

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Kansas City Symphony to delay in-person attendance in accordance with Mayor Quinton Lucas order; will continue digital access to performances for Season Subscribers

KANSAS CITY, Mo. | January 14, 2021 — The Kansas City Symphony announced today that in-person seating for concerts performed at the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts will be delayed and will not begin on Sunday, January 17 as previously planned.

“As much as we were looking forward to once again performing in front of in-person audiences, we must take into account the most important element – keeping people safe,” commented KC Symphony Executive Director Danny Beckley. “The recent spike in positive test results in the metro area concerns us. Our decision to delay in-person audiences was made with deep consideration, and keeps us consistent with the recent extension of large gathering guidelines issued by Kansas City, Missouri Mayor Quinton Lucas.”

The Symphony has been working very closely with The University of Kansas Health System to develop safety measures for its musicians and staff. Also, the Kauffman Center and Symphony staff have worked closely with KCMO Health Department to develop plans to keep patrons safe when audiences do return to KC Symphony performances. “We have received very positive feedback from the health department on our workplace safety measures, and so we are delighted that we will still be able to perform,” adds Beckley. “We miss seeing our patrons in person, but they will be able to see everything we previously announced through our new streaming platform.”

The Symphony’s new digital streaming platform, [MySymphonySeat.org](https://www.mysymphonyseat.org), **will** debut this Sunday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m. (new, later time). KC Symphony’s season subscribers will have online access to view and listen to a live concert performance led by Music Director Michael Stern. An email will be sent to existing Classical and Pops Series subscribers within days outlining how to create an online streaming account and log-in. This exciting new venture is possible because of the generous support of many donors in our community. To become a Symphony subscriber, contact the Symphony Box Office at (816) 471-0400.

Danny Beckley continues. “We are doing everything possible to continue making music during this time. I am grateful that our subscribers and donors continue to stand by us, and these subscriptions and donations make it possible for us to do all of this performance activity. I strongly encourage all of our subscribers to take advantage of our new streaming offering, which is available to our season subscribers.

Many additional Classical and Pop Series performances will be streamed online at [MySymphonySeat.org](https://www.mysymphonyseat.org) in the weeks and months ahead. Please visit [kcsymphony.org/ticketing](https://www.kcsymphony.org/ticketing) for our current streaming schedules. In addition, Family Series content will be announced soon. The Symphony also will announce its concert offerings for April, May and June this February 2021.

Persons ticketed for in-person concert attendance during January and February should contact the Symphony Box Office at (816) 471-0400, Monday – Friday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. to reschedule their tickets or put the value of their tickets on account for future use.