John Williams
Composer

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VIRTUAL FAMILY CONCERT
JOHN WILLIAMS: MAESTRO OF THE MOVIES
2019-20 FAMILY MUSICAL MORNINGS SERIES

Roger Kalia, host
Richard Kaufman, conductor
John Williams, composer
Pacific Symphony

Music from films by John Williams, including:

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RAIDERS OF THE LOST ARK
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Live chat

Saturday, May 30, 2020 @ 11 a.m.
Virtual Concert
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Dear Friends,

Welcome to today’s virtual concert of “John Williams: Maestro of the Movies!”

Today we are going to celebrate the treasured film music of John Williams in an exhilarating performance featuring your favorite themes from “Harry Potter,” “Star Wars,” “Jurassic Park,” and more! This 45-minute online concert replaces the live Family Musical Morning series performance originally scheduled on May 30. Audiences of all ages will enjoy performances of selections from John Williams’ film scores.

In this program book, we are going to learn about the Brass instruments of the orchestra, some interesting facts about Composer John Williams, how movie sound effects are made, how to make movie crafts at home and create Musical Mad Libs.

I wish I could be with you in person at the concert hall, but until it’s safe to do so, we hope you enjoy this virtual concert “John Williams: Maestro of the Movies!”

Sincerely,

Roger

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SPOTLIGHT ON BRASS

Think about the sound a hair dryer makes, or how loud a leaf blower is. These things can be very noisy, but did you know that a single trombone can be even louder? The brass family of instruments has some of the loudest instruments in the whole orchestra! The trombone and the trumpet are especially loud, and even just one of them can be loud enough to be heard over the whole rest of the orchestra!

The brass family includes any instruments that make sound when a musician buzzes their lips into a mouthpiece. This means there are some instruments in the brass family that aren’t made of brass at all, like the conch, which is a shell played as a musical instrument! However, the most commonly played brass instruments in the orchestra—trumpets, trombones, French horns and tubas—are made from brass, which is a combination of copper and zinc.

When a musician plays a brass instrument, the air goes through a long, narrow tube with a bell-shaped end to make the sound you hear. Brass players can change the notes they play by pushing valves, or buttons, to make notes higher or lower. They can also change notes by adjusting their embouchure, or how they shape their lips. And of course, brass musicians can change how loud or soft they play by adjusting their airflow and embouchure so that they don’t overpower the orchestra!

Brass instruments are especially popular in film music. Film composers often use the brass family when they want to signal something grand or majestic, like in the main theme from “Jurassic Park”. Brass is also used to create a feeling of adventure or excitement, like in the famous Indiana Jones theme, “Raiders March,” from Raiders of the Lost Ark. In movies, brass is often heard when a character is very powerful as well—either for heroes or for villains! For example, you can hear a lot of brass in Darth Vader’s theme, the “Imperial March,” from Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back. See if you can hear how John Williams uses brass instruments in his music when you watch our John Williams: Maestro of the Movies concert!

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Trumpet | French Horn | Trombone | Tuba
John Towner Williams was born on February 8, 1932, in Floral Park, New York. He began studying music when he was seven years old and learned many different instruments, including trumpet, trombone, bassoon, cello, and clarinet. He was especially talented on the piano, and wanted to be a classical concert pianist when he grew up.

In 1948, when Williams was in high school, he moved with his family to Los Angeles. He started studying composition, or how to write music, in college, then played piano and brass in the Air Force band. After that, he moved back to New York to study piano at the famous Juilliard School to fulfill his dream of being a concert pianist. After seeing how talented the other students were though, he changed his mind and decided to become a composer instead!

Williams moved back to Los Angeles and got a job as an orchestrator, or someone who helps a composer arrange their music for orchestra performance. He first started writing his own music for TV shows, then started composing for movies in 1959. Since then, he has written music for well over 100 movies, including Star Wars, Raiders of the Lost Ark, Jurassic Park, and Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone. He has also written music for special events like the Olympics.

John Williams still lives and composes music in Los Angeles today. In fact, you may have heard his most recent soundtrack for Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker! The next movie he will compose for is the fifth Indiana Jones movie, coming out in 2022.
2. DARTH VADER OR BABY YODA CORNER BOOKMARKS

Make the perfect bookmarks for book-loving Star Wars fans with just a little paper, pen, scissors, and glue! If you don’t have the right colored paper, you can use regular paper and color in with markers, crayons or colored pencils. To substitute for the silver pen, you can use white-out.

DARTH VADER INSTRUCTIONS
BABY YODA INSTRUCTIONS

3. YODA SHAPE CRAFT

This is a great craft for young ones still learning shapes! If you don’t have googly eyes, you can draw the eyes. And as before, you can use plain paper and use crayons or markers to color Yoda his signature green color.

CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS

4. STAR WARS FINGERPRINT DRAWINGS

Using just fingers and paint, you can make really great Star Wars drawings! The author used these on wrapping paper, but you could just use them for some inspired artwork around your home. If you don’t have acrylic paint, you can try using stamp pads or even food coloring.

CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS

5. LEGO STAR WARS PRINTABLE YODA

If you’re more a fan of Lego Star Wars, this printable Yoda requires only scissors and a printer—no tape or glue! At the end you’ll have a 3D “Lego” Yoda to keep you company.

CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS

6. MILK CARTON STORM TROOPER HELMET

For those going through gallon milk cartons, try saving and cleaning an empty one to make a Storm Trooper helmet! If you don’t have paint, you can use black permanent marker for the helmet markings.

CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS

7. SIMPLE WEARABLE YODA EARS/PRINCESS LEIA HAIR AND PAPER LIGHTSABERS

With some construction paper and crayons, you can easily make Yoda ears or Princess Leia hair to wear! This link also includes an idea for how to make lightsabers from construction paper and empty paper towel tubes.

CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS

8. OFFICE SUPPLIES X-WING FIGHTER

Even if you don’t have any craft supplies at home, you probably have pens and binder clips! If you don’t want to use glue on your office supplies, you can use tape instead. This one is fun for kids and adults alike!

CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS

HARRY POTTER CRAFTS

1. HOGWARTS HOUSE BOOKMARKS

For the Harry Potter readers who want to show off their Hogwarts house, these bookmarks are perfect! If you don’t have colored paper, you can color plain white paper, or even create your own imaginary wizard house with the colors you have.

CLICK HERE FOR INSTRUCTIONS
2. HARRY POTTER CHARACTER CORNER BOOKMARKS
If you want a bookmark that shows off your favorite Harry Potter character, try these corner bookmarks! You can choose from a variety of characters, including Harry, Hermione, Hagrid and even Hedwig. CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS

3. PRINTABLE HARRY POTTER BOOKMARKS
Want to get right to reading with your favorite Harry Potter character bookmarks and none of the fuss? Here are some adorable Harry Potter bookmarks that you can print and use right away! CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS

4. PRINTABLE ORIGAMI SORTING HAT
This printable template is a simple and fun way to find out what Hogwarts House you belong in! If you don’t have a printer, you can draw your own based on the template, and you can even change the images or text to whatever choices you’d like for house sorting! CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS

5. HARRY POTTER LIGHT-UP WAND
This craft is a little more intensive and we’re not able to suggest any substitutions, but if you have the supplies on-hand, it’s a great way to explore STEM and end up with a fun light-up wand! CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS

6. HOT BUTTERBEER
This simple recipe for hot butterbeer is a fun project for the family, with only six ingredients (and none of them are alcohol)! If you don’t have any butterscotch syrup, you can replace it with caramel; if you don’t have any cans of cream soda, you can quickly whip up your own using granulated sugar, water, vanilla and lemon juice or cream of tartar mixed with carbonated water. CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS

7. FROZEN BUTTERBEER
Too hot for hot butterbeer? Not to worry, you can make your own frozen butterbeer! This recipe contains a few more ingredients, but if you can’t get a hold of butterscotch or rum extracts, just leave them out and add a little more butterscotch syrup or caramel instead. CLICK FOR INSTRUCTIONS
COLORING PAGES

1. STAR WARS COLORING PAGES
Disney offers a wide variety of Star Wars coloring pages that you can color in online, or print out and color with crayons, markers or colored pencils. Great for young Star Wars fans!

CLICK HERE FOR ONLINE COLORING BOOK
COLORING PAGES

2. HARRY POTTER COLORING PAGES

If you’re more a fan of magic than science fiction, check out the Coloring Library for abundant Harry Potter coloring page options.

CLICK HERE FOR ONLINE COLORING BOOK

We hope you and your family will enjoy these suggestions. Make sure to check out the other activities on our website and share what you do with us on social media—tag @PacificSymphony!
MUSICAL MAD LIBS
This Musical Mad Libs works just like other fill-in-the-blank stories you might have done before—but with a musical twist!

BEGINNER directions!
1. Choose a word for each part of speech identified on the Beginner Worksheet under “Word Choices.”
2. Have one person in charge of reading the story and another person in charge of playing the music in order on the “Musical Mad Libs Playlist.”
3. Read the story out loud, filling in each blank with the matching word choice. After each sentence, listen to each piece on the playlist.
4. When you are done, you can try the Mad Libs again, with different words. You can even mix up the playlist to match your word choices!
5. ENJOY YOUR MUSICAL MAD LIBS!

ADVANCED directions!
1. Choose a word for each part of speech identified on the Advanced Worksheet, under “Word Choices.”
2. Review your word choices and circle which of the adjectives provided best matches each one under “Music Descriptors.”
3. Match each “Music Descriptor” with the piece of John Williams music using the Descriptor Decoder. Click the links to load each piece of music in order before you read the story.
4. Have one person in charge of reading the story and another person in charge of playing the music.
5. Read the story out loud, filling in each blank with the word matching each number. After each sentence, listen to the music that matches each word.
6. When you are done, you can try the Mad Libs again, with different words. You can also skip the Music Descriptors and choose your own John Williams music to go with each of your word choices!
7. ENJOY YOUR MUSICAL MAD LIBS!

A JOHN WILLIAMS TALE
A long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away, there lived a young wizard brother and sister.

They lived in an old _____________________ with their muggle parents and

pet ___________________. They wanted to go somewhere exciting, so they planned a

trip to Planet _____________________ in their family _____________________.

However, just halfway into their journey, they ran out of fuel! They were forced to land on

the nearest planet, Jurassic ___________________. As soon as they disembarked, they

were chased by humongous _____________________ under the leadership of

Darth ___________________. They ran fast and eventually found a great hiding

spot under a _____________________, where they spotted a spaceship full of

Jedi ___________________. They made fast friends and together defeated

Darth _____________________’s army, thereby saving Planet _____________________

and making it home with their new friends.
MUSICAL MAD LIBS: BEGINNER WORKSHEET

Word Choices

1. Noun: _________________________________________
2. Type of animal: ___________________________________
3. Place to travel: _________________________________
4. Type of vehicle: ________________________________
5. Place (proper noun): ____________________________
6. Creature (plural): _______________________________
7. Person’s name: _________________________________
8. Noun: ________________________________________
9. Intergalactic species: ____________________________
   (plural; ex., Wookies, Porgs, Ewoks)

Musical Mad Libs Playlist – Click the title to play

A. “Hedwig’s Theme” from Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone
B. “Flying Theme” from E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial
C. “Main Theme” from Jurassic Park
D. “Imperial March” from Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back
E. “Yoda’s Theme” from Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back
F. “Main Theme” from Star Wars: A New Hope

Now read “A John Williams Tale” with your word choices, playing music from the playlist after each sentence!
MUSICAL MAD LIBS: ADVANCED WORKSHEET

Word Choices

1. Noun: _________________________________________
2. Type of animal: _________________________________
3. Place to travel: __________________________________
4. Type of vehicle: _________________________________
5. Place (proper noun): _____________________________
6. Creature (plural): ________________________________
7. Person’s name: _________________________________
8. Noun: _________________________________________
9. Intergalactic species: ____________________________
   (plural; ex., Wookies, Porgs, Ewoks)

Music Descriptors (circle ONE adjective for each)

A. Word Choice #2: MAGICAL or DANGEROUS
B. Word Choice #4: FAST or SLOW
C. Word Choice #5: MAJESTIC or EXCITING
D. Word Choice #7: REGAL or SCARY
E. Word Choice #9: SILLY or HEROIC
F. Word Choice #3: TRIUMPHANT or CALM

Musical Mad Libs Descriptor Decoder - click the title to play

A. MAGICAL: “Hedwig’s Theme” from 
   Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone
   DANGEROUS: “Main Theme” from Jaws

B. FAST: “Flying Theme” from 
   E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial
   SLOW: “Main Theme” from Jaws

C. MAJESTIC: “Main Theme” from Jurassic Park
   EXCITING: “Raiders March” from 
   Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark

D. REGAL: “Liberty Fanfare”
   SCARY: “Imperial March” from 
   Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back

E. SILLY: “Yoda’s Theme” from 
   Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back
   HEROIC: “Throne Room and End Title” from 
   Star Wars: A New Hope

F. TRIUMPHANT: “Main Theme” from 
   Star Wars: A New Hope
   CALM: “Harry’s Wondrous World” from 
   Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone

Now match up your music descriptors with the Descriptor Decoder.
Then read “A John Williams Tale” with your word choices, playing your music choices after each sentence!
HOW ARE MOVIE SOUND EFFECTS MADE?

Have you ever thought about the sounds you hear when you watch a movie? It might surprise you to learn that many of the noises you hear are recorded separately from the visuals! This is because even with a microphone, noises like footsteps and squeaky doors don't always sound the same on the set of a film (place where film recording takes place) as they do in real life. To make sound effects more realistic, they are recorded in a special sound studio called a Foley studio.

What is Foley and how does it work?

The art of recording sound effects for movies is called Foley, named after Jack Foley—one of the first people to record sound effects for movies. Foley artists record in a special Foley studio on a Foley stage, a place with many different props and tools for recording sound effects. They watch the movie on a screen while recreating everyday noises by running, walking, and using props. For example:

- The sound of a dog shaking dry can be recreated using a wet mop.
- The sound of an elevator door can be made by closing a filing cabinet while ringing a hotel reception bell.
- A horse running sounds like clapping two coconut shells together.
MAKE YOUR OWN MOVIE SOUND EFFECTS!

See if you can find different materials around your home that you can use to make your own movie sound effects. Use your imagination to pretend you are making your own movie using these sounds!

Crackling fire: Crinkle a cellophane (plastic) bag!

Flipping through a wad of cash: Shuffle a deck of cards!

Walking in grass: Shake a plastic bag with newspaper inside!

Flapping bird wings: Shake a pair of gloves!

Bats flying or elephants shaking their ears: Rustle a leather jacket!

We hope you and your family will enjoy these suggestions. Make sure to check out the other activities on our website and share what you do with us on social media—tag @PacificSymphony!