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Surprising musical adventures are in store for you in the Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra's highly-anticipated 56th season: "Expect the Unexpected!" Concert programs ranging from the Beatles and Elton John to Grieg and Brahms are sure to please a wide range of musical tastes, and special events throughout the season will infuse the concert experience with a celebratory flavor. The ESO's home at Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church offers a spectacular contemporary space in which to enjoy these not-to-be-missed performances with family and friends.

The season opener on October 1, 2016 at 7:00 pm, "The Beatles and Friends," features lavish orchestral arrangements of Beatles favorites and choral settings of music by the Beatles and Billy Joel, along with selections from Elton John's *The Lion King*. November brings "Brass Blowout II," showcasing music of Vaughan Williams, Verdi, Everson and Kalinnikov, with guest artist Gene Pokorny, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra principal tuba. In January, "1, 2, 3, 4 Baroque" offers glorious gems of the Baroque period by Vivaldi and Bach, performed by a harpsichord soloist, a cello duet, a flute, violin and harpsichord trio, and a violin quartet. Guitar virtuoso Colin Davin takes center stage in March when he joins forces with the ESO and members of the DuPage Dance Academy in "Latin Sensations," with music by Gershwin and Villa-Lobos, among others. The season ends in May with "Sibelius, Grieg & Brahms," a grand night of music featuring Grieg's Piano Concerto in A minor with pianist Adam Nieman, Brahms' Symphony No. 1 in C minor, and Stanger Young Artist Winner Karisa Chiu playing a movement from Sibelius' Violin Concerto in D minor.

Concert dates are:

The Beatles and Friends	Saturday, October 1, 2016, 7:00 pm
Brass Blowout II	Sunday, November 13, 2016, 3:00 pm
1, 2, 3, 4 Baroque!	Sunday, January 22, 2017, 3:00 pm
Latin Sensations	Saturday, March 11, 2017, 7:00 pm
Sibelius, Grieg & Brahms	Saturday, May 6, 2017, 7:00 pm

You can subscribe now for the 56th season of the Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra; patrons can choose packages of three to five concerts for any dates. Early bird subscriptions ranging in cost from \$90 to \$130, with savings of as much as 30% compared to single ticket prices, are available through June 15. Those who become ESO members by subscribing will receive a substantial discount from single ticket prices, discounts on additional single ticket purchases, free exchange of ticket dates for most concerts, and invitations to subscriber-only events. To become a member or request a season brochure, please call [630-941-0202](tel:630-941-0202) or visit www.elmhurstsymphony.org.