# **BOSTON POPS**



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# BOSTON POPS ADDS NEW DATE TO ITS SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE

SEE STAR WARS: THE STORY IN MUSIC ON THURSDAY, SEPT. 21 AT 8:00 P.M. AT SYMPHONY HALL

In response to overwhelming demand, a fifth September Pops concert has just been added on Thurs., Sept. 21 at 8 p.m.

Tickets now available at **BostonPops.org** or 888-266-1200

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To view an online press kit for the Sept. Pops concerts, <u>click here</u>.

This September, pre-BSO season Symphony Hall activity spotlights the **Boston Pops**, under the direction of **Keith Lockhart**, which will present two special programs: 
Star Wars: The Story in Music, which includes music from all nine Star Wars films, on Sept. 21 (newly added date!), Sept. 23 and Sept. 24. In addition, A John Williams

Tribute, featuring beloved film score music and exclusive interview footage with the Boston Pops Laureate Conductor, will be presented on Sept. 22 and 23. Due to

popular demand for the four previously announced dates, a fifth date (Sept. 21) has just been added.

These two programs anticipate the **Pops' upcoming Japan tour**, which will encompass seven concerts in Tokyo and Osaka, from Oct. 6–13. For the September performances of *A John Williams Tribute* in Symphony Hall, the Boston Pops and Lockhart are excited to welcome two talented young artists who will also appear with the Pops in Japan: violinist **Moné Hattori** and pianist **Hayato Sumino**, who are making their Boston debuts. More details about the Pops' Oct. 2023 Japan tour may be found in the <u>online press kit</u>.

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## CONCERT LISTING: SEPTEMBER 2023 SYMPHONY HALL PERFORMANCES BY THE BOSTON POPS

Thursday, Sept. 21, 8 p.m. (newly added performance!)

Saturday, Sept. 23, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 24, 2 p.m.

**Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra** 

Keith Lockhart, conductor

Star Wars: The Story in Music

Join Keith Lockhart and the Boston Pops as they perform the most extraordinary music from all nine Star Wars movies—tracing the sprawling saga, gripping adventure, and unforgettable characters. This is a must for all *Star Wars* fans and film music aficionados. Audience members are encouraged to dress as their favorite *Star Wars* characters.

Friday, Sept. 22, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 23, 2 p.m.

**Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra** 

Keith Lockhart, conductor

Moné Hattori, violin [Sept. 22 only]

Hayato Sumino, piano [Sept. 23 only]

A John Williams Tribute

Experience the awe and excitement of cinema's greatest music featuring the scores of the Boston Pops' own conductor laureate John Williams, led by Keith Lockhart and including film excerpts and exclusive interview footage featuring Williams discussing his work.

#### **How to Purchase Tickets**

Tickets may be purchased through <u>BostonPops.org</u>, by calling 888-266-1200, or by visiting the Symphony Hall Box Office. Please note the Sept. Pops concerts will have symphony-style seating.

### **Accessibility**

Accessible seats and other accommodations are available for all patrons. Accommodations can be made by calling 617-638-9431 or emailing <a href="mailto:access@bso.org">access@bso.org</a>. For more information, visit <a href="mailto:bso.org/accessibility">bso.org/accessibility</a>.

### **Sponsorships**

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