

Sunday Afternoons of Music 2011-2012

Our Thirty-First Season

Gusman Hall–Frost School of Music, University of Miami, 1314 Miller Drive, Coral Gables

Concert 1 - SATURDAY, September 10, 2011 - 7:30 pm

Ross Harbaugh, cello - Paul Posnak, piano

Ross Harbaugh is Professor of Cello at the Frost School of Music, University of Miami and cellist of the well-known American Bergonzi String Quartet. His distinguished teachers include Janos Starker, Leonard Rose and Peter Howard in the United States. He undertook study with the distinguished Juilliard Quartet. While at the Paris Conservatory he studied with Andre Navarra. **Harbaugh** served as a judge for the Fischhoff Chamber Music and the Stulberg Competitions, and the Fulbright Competition for Graduate Music Study Abroad.

Concert 2 - SATURDAY, December 10, 2011 - 7:30 pm

Ray Chen, violin – Julio Elizalde, piano

Winner of the Queen Elisabeth Competition (2009) and the Yehudi Menuhin Competition (2008), **Ray Chen** is among the most compelling young violinists today. His recent performances have enraptured both the audiences and the critics. Maestro Vengerov, who met Chen while serving on the jury of the Menuhin Competition, immediately engaged him to perform with the Mariinsky Theatre Orchestra in St. Petersburg as well as at the opening concert of the Menuhin Competition in April 2010 in Oslo.

Concert 3 - Sunday, December 18, 2011 - 7:30 pm

Elizabeth Caballero, soprano - Elaine Renaldi, piano

Cuban-American soprano **Elizabeth Caballero**, a Miami favorite, is becoming widely recognized for her fearless portrayals of the lyric soprano repertoire. **Caballero's** lustrous soprano is a model of strong clean technique and vocal control. The sheer beauty of her sound is beguiling. She immigrated to the United States in 1980 as a child via the Mariel Boatlift. She has performed at the Metropolitan Opera, Seattle, San Francisco and Florida Grand Operas as well as the Teatro Verdi di Trieste and many other venues.

Concert 4 - SATURDAY, January 7, 2012 - 7:30 pm

David Finckel, cello - Wu Han, piano

Cellist **David Finckel** and pianist **Wu Han** rank among the most esteemed and influential classical musicians in the world today. The talent, energy, imagination, and dedication they bring to their concert performances, go unmatched. Their duo performances have garnered superlatives from the press, public, and presenters alike. In high demand year after year among chamber music audiences worldwide, the duo appears each season at the most prestigious venues and concert series across the United States, The duo is regularly featured in the country's leading music festivals, including recitals at the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center and the Aspen Music Festival.

Concert 5- Sunday, February 12, 2012 - 4 pm

Miro String Quartet

Sandy Yamamoto, Daniel Ching, violin, John Largess, viola, Joshua Gindele, cello

Founded in 1995 at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music they are considered one of America's highest-profile chamber groups. They are winners of the Fischhoff, Banff, Coleman competitions as well as the prestigious Naumburg Chamber Music Award and the Cleveland Quartet Award. They are the first chamber music ensemble ever to be awarded the Avery Fisher Career Grant. They perform regularly in many of the world's greatest concert halls garnering praise from audiences and critics alike.

Concert 6 - SATURDAY, February 25, 2012 - 7:30 pm

Simon Trpceski, piano

With the ability to perform a diverse range of repertoire from Haydn and Chopin to Debussy and Stravinsky, **Trpceski** has established himself as one of the most remarkable young musicians to have emerged in recent years, performing with many of the world's greatest orchestras and captivating audiences worldwide. **Trpceski** is praised not only for his impeccable technique and delicate expression, but also for his warm personality and commitment to strengthening Macedonia's cultural image. **Trpceski** has appeared with many of the world's finest orchestras.

Concert 7 – Sunday, March 25, 2012 - 4 pm

Kirill Gerstein, piano

Russian-born pianist **Kirill Gerstein** is one of today's most intriguing young musicians. His masterful technique, musical curiosity, and probing interpretations have led to explorations of classical music and jazz, advanced degrees by the age of 20, a professorship in piano by the age of 27, and a full performance schedule at the world's major music centers and festivals. In January 2010 **Gerstein** was named the recipient of the 2010 Gilmore Artist Award, only the sixth musician to have been so honored.

Concert 8 - SATURDAY, May 19, 2012 - 7:30 pm

Sergei Krylov, violin - Pianist TBA

Born in Moscow into a family of musicians, **Sergei Krylov** started studying the violin at the age of five and made his debut with orchestra at age ten, performing in Russia, China, Finland and Germany. At a very young age he won First Prize at the International Competition "R. Lipizer" and, after studying with Salvatore Accardo, he was awarded First Prize at both the "A. Stradivari" Competition in Cremona and the prestigious "Fritz Kreisler" in Vienna. He has performed at many of the famous venues in Europe.

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