



The Texas Tenors

May 23–24, 2026 | 7:30 p.m. & 2:00 p.m.

Holland Performing Arts Center

Ernest Richardson, conductor | The Texas Tenors, vocal group

STAFFORD SMITH, arr. Damrosch

The Star-Spangled Banner

BERNSTEIN

The Magnificent Seven

VARIOUS

Coming to America/Mountain Music

DI CAPUA/CAPURRO

‘o Sole mio

HINE (arr. Wingfield)

How Great Thou Art

LØVELAND (arr. Kummer)

You Raise Me Up

GREENWOOD (arr. The Texas Tenors)

God Bless the USA

MANCINI (arr. McKenzie)

Moon River

NORTH (arr. The Texas Tenors)

Unchained Melody

PUCCINI (arr. Kummer)

Nessun Dorma

INTERMISSION



COPLAND	<i>Hoe-Down from Rodeo</i>
VARIOUS	<i>The Show Must Go On</i>
THE TEXAS TENORS	<i>Boot Daddy</i>
SHEERAN	<i>Perfect</i>
MERRILL & RUBICAM	<i>I Want to Dance with Somebody</i>
WEBER	<i>The Phantom of the Opera Overture</i>
WEBER	<i>Music of the Night</i>
SCHÖNBERG/BOUBIL & KRETZMER	<i>Bring Him Home</i>
GRIGG	<i>Freedom</i>
TYLER (arr. Waldin)	<i>Dream On</i>
BERLIN (arr. McDonald)	<i>God Bless America</i>

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Featured Artists



Ernest Richardson is in high demand as conductor, composer, arranger, organizational leader and inspirational speaker. His versatility finds him within one season conducting Stravinsky's *Firebird Suite* or Broadway artists in the works of Leonard Bernstein, a live-to-movie production of *Harry Potter*, facilitating strategic decision-making for leading arts organizations, or training young musicians for the passionate, persistent pursuit of perfection. He has been at the forefront of symphonic video/live music productions, conducting live-to-movie scores of the *Harry Potter* series with CineConcerts, *Indiana Jones*, *Jurassic Park*, *Back to the Future*, *Pirates of the Caribbean*, *Singin' in the Rain*, *Casablanca*, *Ratatouille*, *Star Trek* (2009), the Charlie Chaplin silent film *The Gold Rush*, and *Star Wars*. In addition to his post in Omaha, Richardson holds the position of music director and principal conductor of the Steamboat Symphony Orchestra in Steamboat Springs, Colorado. During his tenure, the organization has grown from a community orchestra to a resident professional orchestra, attracting the finest musicians from the Front Range of Colorado. He is also the founding artistic director and CEO of the Rocky Mountain Summer Conservatory.



The Texas Tenors are the most successful music group and third highest selling artist in the history of America's Got Talent! Since appearing on the series in 2009, JC, Marcus and John have released five studio albums, three PBS Specials, five DVDs, multiple singles and two children's books that have earned them impressive recognition including three Emmy Awards, The Gelett Burgess Award for Excellence in Children's Literature and the distinction of being Billboard Magazine's #10 Classical Artist in the World. The tenors' most recent albums *Outside the Lines*, *Rise* and *A Collection of Broadway and American Classics* all debuted at #1 on the Billboard Charts. These classically trained, versatile tenors have performed more than 2500 concerts around the world including headline shows in Las Vegas, China and a 24-city tour of the United Kingdom.

Recently they were honored to be included among the top 50 acts in the world and the only vocal group from the United States invited to appear on NBC's *America's Got Talent: The Champions*, All-stars edition. Tonight you will hear music from their new #1 album along with rousing patriotic favorites and everything from Country to Classical!

The Texas Tenors will have their merchandise available at this concert including their new Billboard #1 CD, *Outside The Lines*.

To find out more information about The Texas Tenors and their current touring schedule, please visit www.thetexastenors.com

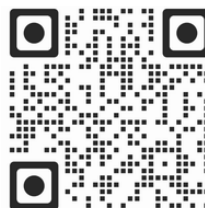
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John Hagen has been described as “astonishing, a superb tenor of deep musicality.” From opera house to concert hall, John has performed in some of the most prestigious venues in this country. He made his Lincoln Center debut in New York City in Teatro Grattacielo’s mounting of Mascagni’s *Guglielmo Ratcliff*. John has performed a vast array of operatic roles ranging from Alfredo in *La Traviata*, to the title role of Otello for Cleveland Opera on tour. He is highly regarded for his performances of the Verdi Requiem and Beethoven’s Ninth Symphony, having performed these works with

numerous symphonies across the US. He has received many awards throughout his career including finalist in the New Jersey Opera Association of Verismo Opera competition held at Carnegie Hall, Metropolitan Opera Auditions Regional Finals, and winner of numerous other competitions. In 2021, John’s solo CD of Italian Opera arias entitled *My Passion* debuted at #1 on the Traditional Classical Billboard Chart.

He has taught at the University of Northern Iowa, Wartburg College, and the University of Nebraska.



Marcus Collins was born in a small town and has been a performer his entire life and is honored to be a member of The Texas Tenors for the last 16 years. In 2020, Marcus produced and recorded his first solo album *Brand New Life* which debuted at #12 on the Billboard Pop Albums Chart. Beyond music, he has worked extensively as an actor with appearances in more than 100 episodes of television and 25 films including *P.S. I Love You*, *Delirious*, *30 Rock*, *Sex and the City*, recurring roles on *One Life To Live*, *As The World Turns*, and as a Guest VJ on MTV. In his free time, Marcus enjoys spending

time with his family, watching college basketball, going to movies and raising his two bulldogs Stella and Joe Joe. After being diagnosed in early 2024 with Congestive Heart Failure due to a Viral Cardiomyopathy, Marcus would like to dedicate this and every performance to heart health awareness and encourages everyone to live life to the fullest, not take a single day for granted, and to have regular check ups with your doctor.



JC Fisher has entertained audiences around the world for over 25 years. In high school, he loved singing in church and furthered his singing aspirations at Wichita State University where he earned his Bachelor’s Degree in Music. JC performed various opera roles including Rodolfo in *La Boheme*, Tamino in *The Magic Flute*, Ernesto in *Don Pasquale* and even was Miss America’s duet partner at the 1997 Miss Kansas Pageant. The pageant was actually his very first paid singing gig, but turned out to be his best yet for another reason. There, he met his future wife, Jennifer, and mother of his three

children. After college, JC traveled to Lucca, Italy where he sang in the Puccini festival under the direction of acclaimed Italian maestro Lorenzo Malfatti. In an effort to travel the world, and share his talents with an international audience, he began performing as a guest entertainer on cruise ships. This is also how he met his best friend, Marcus Collins. When not performing, JC enjoys watching his kids play sports, date nights with his wife, and tinkering around on cars. Although JC lived many years in Texas, he now calls Kansas City home. Go Chiefs!