

Classical Pianist Zlata Chochieva Comes to Silicon Valley to Open Steinway Society Season 24

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Opening Steinway Society – The Bay Area’s 24th season, Russian pianist Zlata Chochieva brings a program with an exacting balance of subtlety and drama that highlights her talent. The concert is Saturday, September 15, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in San Jose’s Trianon theatre. An informative introduction to the music precedes the concert, and a meet-the-artist opportunity follows. Tickets are available at www.steinwaysociety.com.

WHO: Steinway Society – The Bay Area presents Zlata Chochieva

WHAT: Classical Piano Recital

WHEN: Saturday, September 15, 2018, 7:30 p.m.

WHERE Trianon Theatre, San Jose

Program:

- Bach-Rachmaninoff: Suite from Violin Partita in E (BWV 1006): Prelude, Gavotte & Gigue (transcription for piano)
- Chopin: Mazurka in A minor, Op. posth.S2 No. 5 (BI 140) (à Émile Gaillard)
- Scriabin: Mazurka Op. 3 No. 2 in F-sharp minor
- Chopin: Mazurka in C major B.82
- Scriabin: Mazurka Op. 25 No. 1 in F minor
- Chopin: Mazurka Op. 30 No. 1 in C minor
- Scriabin: Mazurka Op. 25 No. 7 in F-sharp minor
- Liszt: Valse oubliee No. 2, S.215/2
- Liszt: Mephisto Waltz No.2, S.515
- Rachmaninoff: Sonata #1 in D minor, Op. 28

TICKETS/INFO: Single Tickets: \$40-\$60. Senior/Student Discounts Available. www.steinwaysociety.com or [\(408\) 990-0872](tel:4089900872)

More information:

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— **Gramophone**

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Gramophone describes Zlata Chochieva as “the possessor of a comprehensive technique who brings an inner glow to every bar.” Grammy-nominated pianist Stephen Kovacevich calls her “*one of the most interesting and unusual pianists today. She has superb technical abilities, but it is her personal intuition in the music she plays that is special. I would be interested to hear anything she does and that is rare.*”

Zlata made her first stage appearance at age five, and gave her debut with an orchestra two years later performing Mozart’s Concerto No. 17 at Grand Hall of Moscow State Conservatory. When she was 12, the Moscow-born prodigy gave a full recital at Rachmaninov Hall of Moscow Conservatory which was broadcast on Russian television and prompted an enthusiastic newspaper critic to write: “One was impressed with no means childish contents of the concert programme. And yet — the meaningfulness of style, combined with the technical boundlessness.”

She then caught the attention of Mikhail Pletnev, and was invited to play with the Russian National Orchestra and study with Pletnev as one of only two students at that time. In 2005, she was also named «Honorable Artist of the North Ossetia Republic», becoming the youngest ever artist to hold such a distinction. In 2012, she graduated with distinction from Moscow State Conservatory under the instruction of Pavel Nersessian.

Zlata Chochieva continues to gain fame and recognition, including top prizes in 14 international competitions. She has played in the world’s leading concert halls as a soloist and with major orchestras including «Russian National Orchestra», Danish Tivoli Orchestra», and Slovak Radio Symphony Orchestra.

She has recorded three CDs for Piano Classics. The first, of Rachmaninoff’s Variations on a Theme of Chopin and Sonata No. 1, which led one reviewer to call her a “pianist’s pianist.” Her 2014 Chopin Complete Etudes disc was nominated

for the German Record Critics' Award, (selected as an Editor's Choice in Gramophone, and included in Gramophone's list of 50 greatest Chopin recordings.

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