



## CSO Family Concert Series

*Supporting the music education and literacy of Chattanooga's elementary school-age children.*

### About the Family Series:

In partnership with local puppetry company Playful Evolving Monsters and Hamilton County's Read20 literacy program, the CSO's Family Series brings classic children's books to life with classical music. Interactive and educational craft activities relevant to each story take place before each performance, allowing families to create crafts with their children that double as fidget objects and show props. Pre-show activities also include an instrument petting zoo, where children can handle and play orchestral instruments, often for the first time in their life. Each 45-minute show begins with a mini-concert performed by CSO's top musicians and then progresses into a magical storybook performance narrated by Read20 and combining music and the life-sized puppetry of Playful Evolving Monster. Families interact throughout the performance with cued musical participation like clapping and with the use of their props. At the end of the concert, each family receives a copy of the book to take home and enjoy again and again.

Targeting areas with low involvement in literacy programs and low arts exposure, this past season the CSO has brought this series to venues that include the Bethlehem Center (East Lake area), RISE Chattanooga (East Chattanooga area), and Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga (East Ridge area). Each performance serves 100-300 patrons. Admission is free, courtesy of the City of Chattanooga.

### Supporting the Series:

Support of the CSO's education programs is an investment in the literacy and music education of Chattanooga's youngest generations. Each gift helps to bring these performances to more families throughout the region, promote literacy and music, and provide free activities for Chattanooga families. Your gift, at any amount, provides vital support for these programs!

- **\$500** buys picture books for three performances, which go home with families.
- **\$1,000** creates the custom puppets that are handmade for each book.
- **\$2,500** pays the CSO musicians for their rehearsal and performance time.
- **\$5,000** covers the venue rental costs for a season of Family Concerts.



For more information or to make a gift, contact Antine Rieger at [arieger@chattanoogasympphony.org](mailto:arieger@chattanoogasympphony.org) or give online at [chattanoogasympphony.org/donate/](https://chattanoogasympphony.org/donate/).



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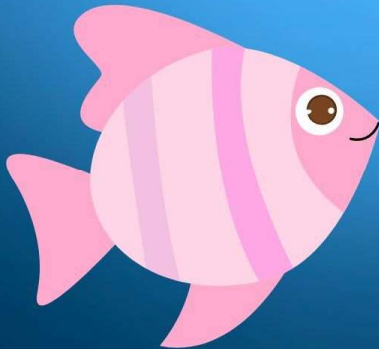


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