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SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY'S CHAMBER MUSIC SERIES KICKS OFF OCTOBER 29 AT DAVIES SYMPHONY HALL

SFS celebrates 15 years of partnership with the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco in the 2017–18 season, presenting four chamber music concerts at the Legion of Honor on October 22, December 3, February 18, and May 13

October 29 concert at Davies Symphony Hall features Roussel's *Divertissement*, Dvořák's Piano Quartet in E-flat major, and George Crumb's *Black Angels*

2017–18 Davies Symphony Hall Chamber Music Series continues with concerts on February 4, February 25, April 15, May 6, and June 3

SAN FRANCISCO, CA—On **October 29**, members of the San Francisco Symphony (SFS), joined by guest pianists [Britton Day](#) and [Sayaka Tanikawa](#) present the first concert of the Davies Symphony Hall Chamber Music Series. The program opens with **Roussel's** lively *Divertissement*, performed by Principal Flutist [Tim Day](#), Principal Horn [Robert Ward](#), Associate Principal E-flat Clarinet [Luis Baez](#), oboist [Russ deLuna](#), bassoonist [Rob Weir](#), and pianist **Britton Day**, followed by **George Crumb's** *Black Angels* performed by violinists [Yun Chu](#) and [Sarn Oliver](#), violist [David Gaudry](#), and cellist [David Goldblatt](#). Crumb completed his dark and structurally complex *Black Angels* in 1970, commenting that it was “conceived as a kind of parable on our troubled contemporary world.” *Black Angels* calls for electric string instruments, with the musicians doubling on maracas, tam-tams, and crystal goblets, and remains Crumb's only string quartet to date. The concert concludes with **Dvořák's** enchanting **Piano Quartet in E-flat major** featuring pianist **Sayaka Tanikawa** with Principal Second Violin [Dan Carlson](#), Assistant Principal Cello [Amos Yang](#), and violist [Matthew Young](#).

Chamber music at Davies Symphony Hall continues with concerts on **February 4**, featuring **Jolivet's *Heptade for Trumpet and Percussion***, **Carter's *Con leggerezza pensosa – Omaggio a Italo Calvino***, **Janáček's *Mládí***, and **Tchaikovsky's *Sextet Souvenir de Florence***; and on **February 25** with a concert program that includes **Nino Rota's *Trio for Flute, Violin and Piano***, **Arensky's *Piano Trio No. 1 in D minor***, and **Dvořák's *Piano Trio No. 3 in F minor***. In the spring, SFS musicians and guest pianists present a program of **Mozart's *Divertimento in E-flat major***, **Martin's *Rhapsodie***, and **Bartók's *Sonata for Two Pianos and Percussion***, **April 15**; and **Fauré's *Piano Trio in D minor***, **Harbison's *String Quartet No. 2***, **Dvořák's *String Quartet No. 10 in E-flat major***, and **Christopher Rouse's *Ku-Ka Illimoku*** on **May 6**. The series wraps up with a final concert on **June 3**, which features **Martinů's *Piano Quartet No. 1***, **Shostakovich's *Quartet No. 14 in F-sharp minor***, **Doppler's *Souvenir du Rigi***, and **Brahms' *Trio in E-flat major***.

This season marks the 15th anniversary of the acclaimed **Legion of Honor Chamber Series**, presented by the San Francisco Symphony in collaboration with the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco. SFS Concertmaster [Alexander Barantschik](#), Associate Principal Cellist [Peter Wyrick](#) and pianist [Anton Nel](#) begin the series on **October 22** with performances of **Brahms' *Piano Trio No. 2 in C major*** and **Shostakovich's *Piano Trio No. 2 in E minor***. The series was launched in 2002 when the Fine Arts Museums honored Alexander Barantschik with an exclusive loan of the legendary Guarnerius del Gesù violin. "The David" Guarnerius del Gesù violin is dated to 1742 and was once owned by the virtuoso Ferdinand David. It was bequeathed to the Fine Arts Museums by famed violinist Jascha Heifetz upon his death in 1987, with the stipulation that it be "played on special occasions by worthy performers." Barantschik performs on this violin at all chamber concerts that are programmed and presented by the SFS at the Legion of Honor's Gunn Theater (previously named Florence Gould Theatre), as well as at SFS concerts in Davies Symphony Hall.

Other 2017–18 Legion of Honor Chamber Series concerts include performances of **Schubert's and Mendelssohn's *Second Piano Trios*** on **December 3**, followed by a program of **Haydn's *Piano Trio in C major***, **Debussy's *Selected Preludes from Book 1***, and **Beethoven's *Archduke Piano Trio*** on **February 18** with **Alexander Barantschik, Peter Wyrick, and Anton Nel**. The series concludes with a concert on **May 13**, featuring **Alexander Barantschik and Peter Wyrick**, joined by violinist **Florin Parvulescu**, Principal Viola **Jonathan Vinocour** and violist **Yun Jie Liu**, and Assistant Principal Cellist **Amos Yang**, performing **Shostakovich's *String Quartet No. 6*** and **Brahms' *String Sextet No. 2***.

CALENDAR EDITORS, PLEASE NOTE:

The Legion of Honor Chamber Series concerts take place in the John A. and Cynthia Fry Gunn Theater (previously Florence Gould Theatre), located at 100 34th Ave in San Francisco.

The Davies Symphony Hall Chamber Series concerts take place at Davies Hall, located at 201 Van Ness Ave, San Francisco.

Pre-Order Food and Drinks: Concertgoers may pre-order drinks and snacks [here](#) by 11am the day of a performance to arrange to have them ready at Davies Symphony Hall either before the concert or at intermission.

Tickets are available at sfsymphony.org, by phone at 415-864-6000, and at the Davies Symphony Hall Box Office, on Grove Street between Van Ness Avenue and Franklin Street in San Francisco.

CHAMBER MUSIC at THE LEGION OF HONOR

[Sunday, October 22, 2017 at 2 pm](#)

[Alexander Barantschik](#) violin

[Peter Wyrick](#) cello

[Anton Nel](#) piano

BRAHMS

Piano Trio No. 2 in C major, Opus 87

Alexander Barantschik violin

Peter Wyrick cello

Anton Nel piano

SHOSTAKOVICH

Piano Trio No. 2 in E minor, Opus 67

Alexander Barantschik violin

Peter Wyrick cello

Anton Nel piano

Tickets: \$65

CHAMBER MUSIC with MEMBERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

[Sunday, October 29, 2017 at 2 pm](#)

[Sarn Oliver](#) violin
[Dan Carlson](#) violin
[Yun Chu](#) violin
[David Gaudry](#) viola
[Matthew Young](#) viola
[David Goldblatt](#) cello
[Amos Yang](#) cello
[Tim Day](#) flute
[Russ deLuna](#) oboe
[Luis Baez](#) clarinet
[Rob Weir](#) bassoon
[Robert Ward](#) horn
[Britton Day](#) piano
[Sayaka Tanikawa](#) piano

ROUSSEL

Divertissement, Opus 6

Tim Day flute
Russ deLuna oboe
Luis Baez clarinet
Rob Weir bassoon
Robert Ward horn
Britton Day piano

George CRUMB

Black Angels

Sarn Oliver violin
Yun Chu violin
David Gaudry viola
David Goldblatt cello

DVOŘÁK

Piano Quartet in E-flat major, Opus 87, B.162

Dan Carlson violin
Matthew Young viola
Amos Yang cello
Sayaka Tanikawa piano

Tickets: \$40

CHAMBER MUSIC at THE LEGION OF HONOR

[Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 2 pm](#)

[Alexander Barantschik](#) violin
[Peter Wyrick](#) cello
[Anton Nel](#) piano

SCHUBERT

Piano Trio No. 2 in B-flat major D.898

Alexander Barantschik violin
Peter Wyrick cello
Anton Nel piano

MENDELSSOHN

Piano Trio No. 2 in C minor, Opus 66

Alexander Barantschik violin
Peter Wyrick cello
Anton Nel piano

Tickets: \$65

CHAMBER MUSIC with MEMBERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

[Sunday, February 4, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

[Yun Chu](#) violin
[Amy Hiraga](#) violin
[Eliot Lev](#) violin
[Nanci Severance](#) viola
[Matthew Young](#) viola
[Peter Wyrick](#) cello
[Barbara Bogatin](#) cello
[Amos Yang](#) cello
[Cathy Payne](#) flute
James Button oboe
[David Neuman](#) clarinet
[Jerome Simas](#) clarinet and bass clarinet
[Steven Dibner](#) bassoon
[Jessica Valeri](#) French horn
[Mark Inouye](#) trumpet
[Jacob Nissly](#) percussion

JOLIVET

Heptade for Trumpet and Percussion
I. Allegro
II. Cantante
IV. Veemente

Mark Inouye trumpet
Jacob Nissly percussion

CARTER

Con leggerezza pensosa – Omaggio a Italo Calvino
Eliot Lev violin
Jerome Simas clarinet
Barbara Bogatin cello

JANÁČEK

Mládí
Cathy Payne flute
James Button oboe
David Neuman clarinet
Jerome Simas bass clarinet
Steven Dibner bassoon
Jessica Valeri French horn

TCHAIKOVSKY

Souvenir de Florence, Sextet in D minor for Strings, Opus 70
Yun Chu violin
Amy Hiraga violin
Nanci Severance viola
Matthew Young viola
Peter Wyrick cello
Amos Yang cello

Tickets: \$40

CHAMBER MUSIC at THE LEGION OF HONOR

[Sunday, February 18, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

[Alexander Barantschik](#) violin
[Peter Wyrick](#) cello
[Anton Nel](#) piano

HAYDN

Piano Trio in C major, Hob.XV:27
Alexander Barantschik violin
Peter Wyrick cello
Anton Nel piano

DEBUSSY

Selected Preludes from Book 1
Voiles
Le sérénade interrompue
La fille aux cheveux de lin
Minstrels
Anton Nel piano

BEETHOVEN

Piano Trio in B-flat major, Opus 97, *Archduke*
Alexander Barantschik violin
Peter Wyrick cello
Anton Nel piano

Tickets: \$65

CHAMBER MUSIC with MEMBERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

[Sunday, February 25, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

[Diane Nicholeris](#) violin
[Melissa Kleinbart](#) violin
[Mariko Smiley](#) violin
[David Goldblatt](#) cello
[Amos Yang](#) cello
[Robin McKee](#) flute
[Gwendolyn Mok](#) piano
[Britton Day](#) piano
[Eric Zivian](#) piano

Nino ROTA

Trio for Flute, Violin and Piano
Robin McKee flute
Mariko Smiley violin
Britton Day piano

ARENISKY

Piano Trio No. 1 in D minor , Opus 32
Diane Nicholeris violin
David Goldblatt cello
Gwendolyn Mok piano

DVOŘÁK

Piano Trio No. 3 in F minor, Opus 65, B.130
Melissa Kleinbart violin
Amos Yang cello
Eric Zivian piano

Tickets: \$40

CHAMBER MUSIC with MEMBERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

[Sunday, April 15, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

[Helen Kim](#) violin
[Polina Sedukh](#) violin
[David Chernyavsky](#) violin
[Wayne Roden](#) viola
[Gina Cooper](#) viola

[Jonathan Vinocour](#) viola
[Sébastien Gingras](#) cello
[Stephen Tramontozzi](#) bass
[Jacob Nissly](#) percussion
[Edward Stephan](#) percussion
[Conor Hanick](#) piano
[Gloria Cheng](#) piano

MOZART

Divertimento in E-flat major, K.563

Helen Kim violin
Jonathan Vinocour viola
Sébastien Gingras cello

MARTIN

Rhapsodie

Polina Sedukh violin
David Chernyavsky violin
Wayne Roden viola
Gina Cooper viola
Stephen Tramontozzi bass

BARTÓK

Sonata for Two Pianos and Percussion

Jacob Nissly percussion
Edward Stephan percussion
Conor Hanick piano
Gloria Cheng piano

Tickets: \$40

CHAMBER MUSIC with MEMBERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

[Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

[Mariko Smiley](#) violin
[Sarn Oliver](#) violin
[Kelly Leon-Pearce](#) violin
[Nadya Tichman](#) violin
[Amy Hiraga](#) violin
[Nancy Ellis](#) viola
[Peter Wyrick](#) cello
[Margaret Tait](#) cello
[Jacob Nissly](#) percussion
[James Lee Wyatt III](#) percussion
[Tom Hemphill](#) percussion
[Raymond Froehlich](#) percussion
[Marc Shapiro](#) piano

FAURÉ

Piano Trio in D minor, Opus 120

Kelly Leon-Pearce violin
Margaret Tait cello
Marc Shapiro piano

HARBISON

String Quartet No. 2

Mariko Smiley violin
Sarn Oliver violin
Nancy Ellis viola
Margaret Tait cello

CHRISTOPHER ROUSE

Ku-Ka Ilimoku

Jacob Nissly percussion
James Lee Wyatt III percussion
Tom Hemphill percussion
Raymond Frohlich percussion

DVOŘÁK

String Quartet No. 10 in E-flat major, Opus 51

Nadya Tichman violin
Amy Hiraga violin
Nancy Ellis viola
Peter Wyrick cello

Tickets: \$40

CHAMBER MUSIC at THE LEGION OF HONOR[Sunday, May 13, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

[Alexander Barantschik](#) violin
[Florin Parvulescu](#) violin
[Jonathan Vinocour](#) viola
[Yun Jie Liu](#) viola
[Peter Wyrick](#) cello
[Amos Yang](#) cello

SHOSTAKOVICH

String Quartet No. 6 in G major, Opus 101

Alexander Barantschik violin
Florin Parvulescu violin
Jonathan Vinocour viola
Peter Wyrick cello

BRAHMS

String Sextet No. 2 in G major, Opus 36

Alexander Barantschik violin
Florin Parvulescu violin
Jonathan Vinocour viola
Yun Jie Liu viola
Peter Wyrick cello
Amos Yang cello

Tickets: \$65

CHAMBER MUSIC with MEMBERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY[Sunday, June 3, 2018 at 2 pm](#)

[Nadya Tichman](#) violin
[Polina Sedukh](#) violin
[Raushan Ahkmedyarova](#) violin
[Yun Chu](#) violin
[Matthew Young](#) viola
[Katie Kadarrauch](#) viola
[Amos Yang](#) cello
[Barbara Bogatin](#) cello
[Robin McKee](#) flute
[Robert Ward](#) horn
[Bruce Roberts](#) horn
[Marc Shapiro](#) piano
[David Gross](#) piano
[Britton Day](#) piano

MARTINŮ

Piano Quartet No. 1, H.287

Nadya Tichman violin
Matthew Young viola
Barbara Bogatin cello
Marc Shapiro piano

SHOSTAKOVICH Quartet No. 14 in F-sharp minor, Opus 142
Polina Sedukh violin
Raushan Ahkmedyarova violin
Katie Kadarach viola
Amos Yang cello

DOPPLER *Souvenir du Rigi*, Opus 34
Robin McKee flute
Robert Ward horn
Britton Day piano

BRAHMS Trio in E-flat major, Opus 40
Yun Chu violin
Bruce Roberts horn
David Gross piano

Tickets: \$40

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