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**JAVACYA ARTS CONSERVATORY ELITE ORCHESTRA & LEANDER A. KIRKSEY
ORCHESTRA ANNOUNCES THE 2017-18 SEASON**

Tallahassee, FL - Javacya Arts Conservatory Elite Orchestra & the Leander A. Kirksey Youth Orchestra are pleased to present an unforgettable concert season at St. Peter's Anglican Church, Tallahassee, FL.

Schedule of Events

Thursday, November 30, 2017, 6:30 pm - *Gloria*, by Randol Alan Bass, with *The Boys Choir of Tallahassee* and the *Javacya Elite Chamber Orchestra*, First Baptist Church, 108 W College Ave., Tallahassee, FL

Friday, January 19, 2017, 6:30 pm - *Javacya Elite Chamber Orchestra*, St. Peter's Anglican Church, Tallahassee, FL

Friday, March 23, 2017, 6:30 pm - *Javacya Arts Conservatory Elite Chamber Orchestra* and the *Leander A. Kirksey Youth Orchestra*, featuring pianist Joanna Sobkowska-Parsons on *Variations on I've Got Rhythm*, and excerpts from Schubert's Mass in G Major with St. Peter's Anglican Choir, St. Peter's Anglican Church, Tallahassee, FL

Season Highlights

Javacya founder and Conductor Patrice Floyd and Senior Conductor Ralph Jean-Paul have prepared a "Season of Inspiration and Vigor" of favorite orchestral, quartet, quintet, and choral works. Selections include *Gloria* by Randol Alan Bass with the renowned Boys' Choir of Tallahassee and an array of favorite choral and orchestral works with the St. Peter's Anglican Choir. A special piece for the season is George Gershwin's *I Got Rhythm Variations for Piano and Orchestra* featuring Polish piano virtuoso, Joanna Sobkowska-Parsons. The classic *Concerto for Two Violins* (often called the *Bach Double*) will feature tubist/conductor Ralph Jean-Paul and violinist Kalon Williams, concertmaster of

the Javacya Elite Chamber Orchestra. *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik* (all movements) by Mozart is also a featured work for the 2017-18 season. 10-year-old violinist Phillip Bond will perform Vivaldi's *Concerto in A minor*. Other pieces are *Summerland* arranged for quintet (flute, harp, violin, viola, and cello) by William Grant Still, and *Battlefield*, written by Floyd's son, Ashanti Floyd, better known as "The Mad Violinist" and will feature him on violin. Rounding off the season is a concert which will showcase gospel music and the Orchestra with acclaimed Jamaican singer, Glacia Robinson-Ally, an internationally respected vocal giant.

Patrice Floyd (founder of Javacya, conductor, violinist, and founding teacher for the Royal Conservatory of Music of Canada) has opened music conservatories in South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. Javacya's mission includes preparing students and orchestra members alike to be comfortable and well-prepared for all future platforms. "Javacya has mentored hundreds of children and many fine students have entered the professional world of music," said Floyd. "Our students and orchestra members are always striving for excellence."

Conductor Ralph Jean Paul is an Associate Professor of Tuba Studies and Associate Band Director at Florida A&M University. He is the director of the Javacya Elite Chamber Orchestra (*formerly known as the Mary Roberts Chamber Orchestra*).

St. Peter's Anglican Church is located at 4784 Thomasville Rd., Tallahassee, FL. Admission to all concerts is free; however, donations of \$20 are appreciated. For more information, contact Javacya Arts Conservatory at 850-590-1517, email info@javacyamail.com, or visit online at www.javacyaarts.com or <https://www.facebook.com/javacya>.

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