful growth and opportunity for community members to live well, work well, and play. MTF provides insight, support, and funding to local community groups, cultural institutions, and initiatives that drive broad impact on the region, with a particular focus on the Pittsfield, MA community. MTF partners with organizations, supports programs, and teams with community partners to create, lead, and execute impactful projects to further our collective mission goals.

## About the Boston Symphony Orchestra and Tanglewood

Since 1936 Tanglewood has been the summer home of the Boston Symphony Orchestra and the Boston Pops. In 1940, the Berkshire Music Center (now the Tanglewood Music Center) began educating the next generation of world-class classical musicians, vocalists, composers, and conductors. With the opening of the Linde Center in 2019, the Tanglewood Learning Institute offers an intimate venue for musical and speaker programs that link to relevant themes across disciplines that range from the visual arts and film to history, philosophy, and current events. With 546 pristine acres straddling Lenox and Stockbridge, Tanglewood offers an extraordinary natural setting for music, and today Tanglewood annually draws over 350,000 visitors. Each season offers not only a vast quantity of music, but also a vast range of musical forms and styles, all of it presented with a regard for artistic excellence that makes the festival unique. More information about the 2023 Tanglewood schedule may be found at <u>Tanglewood.org</u>.

### **Further Information**

Details and updates are available at <u>milltownfoundation.org</u> and at <u>https://www.bso.org/tanglewood-in-the-city</u>

Please check ahead in the event of inclement weather; rain date is July 30.

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