

Raiders of the Lost Ark in Concert with the Minnesota Orchestra

Sarah Hicks, conductor

Friday, October 27, 2017, 8 pm | Orchestra Hall
Saturday, October 28, 2017, 8 pm | Orchestra Hall

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A LUCASFILM LTD production
A STEVEN SPIELBERG film



Starring Harrison Ford
Karen Allen
Paul Freeman
Ronald Lacey
John Rhys-Davies
Denholm Elliott

Music by **John Williams**

Executive Producers: **George Lucas and Howard Kazanjian**

Screenplay by **George Lucas and Philip Kaufman**

Story by **George Lucas and Howard Kazanjian**

Produced by **Frank Marshall**

Directed by **Steven Spielberg**



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Tonight's performance lasts approximately 2 hours and 20 minutes, including a 20-minute intermission.

*Tonight's program is a presentation of the complete film **Raiders of the Lost Ark** with a live performance of the film's entire score, including music played by the orchestra during the end credits. Out of respect for the musicians and your fellow audience members, please remain seated until the conclusion of the credits.*



production credits

Raiders of the Lost Ark – Film with Orchestra produced by Film Concerts Live!, a joint venture of IMG Artists, LLC and The Gorfaine/Schwartz Agency, Inc.

Producers: Steven A. Linder and Jamie Richardson • Production Manager: Rob Stogsdill • Production Coordinator: Sophie Greaves • Worldwide Representation: IMG Artists, LLC • Supervising Technical Director: Mike Runice • Technical Director: Nick Pierce • Music Composed by John Williams • Music Preparation: Jo Ann Kane Music Service
 Film Preparation for Concert Performance: Ramiro Belgardt • Technical Consultant: Laura Gibson • Sound Remixing for Concert Performance: Chace Audio by Deluxe

The score for *Raiders of the Lost Ark* has been adapted for live concert performance. With special thanks to: Paramount Pictures, Lucasfilm Ltd, Steven Spielberg, Frank Marshall, John Williams, Alan Bergman, Howard Roffman, Chris Holm, Chip McLean, Darryl J. Franklin, Dan Butler, Pat Woods, Mark Graham and the musicians and staff of the Minnesota Orchestra.



a note from the composer



In creating the character Indiana Jones, George Lucas and Steven Spielberg introduced an enduring and much loved figure into the pantheon of fictional movie heroes. *Raiders of the Lost Ark* was illuminated by the superb comedy-action performance of Harrison Ford and enlivened by the spirited direction of Steven Spielberg.

Speaking for myself, I must say that the experience of composing the music for this film, and for the subsequent installments in the series, was a very happy one, and offered me a wild and truly joyous ride. I'm especially delighted that the magnificent Minnesota Orchestra has agreed to perform the music this evening in a live presentation of the movie. And I know I speak for everyone connected with the making of *Raiders* in saying that we are greatly honored by this event...and I hope that tonight's audience will experience some measure of the joy and fun we did when making the film more than 35 years ago.

Sarah Hicks, conductor



Sarah Hicks, the Minnesota Orchestra's principal conductor of Live at Orchestra Hall, has led a broad range of programs since joining the Orchestra as assistant conductor in 2006. During the 2017-18 season, she will conduct Orchestra performances with Leslie Odum, Jr., Rufus Wainwright, Ben Folds, Pink

Martini, Cloud Cult and Cirque de la Symphonie, as well as film music concerts including *The Little Mermaid* and *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*. Away from Orchestra Hall, she has recently conducted the San Francisco Symphony, Cincinnati Pops Orchestra and San Diego Symphony, among other ensembles. More: minnesotaorchestra.org.

John Williams, composer

During his five-decade career, John Williams has become one of America's most accomplished and successful composers for film and the concert stage. He has composed music for more than 100 films, including all seven episodic *Star Wars* films, the first three *Harry Potter* films, *Superman*, *Memoirs of a Geisha*, *Home Alone* and *The Book Thief*. His 40-year partnership with director Steven Spielberg has resulted in many of Hollywood's most acclaimed and successful films. He has composed themes for four Olympic Games and has written numerous works for the concert stage. He served as music director of the Boston Pops Orchestra for 14 seasons and remains its Laureate Conductor. Among his many honors, he has received five Academy Awards and 50 Oscar nominations; the National Medal of Arts, the highest award given to artists by the U.S. Government; and a Life Achievement Award from the American Film Institute.