

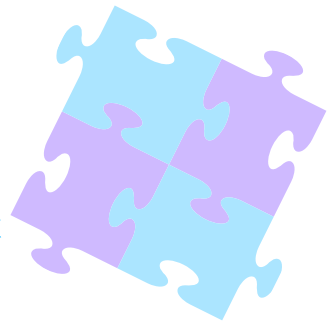
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"This concert is special. The whole hall was bouncing with joy during the William Tell Overture. It was just lovely and it seemed the musicians all enjoyed the happy, bouncing listeners. Thank you so much for providing this lovely experience for us, and so many others."

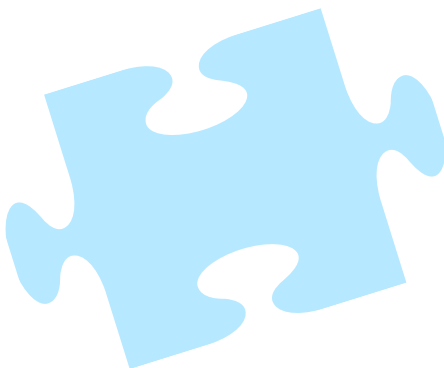


" It was fantastic. We don't take our kids out to experiences like this because of price and the ability to stay seated. Thank you for giving our family the ability to enjoy it together. Thanks to everyone who helped make it great! "

" We have a nonverbal son who is 15 now. His step quickened as we approached the building. He very much enjoyed the concert. After it was over and we were standing up, he spontaneously gave me the biggest, deepest, and longest lasting hug he has ever done!! Thank you all for providing one of the few things our whole family can attend together without worry. It really is a huge service. "



" My son McKay who has ASD says every year that the concert is "the most important day of the year." He loves every second of the concert and the whole week leading up to it. Our whole family goes both to enjoy the music and atmosphere and to watch McKay bask in what he loves. "





" The setting and artists are of a caliber our family rarely gets to experience. The music selection was perfect to engage all ages and abilities. Most importantly, the intentionally created atmosphere of understanding and welcoming of behaviors that might otherwise receive glares in an audience meant we could relax and enjoy ourselves completely. Thank you so much! "

" I have ALWAYS felt that music is a Universal Language and to watch my Special Needs child who is hardly ever still or quiet be mesmerized, as if in a trance proves my point just how powerful music is! My child actually didn't speak until he was 4 and music therapy was the key to unlock that part of his brain! Music is SO POWERFUL! "

" We enjoyed seeing other families around us have fun and to see smiles on the performers faces as they looked out on the audience. "

" My children and I always enjoy being able to go to an event without all the social barriers. We are extremely grateful to be able to attend and enjoy this show. Thank you! "

" My special needs little girl who is six years old loved the opera singers! It was a great experience for us to take her to something like this and not feel judged when she talked during the performance or when she got out of her seat to do a few twirls and sit back down. Absolutely loved it! "

