

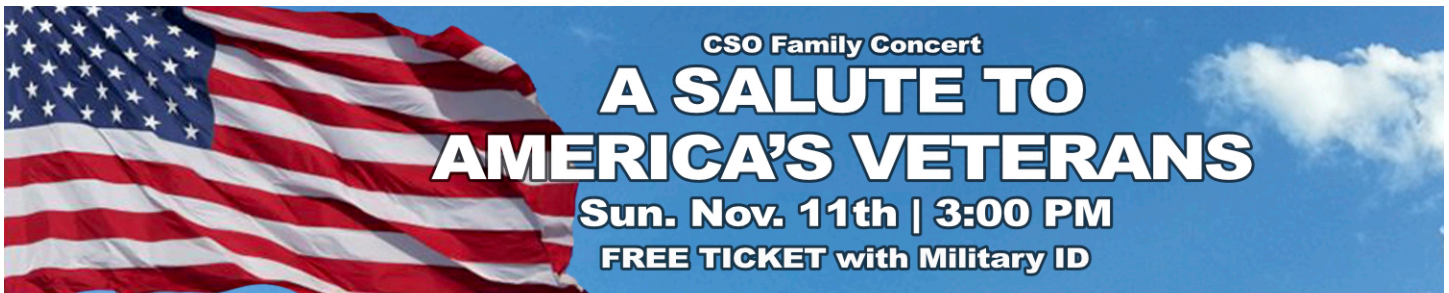
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“A MUSICAL TRIBUTE TO OUR VETERANS”

COLUMBUS, GA, October 30, 2018 - The Columbus Symphony Orchestra (CSO) is pleased to present “**A Salute to America’s Veterans**” on **Sunday, November 11, 2018**. Patriotic music of all kinds will be dedicated to honoring the service of all of those who have given so much in service to our country. Military veterans, active duty members and their families will receive complimentary tickets to the event as we celebrate them and the sacrifice they make for our nation. Concertgoers will be invited to a reception in the lobby prior to the concert to kick off our afternoon of saluting America’s Veterans.



Maestro George Del Gobbo states, "The Columbus Symphony is delighted to be able to offer this concert as a big "Thank You" to the women and men who serve, and have served, our country. Too often these folks are taken for granted. We should shower them with gratitude at every opportunity. I speak not only as the conductor of the orchestra, but also as a former member of the US Army Band stationed at Fort Myer, VA. Come join us as we offer a musical "Thank You" card to these amazing citizens!"

Hear favorite military standards such as *The Star Spangled Banner*, *Armed Forces March*, and *Stars and Stripes Forever* as well as popular music of past eras celebrating Americana. The audience will be dancing in their seat to hit tunes such as *A Salute to Big Bands*, *Georgia On My Mind*, *New York, New York!*, *Heard it Through the Grapevine* and *It Don't Mean a Thing (If It Ain't Got That Swing)*. From the reverent *A Call to Worship* to the humorous *An American Birthday Card*, this concert offers music for people of all ages!

“*A Salute to America’s Veterans*” is presented by TSYS, Georgia Public Broadcasting, Boomer 102.5, and 103.7 LiteFM.

Join us for our **Veterans Day Reception at 2:00 PM** in the RiverCenter lobby prior to the performance. All ticket holders are invited to enjoy sweets and beverages as we celebrate our local Veterans.

Tickets are \$5 to \$39 and may be purchased at the RiverCenter Box Office, Monday through Friday, 10 AM to 5:30 PM or one hour prior to the performance (enter doors located on Broadway). Student tickets are available for \$10. Tickets for children (ages 0-12) are \$5. Receive one free ticket with your Military ID or DD214 from the Box Office. For more information call the RiverCenter Box Office at 706.256.3612 or visit us online at www.csoga.org.

The Columbus Symphony Orchestra, formed in 1855, is the second orchestra founded in the nation and the first founded in Georgia. The CSO, under the direction of George Del Gobbo, has long been considered one of the Southeast's premier musical ensembles. The CSO's performance venue at RiverCenter for the Performing Arts, Bill Heard Theatre, seats 2,000 patrons and provides a state-of-the-art visual and acoustic experience.

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