Chamber On The Mountain

Presented by the Happy Valley Cultural Center under the Artistic Direction of renowned harpist Heidi Lehwalder.

Chamber On The Mountain honors the traditional while celebrating the innovative and the intermingling of nascent talent with venerated masters.

Upcoming

In our Chamber On The Mountain music series...

Trio Cavatina, Ensemble Sunday, January 25, 2015 / 3:00 pm

Harumi Rhodes, *violin*; Priscilla Lee, *cello*; Ieva Jokubaviciute, *piano*

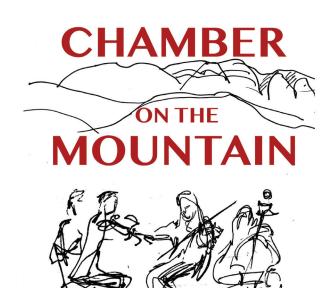
Timothy Chooi, Violinist with Robert Koenig, Pianist Sunday, March 15, 2015 / 3:00 pm

Julia Bullock, Soprano Sunday, October 4, 2015 / 3:00 pm

Arianna String Quartet & Heidi Lehwalder, Harpist Sunday, December 6, 2015 / 3:00 pm

Quartet: John McGrosso, *violin*; Julia Sakharova, *violin* Joanna Mendoza, *viola*; Kurt Baldwin, *cello*

The Happy Valley Cultural Center Presents



Michele Levin Pianist

Sunday, December 14, 2014 3:00 pm / Logan House

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Michele Levin, Pianist

Audiences and critics have acclaimed Michele Levin, pianist and composer, as a multi-faceted musician of extraordinary sensitivity, virtuosity, and dedication to the art of making music. Ms. Levin is a graduate of the Curtis Institute of Music with a double major in piano and composition. She began her studies there at the age of eleven and is the first woman to receive their Master's degree in Composition.

The Johann Sebastian Bach International Piano Competition in Washington DC awarded her First Prize in competition with pianists from fourteen countries. Ms. Levin has

performed as a soloist with the Philadelphia Orchestra, Boston Pops, Florida Philharmonic, Miami Chamber Symphony, Sinfonia Virtuosi, New World Symphony, Albany Symphony, and Virginia Symphony. She has also given solo and chamber music recitals in major cities throughout the US, Canada, Europe, Asia, and Central and South America.

Ms. Levin is very much in demand as a chamber musician, touring the world with violinists Peter Zazofsky, Joseph Silverstein, Ruggerio Ricci, Nina Beilina, Daniel Phillips, Mark Kaplan, Donald Weilerstein, Sydney Harth, Ik-Hwan Bae, Ida Levin, Maria Bachman, Arve Tellefson, Andrew Dawes, Lin Chang, and Yehonaton Berick; with violists Rivka Golani, Paul Neubauer, Atar Arad, Kirsten Johnson, Rainer Moog, and Jessie Levine; and with cellists Yehuda Hanani, Simca Heled, Ronald Thomas, and Wolfgang Boettcher. She has performed with clarinetists Mitchell Lurie, Alexander Fiterstein, Eli Eban, and Charles Neidich; with harpist Heidi Lehwalder; and with flutists Thomas Wolf, Carol Wincenc, and Eugenia Zuckerman.

Ms. Levin tours regularly with the Muir String Quartet and as a guest artist with the Miami String Quartet. In 2007, the Muir Quartet premiered her String Quartet No. 1, which she dedicated to the quartet. Her vast repertoire extends into the realm of vocal music, having given recitals with Metropolitan Opera vocalists Gwendolyn Bradley, Marvis Martin, Martina Arroyo, D'Anna Fortunato, Carol Farley, Lucy Shelton, and William Sharp. Ms. Levin records for Koch International, EcoClassics, Altarus, and the Canadian Broadcasting Companies. NPR regularly broadcasts her performances nationwide.



Lili Kraus

A Concert Grand Gift

Ruth Pope, daughter of Lili Kraus, one of the most extraordinary musicians of the twentieth century, has donated her mother's rare Hamburg Steinway concert grand piano to the Happy Valley Foundation, home of Chamber On The Mountain.

The 1964 Steinway Model C is valued not only because of its prestigious ownership, but because it was made in Hamburg, Germany, rather than Queens, New York, by C.F. Theodor

Steinway, considered the Steinway family's innovator and engineer *par excellence*. The Hamburg is rated a category one, best-in- class piano. Adding to its rarity, the Model C is no longer produced.

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A Commemorative Concert Honoring Legendary Pianist, Lili Kraus.

With gratitude to Lili's family for the gift of her Steinway.

Program

Rondo in a-minor, KV 511 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)

Sonata in a-minor, KV 310 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)

Allegro maestoso Andante cantabile con espressione Presto

Capriccio in b-minor Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

Op. 76, No. 2

Intermezzo in A Major Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

Op. 118, No. 2

Rhapsody in g-minor Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

Op. 79, No. 2

Variations sérieuses, Op. 54 Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)