



OMAHA
SYMPHONY

Program Notes

2026/27 SEASON

Symphony of Sports

September 27, 2026 | 2 PM
Holland Performing Arts Center

Serena Reuten, Conductor | Denise Chapman, Concert Host | Nick Zadina, Sports Announcer

JOHN WILLIAMS Olympic Fanfare & Theme

SERGEI PROKOFIEV *Classical Symphony, op.25*
(Symphony No.1)
IV. Finale: Molto vivace

GIOACHINO ROSSINI Finale from the Overture to
Guillaume Tell (William Tell)

DMITRI SHOSTAKOVICH *Festive Overture, Op.96*

HARRY PECHA *Dear Old Nebraska U*
(arr. Pettit)

JIM SAKER *UNO Fight Song*
(arr. Pettit)

GORDON RICHMOND *The White and the Blue:*
(orch. Hanna) *Creighton University School Song*

ALBERT VON TILZER Take me Out to the Ball Game
(orch. Rosenhaus)

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN /
PETER SCHICKELE Beethoven Symphony No. 5
Mvt. 1 Sportscast: New Horizons in
Music Appreciation



This printed program is a condensed version.

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Featured Artists



SERENA REUTEN

Serena Reuten is a German-Canadian conductor currently serving as the Associate Conductor of the Omaha Symphony.

Over the last year she has led over 50 performances for over 15,000 students and audience members across a range of repertoire, including Masterworks, Community, Family, and education concerts such as Carnegie Hall's Link Up series.

Between 2024-2026 she also joins the third cohort of the Orchestre Métropolitain's Orchestral Conducting Academy mentorship program under the guidance of Yannick Nézet-Séguin. In 2025, she was selected to join the next cohort of Women in Musical Leadership through Tapestry Opera. Recent activities include participating in the 2025 Fiskars Conducting Academy lead by the LEAD! Foundation in Finland, 2025 Tanglewood Conducting Seminar, and the 2024 Järvi Conducting Academy in Pärnu, Estonia. She has served as guest assistant conductor for the Toronto Symphony and National Arts Centre Orchestra, as well as guest conductor with the Winnipeg Symphony during their annual Winnipeg New Music Festival. In 2023, she was the inaugural recipient of the Bernhard Gueller Conducting Fellowship with Symphony Nova Scotia as well as one of CBC's 30 under 30 Classical Musicians. Over the past few summers she has also attended several international conducting masterclasses, studying under such conductors as Alexander Shelley, Cristian Măcelaru, and Jukka-Pekka Saraste. Serena completed her graduate studies in orchestral conducting at the Eastman School of Music with Neil Varon. She holds degrees in flute performance from the University of Ottawa and University of Montreal, and in her spare time enjoys learning languages, gardening, and dancing.

WORD SEARCH

SYMPHONY	BASKETBALL
BASS	FOOTBALL
CONDUCTOR	VIOLIN
HOOP	MUSIC
SOCCER	CELLO
MASCOT	STRIKE
TOUCHDOWN	
NOTE	

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