# Artis—Naples

Home of The Baker Museum and the Naples Philharmonic

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# ARTIS—NAPLES ANNOUNCES SAFETY PROTOCOLS AND ENHANCEMENTS FOR THE 2021-22 SEASON

**NAPLES, FL (August 6, 2021)** – Today, in addition to announcing the full 2021-22 visual and performing arts season, Artis—Naples announced safety protocols and enhancements for the Kimberly K. Querrey and Louis A. Simpson Cultural Campus.

CEO and President Kathleen van Bergen said, "We are excited to be announcing a full slate of visual and performing arts offerings for the 2021-22 season. Equally important as the programming we have planned are the safety protocols and enhancements that we have brought to our cultural campus in order to provide a safe patron experience this season."

Artis—Naples safety policies and protocols will include the following:

- Per CDC guidelines, masks are optional for fully vaccinated patrons, and masks are required for unvaccinated patrons.
- All performances in Hayes Hall and Daniels Pavilion and exhibitions in The Baker Museum are presented with unrestricted audience capacity.
- All tickets may be exchanged up to two hours prior to the performance.
- Artis—Naples encourages anyone who is feeling ill or has been in contact with someone who has been feeling ill in the last 14 days to not attend events on the cultural campus.
- The bag-size policy remains in effect. Purses and other small bags may not exceed approximately 14 x 6 x 4 inches (totaling no more than 24 inches).
- Due to agreements with the producers of touring Broadway, Actors' Equity Association, the American Federation of Musicians and other involved parties, safety protocols for touring Broadway productions may differ from the protocols for other Artis—Naples events.

These policies and protocols will be reviewed regularly in order to remain in accordance with current federal, state and local government and department of health guidelines.

In addition to these policies and protocols, Artis—Naples has made a number of capital investments and commitments intended to further improve safety on the cultural campus.

Safety upgrades since summer 2020 include the following:

• Installation of needlepoint bipolar ionization (NPBI) system on 29 HVAC air handling units. This patented technology purifies indoor air by eliminating airborne particulates and pathogens in conjunction with increased filtration on the filters.

- Treatment of 55,000 square feet of surfaces around the cultural campus with the
  antimicrobial coating system MicroShield 360, including restrooms, door handles and
  patron seating. MicroShield 360 is an EPA registered and FDA approved antimicrobial
  technology used to create a coating on surfaces that neutralizes bacteria and viruses.
- Purchasing one large and six hand-held air-assisted misting machines used to sanitize spaces, including Hayes Hall and Daniels Pavilion between performances.
- Changing of more than 70 faucets on campus to touchless units.

For more information about the 2021-22 visual and performing arts season, visit artisnaples.org.

For the latest information about safety policies and protocols visit artisnaples.org/protocols.

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# **ARTIS-NAPLES**

Home of The Baker Museum and the Naples Philharmonic, Artis—Naples is unique among cultural institutions nationwide, equally dedicated to both the visual and performing arts featuring artists of global distinction.

## KIMBERLY K. QUERREY and LOUIS A. SIMPSON CULTURAL CAMPUS

Led by CEO and President Kathleen van Bergen and Sharon and Timothy Ubben Music Director Andrey Boreyko, we offer audiences more than 800 paid and free events annually within a variety of venues and settings situated throughout the 8.5-acre Kimberly K. Querrey and Louis A. Simpson Cultural Campus. Artis—Naples welcomes thousands of visitors each year for a broad array of artistic and educational opportunities perfect for audiences of all backgrounds and interests. The cultural campus is home to five buildings, including two performance halls (Frances Pew Hayes Hall and Myra J. Daniels Pavilion), The Baker Museum, the Toni Stabile Education Building and the Kohan Administration Building.

In the 2014-15 season, Andrey Boreyko assumed the title of music director and serves in this capacity for Artis—Naples. Boreyko is internationally recognized as one of the most exciting and dynamic conductors working today. This appointment, which concludes in 2022, is his first American post.

The Wall Street Journal says van Bergen and Boreyko have ushered in "an impressive new phase" for classical music in Southwest Florida.

#### NAPLES PHILHARMONIC

The Naples Philharmonic has long been recognized as one of the cornerstones of Southwest Florida's arts community. As part of Artis—Naples, the Naples Philharmonic performs more than 140 orchestral and chamber music concerts, as well as opera and ballet, education, community and special event concerts annually between September and June in the 1,477-seat Hayes Hall, the 283-seat Daniels Pavilion and around the Southwest Florida region. Jack Everly is Principal Pops Conductor and in the 2021-22 season celebrates 12 years in this role, bringing pops performances that celebrate music in its many forms. In 2017, Romanian conductor Radu Paponiu was named assistant conductor of the Naples Philharmonic and director of the Naples Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, and in 2019, he was promoted to associate conductor.

# THE BAKER MUSEUM

The Baker Museum is one of the foremost fine art museums in Southwest Florida. The museum hosts several traveling exhibitions annually to complement installations of works from its permanent collection. Comprising more than 4,000 objects, the museum's broad holdings of 20th- and 21st-century art reflect the generosity and commitment of area collectors. Of particular strength are The Baker Museum's collections of American and Mexican modern art and significant gifts from the personal collection of Olga Hirshhorn.

With more than two decades of collecting and exhibiting, the museum is dedicated to stewardship and scholarship from both its growing permanent collection and outside sources. At the same time, The Baker Museum seeks out the best traveling exhibitions from the leading arts institutions in the world—including recently the Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art and the Smithsonian Institutions—to enrich the Southwest Florida community.

In fall 2020, Artis—Naples celebrated the opening of an 18,000-square-foot expansion of The Baker Museum building, designed by Weiss/Manfredi Architecture/Landscape/Urbanism, that created new spaces for multidisciplinary exploration and social interaction.

#### EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY

In addition to creating and presenting visual and performing arts, Artis—Naples provides robust education and community activities for students of all ages. Each season thousands of Collier County Public Schools interact with Artis—Naples education programming both on its cultural campus and in classrooms. The Lifelong Learning program provides engaging lectures and study opportunities for adults seeking to engage more deeply with the arts.

The Friends of Artis—Naples, with more than 4,000 households who give \$75 or more, offers activities, travel experiences and events geared toward creating a deeper relationship between patrons and the arts.

In 2017, Artis—Naples acquired the Naples International Film Festival (NIFF), expanding its film offerings and providing a platform for the festival's continued excellence and growth. In 2019, NIFF was named one of *MovieMaker Magazine*'s Top 25 Coolest Film Festivals in the World, and in 2021 it celebrates its 13th year in the community.