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## THE ATLANTA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA TO BE FEATURED ON NBC AFFILIATE WXIA-TV FOR TWO SPECIALS IN DECEMBER 2020

## Programs to highlight the ASO's return to the stage amid the COVID-19 crisis plus a festive holiday program

**ATLANTA** -- The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra (ASO) will appear on the NBC affiliated TV station WXIA-TV (11Alive) and its partner station WATL for two one-hour specials in December. *The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Plays On* will air on WXIA-TV on Dec. 12 at 7:00 p.m. and will re-air Dec. 13 at 11:00 a.m., and again on WATL on Dec. 13 at 8:00 p.m. *The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Holiday Celebration* will air on WXIA-TV on Dec. 19 at 7:00 p.m. and will re-air Dec. 20 at 11:00 a.m., and again on WATL on Dec. 20 at 8:00 p.m. In addition, the specials will be livestreamed and available to view from any location online at 11alive.com.

The first special, *The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Plays On* chronicles the ASO's perseverance and adaptability following the cancellation of 60 concerts and \$4 million in lost revenue due to the COVID-19 crisis. ASO musicians and administrative leaders will tell the story of how the Orchestra creatively redefined community and performance during this time apart.

The second special, *The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Holiday Celebration* will feature a festive program of classical holiday favorites and beloved carols to celebrate the magic of the season. Friends of the ASO will stop by to share their warm wishes with Atlanta and beyond.

The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Plays On and The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Holiday Celebration are presented by PNC, with additional support provided by Lettie Pate Evans Foundation.

## **About the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra**

The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra continues to affirm its position as one of America's leading orchestras with excellent live performances, renowned guest artist features and engaging education initiatives. As a cornerstone for artistic development in the Southeast, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra performs a full schedule of more than 150 concerts, including educational and community concerts, each year for a combined audience of more than a quarter million people.