

Classical Crossroads, Inc.

and First Lutheran Church & School—Torrance Present Two Concert Series

The Interludes

previously *The Previews* — also presented Friday evenings in Encinitas and Sunday afternoons in 2014 in Beverly Hills

Winners of the Beverly Hills Auditions — Saturdays mostly at 3:30 p.m.

Monthly, September through June (except December)

Free, donations welcome

Saturday, September 21, 2013 at 3:30 p.m.

Two Beverly Hills Audition Winners in One Recital



An alumnus of NPR's *From the Top*, VIJAY VENKATESH is a 2009 Winner in National YoungArts Foundation, and he took 1st Prizes in the 2011 International Zimmerli Solo Piano Competition, among other wins.

Russian cellist EVGENY TONKHA won 1st Prize and the Gold Medal at the 12th International Cello Competition in the Czech Republic and the Special Jury Prize at the 13th International Tchaikovsky Competition.



Saturday, March 15, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.

First-Prize Winner: Asia-Pacific Young Artist Piano Competition

Pianist SOMANG JEAGAL graduated with the highest honors from Seoul National University for both his Bachelor and Master of Music degrees and is currently pursuing a Artist Diploma at the USC Thornton School of Music under Professor Kevin Fitz Gerald.



Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.

"An outstanding Russian pianist with a luxuriant tone"

— Mark Swed, Los Angeles Times



Born in Nizhny-Novgorod, Russia, pianist SVETLANA SMOLINA has performed with orchestras worldwide including solo appearances with the Mariinsky Philharmonic at Carnegie Hall, New York Philharmonic at Avery Fischer Hall, St. Petersburg Philharmonic, *Orchestra National de France*, and *iPalpiti* in Walt Disney Concert Hall, to name a few.

Saturday, October 19, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

Ensemble-in-Residence at UC Irvine

TRIO CÉLESTE — KEVIN KWAN LOUCKS piano
IRYNA KRECHKOVSKY violin, ROSS GASWORTH cello



This performance will feature the famed 1689 "Baumgartner" Stradivari violin on loan to Iryna from the Canada Council for the Arts.

Saturday, November 16, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

International Prize-Winning Artists

MORTAROTTI-TAZAWA DUO

During MICHAEL MORTAROTTI's eight-year tenure in the Mana Saxophone Quartet, the ensemble was awarded the coveted Alice Coleman Grand Prize at the Coleman International Chamber Competition.



ERIKA TAZAWA holds top prizes in numerous competitions including the Chopin Society of Thousand Islands International Competition, Empire State Piano Competition, Julia Crane Concerto Competition, and Tochigi Piano Competition.

Saturday, January 18, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.

ATAPINE-PARK DUO

Cellist DMITRI ATAPINE — "a splendid, elegant cellist, with a gorgeous sound" (*MundoClasico*) with "brilliant technical chops" (*Gramophone*), whose playing is "highly impressive throughout" (*The Strad*).



Pianist ADELA HYEYEON PARK is praised for her "very sensitive" (*Washington Post*) and "highly nuanced" (*Lucid Culture*) playing.



Both are Faculty Artists at University of Nevada Reno

Saturday, February 15, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.

Percussion Quintet Formed at the Colburn Conservatory

SMOKE & MIRRORS has championed the work of percussion masters. They also work with young composers who are just beginning their careers. Together, the five percussionists weave into filaments of sound and rhythm as if they were one person.



Saturday, May 17, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.

First- & Grand-Prize Winners of the 16th International Violin Competition 'Remember Enescu' in Romania (May 2013)

Winner of numerous national competitions including Grand Prize of the 'Remember Enescu' competition, SEIN AN, now 15, attends Temple University's Center for Gifted Young Musicians. Sein appeared on NPR's *From the Top* and as a soloist she has performed with the Wilmington Symphony, Temple University Symphony, and on tour with North Carolina Symphony.



First Prize winner of the 2012 Flame International Violin Competition in Paris and the 'Remember Enescu' Competition, SAMUEL NEBYU, of African-American and Jewish-European descent, has performed worldwide. He currently studies with Professor Eduard Schmieder in Philadelphia.

Saturday, June 21, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.

ALLANT TRIO

HYO KYOUNG BETH NAM piano
ANNA JIHYUN PARK violin, ALINA LIM cello

The three young Juilliard-trained artists of the New York City-based ALLANT TRIO are passionate about performing so that audiences of all ages and backgrounds can rediscover the power and beauty of chamber music. The trio participated in the Yehudi Menuhin Chamber Music Festival in San Francisco and a three-week performance residency at The Banff Centre in Canada.

