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Maestro Don Liuzzi is in his 13th season as MLSO Music Director, and he established the James Deitz Memorial Young Artist Competition and Bridging the Gap Fellowship Program. Liuzzi is Principal Timpani for the Philadelphia Orchestra and holds the new re-endowed Don S Liuzzi chair, supported by Linda and David Glickstein. Born and raised in Weymouth, MA, Don earned his Bachelor of Music degree from and his Master of Music degree from Temple University. Having consulted with Yamaha for over 20 years on the development of professional timpani and percussion, he is a Yamaha performing artist, with a highly-regarded Yahama Global YouTube interview and performance.



Travis Peterson, Trumpet Soloist, Associate Principal Trumpet of the Philadelphia Orchestra.

Travis Peterson officially joined the Philadelphia Orchestra as Associate Principal Trumpet in 2026 after having served as Principal Trumpet with the Utah Symphony since 2013. He studied music education at the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University and received his Graduate Diploma in trumpet performance from the New England Conservatory where he was a fellow for 3 years under the direction of Michael Tilson Thomas.



Tom Teti, Narrator Tom is a founding member of People's Light and Theater, appearing in over 150 productions in lead and ensemble roles. He has also worked as an actor, teacher, and director at the Wilma, Walnut Street, Arden, Theater Exile and Hedgerow theaters in the Philadelphia area and in prominent theaters in Washington D.C., Pittsburgh and Louisville. A member of the Rittenhouse Writer's Group since 2000, Tom writes fiction and reads it in the People's Light program Tales with Tom, and his own Fiction Live series in Malvern, PA.

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Main Line Symphony Orchestra

Don Liuzzi, Music Director



Latin Flair and Young Person's Guide

Friday, November 20, 2026
8 PM
Valley Forge Middle School, Wayne PA

Main Line Symphony Orchestra

Don Liuzzi, Music Director • Maya Anjali Buchanan, Concertmaster
Assistant Conductors Scott Cullen & William Einhorn

VIOLIN
Shaarvi Bala
Sara Benson
Aviva Bock +
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Danzón No. 2.....*Arturo Márquez*
Conductor, Scott Cullen

Concerto for Trumpet in E-flat Major.....*Alexander Arutiunian*
Trumpet soloist, Travis Peterson

Estancia Suite.....*Alberto Ginastera*
Los Trabejadores Agricolas (The Land Workers)
Dos Peones de Hacienda (The Cattlemen)
Danza Final – Malambo

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The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra .....*Benjamin Britten*
Narrator, Tom Teti

Man of La Mancha (Orchestral Selections).....*Mitch Leigh*

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