



## Concerts for Kids

### Instilling a lifelong love for the performing arts for underserved youth

As a core part of its mission to make the arts accessible to all, Festival Napa Valley's Concerts for Kids provide an admission-free opportunity for 1<sup>st</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students to attend a live concert in a professional performance setting, including a bilingual interactive session with the artists. For many young people in Napa Valley, this is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

The Festival Napa Valley 2019 summer *Concert for Kids* features noted children's book author and composer Karen LeFrak, and the symphonic music she wrote to accompany her latest book, *Sleepover at the Museum*. Maestro Ming Luke leads the Blackburn Music Academy Orchestra in the California premiere of this evocative piece about a slumber party and scavenger hunt in a museum of natural history. Follow three children as they learn about the museum's collections with the help of a narrator, while the book's beautiful images are projected on a giant screen. Also on the program is Camille Saint-Saëns's beloved classic, *Carnival of the Animals*, a whimsical zoological exploration for orchestra and narrator.

1,200 students attending Festival Napa Valley's six Arts for All Camps will be transported via charter bus to the Lincoln Theater in Yountville from American Canyon, Calistoga, Napa and St. Helena to attend the concert on Monday, July 15, 2019.

An additional Concert for Kids will be presented on April 5, 2019, at Jarvis Conservatory for 150 students from Camille Creek Community School whose mission is to empower Napa's most disenfranchised youth toward a productive future. Cuban pianist Aldo López-Gavilán, who made his festival debut in 2016 and was awarded the festival's Khaledi Prize in 2017, is joined by his brother, Ilmar Gavilán, on violin for an electrifying concert of Aldo's original compositions. After the concert, the duo will hold a bilingual question and answer session with the students to discuss their musical journey and the role it has played in shaping their lives.

The cost to underwrite the entire Concert for Kids program is \$125,000. The April concert can be individually underwritten for \$25,000. The July concert can be individually underwritten for \$100,000.