

USUO Military Veteran Outreach 2021-22



For many years, Utah Symphony | Utah Opera has partnered with VetTix, a national non-profit organization that works with cultural and sports organizations to provide complimentary tickets to events for American Veterans and their families. When tickets are available beyond sales for particular upcoming events, our Ticket Office distributes small numbers of tickets to organizations like VetTix, most of them based locally.

During the 2016-17 season, and every season since then, USUO hosts a special publicized and larger ticket donation project as a continuation of our Arts in Service to the Military Cultural Festival: we donate up to 100 tickets per performance for 3 special pairs of performances (one Masterworks concert, one Pops or Family concert, and one Opera production).

In addition to working with VetTix to make tickets available throughout each season, USUO includes recognition of the special influx of tickets to three concerts for Veterans in our printed program as well as in our stage announcements at each of these events. This season, Veterans and their families were invited to the Utah Symphony *Daniel Lozakovich plays Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto* masterworks and *Bravo Broadway! A Rogers and Hammerstein Celebration* pops concerts as well as Utah Opera's *Flight*. Veterans claimed a total of 689 tickets to these three events.



Here are some of the enthusiastic responses our guest veterans they sent back to VetTix after attending a USUO performance:



It was a wonderful experience!
Thank you so much Utah Symphony | Utah Opera for the VetTix ticket donation!! My family enjoyed this concert so much! They really love the theater, symphony, and the Arts! This has brought us together as a family in a safe and welcoming venue! Daniel Lozakovich Plays Tchaikovsky Violin Concert was a terrific concert, fun for my whole family. We had so much fun, made great memories, and would not have the opportunity, if it were not for your generosity and kindness. Utah Symphony | Utah Opera you are great people, and a great organization!

Pascual - United States Army - Currently Serving



Abravanel hall is a lovely venue.
I want to say thanks to the Utah Symphony | Utah Opera for their generous donation of tickets to the Symphony. They have started mentioning specifically that VetTix patrons are in the audience. It really makes me feel welcome. Thanks again...Tchaikovsky is a personal favorite.

Richard - United States Army Veteran 1993-2003

Thank you Utah Symphony | Utah Opera for the tickets and the wonderful night. This movie [Home Alone] is my greatest childhood movie growing up and our kids have also enjoyed this movie since their childhood. But to see it in a symphony hall with a live orchestra is so magical and amazing. Thank you again, we look forward to attending future performances.

Juan - United States Army Veteran 2003-2004





Thank you VetTix and the Utah Opera for the opportunity to watch the Friday evening performance of Flight. My daughter and I appreciate your generosity and had a wonderful time. The staff is friendly and everyone adhered to the local health standards. The cast and orchestra did an outstanding job. Thank you for providing us the opportunity to break out of our 'cabin fever'.

Vincent - United States Air Force Veteran 1989-1997



To the Utah Symphony | Utah Opera, thank you so much for donating the tickets to attend this opera! My wife and I enjoyed it, especially the fact that it was different from typical operas and had many funny moments.

Donald - United States Army Veteran 1977-2007

I was able to take my sister with me, who had never been to the Utah Symphony. Thank you so much VetTix for affording us that opportunity. The experience was seamless and well organized. It was uplifting for the conductor to thank VetTix for their support

Robert - United States Army Veteran 1969-1999

