

1,000 shows around the world for Bernstein's 100th anniversary year

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Leonard Bernstein



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Wherever you go in the next year, there Leonard Bernstein is. A monster centenary celebration kicks off Aug. 25 on [the late, great composer-conductor's](#) 99th birthday, continuing through what would have been his 100th on Aug. 25, 2018.

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Big shows on tap in Philly and with Philadelphians include the Philadelphia Orchestra's [Carnegie Hall season opener Oct. 4](#) playing Bernstein's film score to *On the Waterfront* and its Oct. 12-15 [Kimmel Center program](#) performing the complete *West Side Story* score. Curtis Opera Theatre will stage the former Curtis student's [1983 opera *A Quiet Place* at the Kimmel Center March 7-11](#). The National Museum of American Jewish History mounts a special exhibit, [Leonard Bernstein: The Power of Music](#) opening March 16.

Elsewhere on the Acela corridor, [the Kennedy Center](#) will offer a season's worth of presentations devoted to Bernstein's legacy, the

[New York City Ballet](#) and [American Ballet Theater](#) will present several ballets choreographed to his music, and the New York Philharmonic has a full centennial slate starting in October.

Worldwide, more than 1,000 events are planned on six continents. Is tonight the night for *West Side Story* in Oslo? Or Zürich? Or Amsterdam? You could hit them all – and that's just this month. The full global schedule for the 365-day extravaganza is on the [Bernstein at 100](#) website.