“TANGLEWOOD IN THE CITY”—PITTSFIELD EDITION, FRIDAY, JULY 19, AT 8 P.M.

THE BOSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA PRESENTS FIRST-EVER LIVE VIDEO CONCERT, DIRECT FROM TANGLEWOOD, FOR THE PITTSFIELD COMMUNITY

PITTSFIELD EVENT INSPIRED BY BOSTON EDITION OF “TANGLEWOOD IN THE CITY” NOW IN ITS FOURTH YEAR; BOSTON SCREENING TO TAKE PLACE ON THE BOSTON COMMON ALSO ON JULY 19

BSO CONCERT PROJECTED ON GIANT SCREENS ON PITTSFIELD COMMON AND BOSTON COMMON TO FEATURE MUSIC BY BETSY JOLAS, SAINT-SAËNS, DEBUSSY, AND RAVEL WITH BSO MUSIC DIRECTOR ANDRIS NELSONS AND CELLIST GAUTIER CAPUÇON

PITTSFIELD’S “TANGLEWOOD IN THE CITY” BEGINS AT 5 P.M. WITH PRE-CONCERT FESTIVITIES INCLUDING PERFORMANCES BY THE EAGLES COMMUNITY BAND BRASS ENSEMBLE; PERFORMERS FROM THE BARRINGTON STAGE MTC CHORAL GROUP; AND MUSICIANS FROM THE BOSTON UNIVERSITY TANGLEWOOD INSTITUTE FELLOWS, AS WELL AS FAMILY-FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES OFFERED BY LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING THE NORMAN ROCKWELL MUSEUM, HANCOCK SHAKER VILLAGE, BERKSHIRE MUSIC SCHOOL, AND THE PITTSFIELD YMCA

FOOD VENDORS TO INCLUDE MAIN STREET HOSPITALITY, BARRINGTON BREWERY, SOCO CREAMERY, AND MAD JACK’S BBQ

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE 2019 TANGLEWOOD SEASON, VISIT WWW.TANGLEWOOD.ORG OR CLICK HERE; FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THIS SUMMER’S LAUNCH OF THE TANGLEWOOD INSTITUTE PROGRAMS AND THE OPENING OF TANGLEWOOD’S NEW FOUR-BUILDING COMPLEX—THE LINDE CENTER—VISIT TLI.ORG OR CLICK HERE
For season press releases, downloadable photos, artist bios, and Tanglewood history and chronology, click here; for press tickets, email ecotten@bso.org or call 617-638-9280

On July 19, the Boston Symphony Orchestra, in partnership with Mill Town Capital, the City of Pittsfield and local organizations, will present its first-ever free community event on the Pittsfield Common. “Tanglewood in the City: Pittsfield”—a live video transmission of the BSO’s July 19 concert at Tanglewood—aims to bring Tanglewood into the Pittsfield community and share one of the festival’s major performances with a wider group of Berkshire residents. The performance, which will be transmitted onto a 15x27-foot screen on the Pittsfield Common, will begin with welcoming comments from a BSO musician and feature BSO Music Director Andris Nelsons leading the orchestra in music of Betsy Jolas, Debussy, and Ravel, as well as Saint-Saëns’s Cello Concerto No. 1 with soloist Gautier Capuçon.

The Pittsfield event is inspired by the popular Boston edition of “Tanglewood in the City.” Now in its fourth year, this year’s “Tanglewood in the City: Boston” event takes place on the Boston Common, also on Friday, July 19. Further details about the Boston edition of “Tanglewood in the City” appear below.

Statement from Linda Tyer, Pittsfield Mayor
“The City of Pittsfield is absolutely thrilled to welcome Tanglewood for this dynamic event – and the first of its kind – in the heart of our downtown at The Common. Thanks to the collaborative efforts of so many in our community and throughout the county, Tanglewood in the City will provide attendees with an unforgettable evening of music under the stars.”

Statement from Mark Volpe, BSO Eunice and Julian Cohen President and Chief Executive Officer
“We are thrilled to partner with the City of Pittsfield to bring the Boston Symphony Orchestra’s live video transmission from Tanglewood to this important Berkshire community for the first time.

“The Berkshires have been the summer home to the BSO since 1937, when Tanglewood was founded by the legendary Serge Koussevitzky, BSO Music Director, 1924-49. Though a visionary, he could not have imagined what Tanglewood would become to music lovers throughout the region, across the country, and around the globe. The festival’s standing as one of the most beloved music festivals in the world would not be possible without the extraordinary support of generations of Berkshire residents who have supported the festival these many decades.

“Tanglewood in the City is one way we can express our appreciation and encourage the citizens of the region to join the BSO and its music director Andris Nelsons for an evening of great music-making.

“Andris often says that music is food for our souls. The type of music may vary from individual to individual, but the effect is the same. No matter your personal music preferences, we welcome you tonight with the heartfelt hope that people of every generation from the Berkshire community will join us as we share the musical gifts of the BSO with our good neighbors. May this be the start of a delightful new Berkshire tradition.”

“TANGLEWOOD IN THE CITY: PITTSFIELD” – JULY 19 ON THE PITTSFIELD COMMON
“Tanglewood in the City: Pittsfield” will begin at 5 p.m. on the Pittsfield Common with pre-concert festivities taking place throughout the evening, including performances by the Eagles Community Band Brass Ensemble, performers from the Barrington Stage MTC Choral Group, and students from the
Boston University Tanglewood Institute, as well as family-friendly activities offered by local organizations such as the Norman Rockwell Museum, Hancock Shaker Village, Berkshire Music School, and the Pittsfield YMCA. The Boston Symphony Association of Volunteers will also host an Instrument Playground following the Eagles Community Band Brass Ensemble performance.

Audience members will also have an opportunity to enjoy casual summer fare from local on-site food vendors including Main Street Hospitality, Barrington Brewery, SoCo Creamery, and Mad Jack’s BBQ.

The live video transmission on the Pittsfield Common of the July 19 concert from Tanglewood is made possible by lead sponsor Mill Town Capital who has also served as the lead partner in developing this event for the community, in partnership with the City of Pittsfield. The Berkshire Eagle is the evening’s media sponsor, with additional support from Greylock Federal Credit Union, Stop & Shop, SoCo Creamery, the Petricca Family, Zion Church, and First United Methodist Church.

“TANGLEWOOD IN THE CITY: BOSTON” – JULY 19 ON THE BOSTON COMMON

Also on Friday, July 19, at 8 p.m., the Boston Symphony Orchestra presents its annual “Tanglewood In the City: Boston” event on the Boston Common—a live video presentation of a BSO concert at Tanglewood. Now in its fourth year, the event—which drew several thousand audience members in 2018—will be hosted by Bloomberg anchor/reporter Janet Wu and features a live video transmission on a 15x27-foot screen of the BSO’s evening performance from its summer home in Lenox, Massachusetts.

Boston audience members are invited to arrive early to enter the “Creative Picnic” contest and enjoy casual summer fare from local on-site food vendors. Videos and music by the Boston Symphony and Boston Pops will be broadcast until the start of the concert. For more event information, visit www.bso.org/tanglewoodinthecity.

The live video transmission on the Boston Common of the July 19 concert from Tanglewood is sponsored by Chase, WBZ NewsRadio 1030, with additional support given by The Boston Globe and Virginia Simpson Aisner and James E. Aisner.

TANGLEWOOD IN BRIEF

One of the premier summer music festivals in the world and summer home of the Boston Symphony Orchestra since 1937, Tanglewood is located in the beautiful Berkshire Hills, between Stockbridge and Lenox, Massachusetts. Launching a new chapter in the illustrious festival’s 81-year history, this summer Tanglewood will open the Linde Center for Music and Learning—a new multi-use, multi-season, four-building complex designed to support the performance and rehearsal activities of the Tanglewood Music Center and be the focal point of a new initiative, the Tanglewood Learning Institute, offering wide-ranging education and enrichment programs designed to enhance the patron experience. Tickets for the 2019 Tanglewood season, $12-$130, are available through Tanglewood’s website, www.tanglewood.org, SymphonyCharge at 888-266-1200, and at the Symphony Hall Box Office at 301 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts. Full season details of the 2019 Tanglewood season, including downloadable photos and video, program listings, and artist photos and biographies are available here.

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For further information, call the Boston Symphony Orchestra at 617-266-1492. The Boston Symphony Orchestra is online at www.bso.org. All programs and artists are subject to change.

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