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Tiny Rock Concerts Return to Chautauqua Park for Colorado Music Festival

The free, outdoor concerts feature intimate performances by renowned orchestral musicians

BOULDER, CO. (June 28, 2022) — A series of pop-up concerts by renowned orchestral musicians will take place at Boulder's Chautauqua Park trailhead, just west of the Ranger Cottage, during this summer's <u>Colorado Music Festival</u> (CMF). The Tiny Rock Concert series, first launched by CMF in 2019, showcases the world-class talent of a variety of musicians in a casual setting with the flatirons of Boulder as a backdrop.

Tiny Rock Concerts are free and last around ten minutes each. They are all outdoors, at Boulder's Chautauqua Park trailhead, just west of the Ranger Cottage.

Here is the current schedule, the latest version of which is available at <u>coloradomusicfestival.org/tiny-rock-concerts</u>.

Date & Time*	Performer	Instrument	Role in 2022 Festival	Home Orchestra
Wednesday, July 6, 8:30 a.m.	Aaron Merritt and Susie Yang	Cello duo	Orchestra	Merritt: Nu Deco Ensemble, Principal; Yang: Kansas City Symphony, Associate Principal
Wednesday, July 13, 8:30 a.m.	Timothy McAllister	Saxophone	Guest artist	None
Wednesday, July 13-14, TBD	Tessa Lark	Violin	Guest artist	None
Wednesday, July 27, 8:30 a.m.	Callie Brennan	Violin	Orchestra	Colorado Ballet Orchestra
Thursday, July 28, 8:30 a.m.	Grace Takeda	Viola	Festival Fellow	Master of Music student at The Juilliard School

	Wednesday, August 3, 8:30 a.m.	Anthony McGill	Clarinet	Guest artist	New York Philharmonic
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*specific times for each concert are subject to change

"There is something magical about experiencing a casual, outdoor performance by a world-class musician in such a beautiful, natural setting as the Chautauqua Park trailhead," said Colorado Music Festival executive director Elizabeth McGuire. "Our Tiny Rock Concert series feature guest artists and members of the Colorado Music Festival Orchestra in concert with nature and for everyone to enjoy. I can't imagine anything more representative of our community."

The 2022 Colorado Music Festival runs from June 30 to August 7 at Chautauqua Auditorium. The festival features world-class musicians from around the country who perform in Boulder as the Colorado Music Festival Orchestra under the direction of music director Peter Oundjian.

The 2022 festival includes 22 orchestral and chamber music performances and 13 guest artists, three internationally-acclaimed string quartets, and four guest conductors.

For more information about CMF, or to purchase tickets, visit <u>ColoradoMusicFestival.org</u> or call 303-440-7666. For a full media kit, including details about performances and photographs, visit <u>https://bit.ly/COMusicFest2022MediaKit</u>.

About Colorado Music Festival

Founded in 1976, the <u>Colorado Music Festival (CMF)</u> presents a summer season of classical music concerts performed by professional musicians from around the world at the historic <u>Chautauqua</u> <u>Auditorium</u> in Boulder. Emerging talent from Europe, Asia, South America, and the U.S. join more than 100 all-star musicians, who comprise the Colorado Music Festival Orchestra, in performances that inspire and engage concertgoers of all ages. Under the music direction of Peter Oundjian, the CMF thrills audiences of more than 20,000 each season with programming that embraces the most beloved classical music repertoire while integrating world music and the works of exciting modern composers. For more information about CMF or to purchase tickets, visit <u>ColoradoMusicFestival.org</u>, email <u>tickets@comusic.org</u>, or call 303-440-7666.

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