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# iPalpiti Festival's Pulse of Music Beats Strong in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Decade

LOS ANGELES, CA (March 26, 2018) – The "world-class" *iPalpiti* Festival of International Laureates opens its 21<sup>st</sup> season **July 7** at Walt Disney Concert Hall with a gala concert celebrating Maestro Eduard Schmieder's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. The festival is celebrated as "**the** highlight of the summer [in Los Angeles]", and this year will include a post-concert dinner reception at the Founders Hall. The program will feature MAESTRO FAVORITES, including Bach's *Chaconne*, Anton Webern's *Langsamer Satz*, Tchaikovsky's *Rococo Variations*, and Mussorgsky *Pictures at an Exhibition*.

**Featuring** twenty-five international laureates from 22 countries including Ecuador, Turkey, Italy, Japan, Azerbaijan, Ireland and more, the acclaimed ensemble is known as the "United Nations of Classical Music." Starting with an artistic residence at Soka Performing Arts Center on June 28, the festival will present 14 concerts in prestigious venues throughout the Greater Los Angeles and San Diego Counties, concluding with a July 18 concert at Greystone Mansion in Beverly Hills. Between the Disney Hall and Greystone Mansion concerts, *iPalpiti* laureate soloists will be featured in solo and chamber ensembles, performing works by Janacek, Schubert, Berio, Brahms, Reger, Ripper, Schumann and Auerbach.

Since its inception as a non-profit in Los Angeles in 1997 by Russian émigré musicians Eduard and Laura Schmieder, with the blessing and support of the late, great violinist Lord Yehudi Menuhin, iPalpiti has been supporting, promoting and developing the careers of exceptional young professional classical musicians.

"Classical music is the spiritual factor which brings people together and unites them irrespective of religion and culture, appealing to sublime senses," stated Maestro Schmieder. In a spirit of giving to the community, *iPalpiti* ensures that a good proportion of its Festival performances are free to the public, and for paid performances gives a significant number of tickets (over 600) to under-served community organizations, shelters, youth music programs, public schools, and non-profit agencies serving economically disadvantaged and special needs groups. Local outreach programs include Student Coalition for the Arts and Mentor Program, this season with 300+ local schools' 5-12<sup>th</sup> graders.

Tickets range from \$10 - \$180. For the Disney Concert Hall performance, tickets are available through iPalpiti or at the Walt Disney Concert Hall Box Office. For ALL 2018 festival and gala tickets, or to donate to the organization, please call (310) 205-0511 or visit <a href="https://www.iPalpiti.org">www.iPalpiti.org</a>.

## About iPalpiti Artists International

*iPalpiti* Artists International is a non-profit organization founded in 1997 by internationally renowned violinists and music educators, Eduard and Laura Schmieder. *iPalpiti*'s humanitarian mission of cultural exchange has created a truly universal network of more than 370 artists from all over the world, promoting international understanding through music.

# iPalpiti Festival of International Laureates 2018 (21st season) Eduard Schmieder, Music Director and Conductor

The acclaimed "United Nations of Music"

**SCHEDULE** 

<u>JUNE 27 – JULY 4</u> *iPalpiti* in-residence at Soka Performing Arts Center, Aliso Viejo

**OPEN HOUSE performance: July 3, 7-8PM** 

THURSDAY, July 5 Preview: iPalpiti Orchestra / Eduard Schmieder

7:30PM | \$30 St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 890 Balour Drive, Encinitas | (760) 633-2746

Selections from Festival programs as announced from the podium

**SATURDAY, July 7** OPENING NIGHT GALA

7:00PM | \$10 - \$180 iPalpiti Orchestral Ensemble of International Laureates / Eduard Schmieder

Music Center's Walt Disney Concert Hall

111 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles | (800) 745-3000

**MAJESTIC CLASSICS:** 

**J.S. Bach** Chaconne for String Orchestra (arr. W. Zinn)

**Anton Webern** Langsamer Satz

**P.I. Tchaikovsky** Variations on a Rococo Theme, Op. 33, for cello and orchestra

Soloist: Eldar Saparayev/Kazakhstan-Switzerland

**Modest Mussorgsky** Pictures At An Exhibition

**Post-concert Party** 

Celebrating Maestro's 70th: BP Hall

\$360 \$100-180 Includes: VIP concert seating & seated dinner with Maestro and iPalpiti musicians

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SUNDAY, July 8

iPalpiti Soloists: DUO De Ascaniis

2:00PM | FREE DONATIONS AT THE DOOR

**Rolling Hills United Methodist Church** *Second Sundays at Two* 26438 Crenshaw Blvd., Rolling Hills Estates | (310) 377-6771

6:00PM | FREE Sundays Live! Bing Theatre, LACMA

5905 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles | (323) 857-6000

**Franz Schubert** Fantasie in C major, D.934 for piano and violin

**Leoš Janáček** Sonata for violin and piano

Con moto. Ballada. Allegretto. Adagio

& more announced from the stage

Davide De Ascaniis, violin, & Sara De Ascaniis, piano/Italy

MONDAY, July 9

iPalpiti Soloists

12:00PM | Rotary Club of Beverly Hills meets iPalpiti

BY INVITATION ONLY Beverly Hills Hotel

<u>JULY 12 - JULY 15</u>

*iPalpiti* Soloists in Encinitas

Concerts: Thursday, Friday, Saturday 7:30PM, Sunday 12:00PM, \$20.

Encinitas Library, 540 Cornish Drive (760) 633-2746

Violins: Davide De Ascaniis/Italy, Irakli Tsadaia/Georgia-Germany

Viola: Emma Wernig/Germany-USA Violoncello: Egor Antonenko/Russia Bass:Levi Jones/USA

Pianists: Sara De Ascaniis/Italy & So-Mang Jeagal/Korea

Daily *Virtuosi* concerts will showcase *seven iPalpiti soloists* in unique solo and chamber ensembles programs of rarely performed and popular works from Classic, Romantic, and Modern repertoire.

#### **THURSDAY, July 12** VIRTUOSI I: ONE TWO

Fritz Kreisler Praeludium and Allegro
Manuel de Falla Danse Espagnole
Niccolo Paganini Caprice N 13, Op. 1

(arr. Albert Markov)

**Luciano Berio** TANDEMONOS violin duo - Duos for two violins "Bruno"

Davide De Ascaniis/Irakli Tsadaia, violins

**J.S. Bach** Chorale Prelude 'Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ' BWV 639 (arr. Busoni)

Prelude in b minor (arr. Siloti)

Sara De Ascaniis, piano

Max Reger Suite N 1 in G minor, Op. 131d for viola solo

Molto sostenuto. Vivace. Andante. Molto vivace

Emma Wernig, viola

**Ernest Chausson** Poème, Op. 25

Irakli Tsadaia, violin/ Sara De Ascaniis, piano

**Robert Schumann** Adagio and Allegro, Op. 70

Egor Antonenko, cello/So-Mang Jeagal, piano

**Giovanni Bottesini** Gran Duo for double bass and violin

Davide De Ascaniis, violin /Levi Jones, bass/ So-Mang Jeagal, piano

#### FRIDAY, July 13 VIRTUOSI II: DUO DE ASCANIIS

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#### **SATURDAY, July 14** VIRTUOSI III: THREE FOUR

**Lera Auerbach** Piano trio No.2 Tryptych – This Mirror with Three Faces (2012)

Prelude, Moderato libero, Allegro appassionato, Tempo di valse. Tell'em What You See. Allegro assai. Postlude. Adagio nostalgico.

Sara De Ascaniis, piano/Davide De Ascaniis, violin/Egor Antonenko, cello

**Johannes Brahms** Piano Quartet No.3 in C minor, Op.60

Allegro non troppo. Scherzo: Allegro. Andante. Finale: Allegro comodo

So-Mang Jeagal, piano

Irakli Tsadaia, violin/Emma Wernig, viola/Egor Antonenko, cello

#### **SUNDAY, July 15** VIRTUOSI IV: BIG BANG

**12:00PM** Antonín Dvořák String Quintet No. 2 in G major, Op. 77 (B. 49)

I. Allegro con fuoco. II. Scherzo. Allegro vivace III. Poco andante IV. Finale. Allegro assai

Irakli Tsadaia & Davide De Ascaniis, violins

Emma Wernig, viola/Egor Antonenko, cello/Levi Jones, bass

Joao Guilherme Ripper Piano Quintet "From My Window No. 3"

Carnival Vertigo. Antique. Drums **So-Mang Jeagal, piano** 

Davide De Ascaniis, violin/Emma Wernig, viola/Egor Antonenko, cello/Levi Jones, bass

6:00PM | FREE iPalpiti Soloists at Sundays Live!

Bing Theatre, LACMA 5905 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles | (323) 857-6000 [SAME PROGRAM]

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TUESDAY, July 17

iPalpiti Soloists

12:00PM | FREE

Powell Library Rotunda, UCLA Election Walk, Los Angeles, CA 90095

Fritz Kreisler Praeludium and Allegro Manuel De Falla Danse Espagnole

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TANDEMONOS violin due Duce for

**Luciano Berio** TANDEMONOS violin duo - Duos for two violins "Bruno"

Davide De Ascaniis/Irakli Tsadaia, violins

**Zoltan Kodály** Serenade for two violins & viola, Op 12

Allegramente. Lento ma non troppo. Vivo

Davide De Ascaniis/Irakli Tsadaia, violins/Emma Wernig, viola

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WEDNESDAY, July 18

iPalpiti Soloists

7:30PM | \$50

**Greystone Mansion** 905 Loma Vista Dr, Beverly Hills, CA 90020

Favorite Selections from Festival programs will be announced from stage
FESTIVAL FINALE RECEPTION

**FULL SOLOISTS PROGRAMS/SCHEDULE: http://www.ipalpiti.org/ipalpiti-	festival-2017/festival-7-13-2017-soloists/
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