



TO: Mayor Linda Gorton  
Urban County Council Members

FROM: Heather Lyons, Mayor's Office

CC: Tyler Scott, Chief of Staff

DATE: June 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Contract Agreement with Singletary Center for the Arts

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**Authorization to:** Enter into a contract at a cost estimated not to exceed \$16,000.00 with the Singletary Center for the Arts for rehearsal, performance, and technical requirements for a free community concert as part of Lexington's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary year.

**Why are you requesting?** The LFUCG and 250LEX Commission will present a community concert as part of Lexington's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

The concert, 250LEX: A Concert for Lexington, will take place at the Singletary Center for the Arts on September 7, 2025. The concert will feature the world premiere of a composition by Shawn Okpebolo and will be performed by the Lexington Philharmonic. The concert will also present other celebrated Lexington performers, including Joselyn and the Sweet Compression, Ben Sollee, the Central Kentucky Youth Orchestra, and the Lexington Philharmonic's performance of compositions by noted African American Lexington composer, Julia Perry.

The concert will be held in the Singletary Center's Concert Hall with additional seating available in the Recital Hall via a livestream.

Tickets and activities will be provided free of charge to the audience. Expenses are required for the payment of the Singletary Center for rehearsal space, performance space, parking for performers, and all sound and video needs for the concert.

The agreement may be cancelled by LFUCG upon written notice at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the intended concert, and without liability, damages, fees, or penalty, upon written notice of either party in the event that the concert is unable to be held or where the parties are unable to fully perform the agreement, for reasons beyond the control of the parties.

**Department needs this action completed because:** The LFUCG will pay for the rental of the Singletary facility and other expenses as detailed in the contract.



**What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?** \$16,000 has been budgeted in FY26 for this contract. There will be no additional costs in the future budget years.

**Are the funds budgeted?** Yes.

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**Director/Commissioner:** Heather Lyons

