



Feel the Force flow as if you were a Jedi Knight tonight as the SYMPHONIA performs John Williams' award-winning score of "Star Wars: A New Hope" during a showing of the movie. [CONTRIBUTED]

# Boca fest to entertain, enlighten, inspire

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Festival of the Arts Boca is back and better than ever.

This year's event will feature music, documentaries and talks by esteemed authors.

For music, feel the Force flowing tonight as The SYMPHONIA, directed by Constantine Kitsopoulos, performs John Williams' Academy Award-winning score of "Star Wars: A New Hope" during a screening of the classic film.

The SYMPHONIA will perform again on Saturday with an evening of orchestral favorites including Gershwin's immortal "Rhapsody in Blue."

Also on Saturday will be a showing of the film

"Bending the Arc." This documentary chronicles the work of three people, who were barely out of their teens, who went to Haiti in the late '80s to help those ravaged by disease and how their efforts would have global effects.

In an era of special interests and powerful lobbies, how has our Constitution held up? Find out as author Jeffrey Rosen presents "The Constitution in the 21st Century" on Sunday.

On Monday, Dr. Agnes Binagwaho and Thomas Bollyky will offer insight regarding the state of the world in their discussion "Global Public Health Today and Tomorrow."

Need another reason to be concerned about the state of the world?

## IF YOU GO

**Festival of the Arts Boca**  
**WHERE:** Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real; Cultural Arts Center, 201 Plaza Real.  
**WHEN:** through March 10  
**INFORMATION:** www.festivalboca.org; 866-571-2787.

Don't miss Pulitzer Prize-winning author David Sanger on Wednesday and his presentation "Cyber Conflict: A New Era of War, Sabotage and Fear."

Other musical acts will include Robert Pinsky: PoemJazz on Tuesday, An Evening of Russian Music and Ballet on Friday, the Nu Deco Ensemble on March 9 and closing out the festival will be Arturo Sandoval on March 10.

# NOTHING LIKE LIVE!

STARTS TONIGHT!



## CAPITOL STEPS: MAKE AMERICA GRIN AGAIN

Friday through Sunday, March 1-17

Tuesday, Friday and Thursday, March 7 at 7:30 pm

Wednesday, Saturday and Thursday, March 14 at 1:30 pm and 7:30 pm

Sunday, March 3 and 17 at 1:30 pm  
(No show on Sunday, March 10)

Rinker Playhouse • Tickets \$42

The Capitol Steps promise to *Make America Grin Again* with an all-new show featuring a barrage of hysterical, hot-off-the-press political parodies.

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PEAK Series

## JENNY SCHEINMAN'S KANNAPOLIS: A MOVING PORTRAIT

Friday, March 8 at 7:30 pm

Persson Hall • Theater-style Seating

Tickets \$35

A beautifully coordinated mix of music and film, as acclaimed violinist Jenny Scheinman explores the captivating visual world of H. Lee Waters, who documented over a hundred small Southern towns from 1936-1942.

Guests attending this PEAK performance in Persson Hall will receive a ticket for one complimentary beverage.

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Regional Arts Classical Concert Series

## BRUSSELS PHILHARMONIC

STÉPHANE DENÈVE, CONDUCTOR  
NIKOLAJ ZNAIDER, VIOLIN

Monday, March 11 at 8 pm

Dreyfoos Hall • Tickets start at \$35

- Guillaume Connesson/*Flammenschrift*
- Bruch/*Violin Concerto No. 1 in G minor, Op. 26*
- Roussel/*Bacchus and Ariadne, Suite No. 2, Op. 43*
- Ravel/*La Valse*

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**Beyond the Stage:** Join us for a pre-performance talk by Sharon McDaniel at 6:45 pm in Persson Hall.

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