



Saturday | November 1, 2025 | 8pm
Berklee Performance Center

Cécile McLorin Salvant

Cécile McLorin Salvant vocals

Glenn Zaleski piano

Yasushi Nakamura acoustic bass

Kyle Poole drums

Selections will be announced from the stage.

*There will be no intermission in tonight's program,
which will run approximately 90 minutes.*

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ABOUT THE ARTIST

Composer, singer, and visual artist **Cécile McLorin Salvant** is passionate about storytelling and exploring connections between vaudeville, blues, folk traditions, theater, jazz, and baroque music. An eclectic curator, unearthing rarely recorded, forgotten songs with strong narratives, power dynamics, twists, and humor. She won the Thelonious Monk competition in 2010 and received Grammy Awards for three consecutive albums: *The Window*, *Dreams and Daggers*, and *For One To Love*. In 2020, she received the MacArthur fellowship and Doris Duke Artist Award. Her debut and follow up Nonesuch Records projects, *Ghost Song* (2022) and *Mélusine* (2023), have also each received two Grammy nominations. On September 19, 2025, Nonesuch released *Oh Snap* —an album comprised of twelve very personal songs composed and produced by Salvant. The album features longtime collaborators Sullivan Fortner, Yasushi Nakamura, and Kyle Poole, as well as cameos from singers June McDoom and Kate Davis.

From the Celebrity Series of Boston archives...

Cécile McLorin Salvant made her Celebrity Series debut in February 2015 with her trio, on a double bill with the Christian McBride Trio. Other engagements have been In February 2017, when she was vocalist in Aaron Diehl's Jelly and George program; March 2019, when she was part of Monterey Jazz Festival on Tour; and February 2020, when she appeared with pianist Aaron Diehl at Jordan Hall, a special venue for a jazz performance. Her February 2022 performance was hybrid, including a live audience with a virtual option through Celebrity Series At Home. Her most recent appearance on the Series was on February 2024. She makes her seventh Celebrity Series appearance this evening.



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