

Steinway Society Announces New Locations for 25th Season

Classical piano performances to be held throughout the San Jose area

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San Jose, CA –Steinway Society – The Bay Area has revised its 25th Season performance schedule, as a result of the sale of Trianon Theatre, the traditional location for most of the group’s concerts over the last several years.

Bay Area favorite Jon Nakamatsu will perform in the inaugural **Frieda Ann Murphy Memorial Concert co-sponsored by Santa Clara Branch, Music Teachers’ Association of California** on September 21, 2019 at McAfee Performing Arts and Lecture Center in Saratoga. The season continues with monthly concerts through May 16, 2020 at four other convenient locations in the San Jose area.

“While we are sorry to lose Trianon as a venue for our concerts, we now have an opportunity to bring internationally acclaimed artists to a broad range of locations in the San Jose area,” said Kathy You Wilson, President of the Board of Steinway Society. “We believe this will allow us to expand our audience by making classical piano music more accessible to both students and the community.”

PERFORMANCE LOCATIONS

This season, Steinway Society performances will be held at five locations around San Jose:

- **September 21:** McAfee Performing Arts and Lecture Center, 20300 Herriman Avenue, Saratoga.
- **October 27, January 11, and February 9:** Hammer Theatre, 101 Paseo de San Antonio, San Jose
- **November 17:** Independence High School, 617 N. Jackson Avenue, San Jose
- **December 8, March 21, and May 16:** West Valley College, 14000 Fruitvale Avenue, Saratoga.
- **April 18:** San Jose Women’s Club, 75 S. 11th Street, San Jose

THE CONCERT LINE-UP

Nine outstanding international artists comprise this year’s performers:

Jon Nakamatsu

Saturday, September 21, 2019–7:30 PM

McAfee Performing Arts Center, Saratoga

This Stanford-educated San Jose native, Gold Medal winner of the 1997 Van Cliburn competition, is a Bay Area favorite. He has recorded 13 CDs, earned elite international

status, and been a guest speaker at the Van Cliburn Foundation, Stanford University, and the Juilliard School.

Anna Dmytrenko

Sunday, October 27, 2019–2:30 PM

Hammer Theatre, San Jose

Trained at Juilliard and London’s Royal Academy of Music, this Ukrainian-American pianist has taken Gold at multiple international competitions.

Heejae Kim

Sunday, November 17, 2019–2:30 PM

Independence High School, San Jose

A “pianist of passion and sensitivity,” this South Korean artist was lauded as the audience favorite at the Leeds Competition, one of the world’s most prestigious piano competitions.

Albert Cano Smit

Sunday, December 8, 2019 – 2:30 PM

West Valley College, Saratoga

His First Prize at the 2017 Naumburg Piano Competition has put this 21-year-old Swiss-born pianist on the fast track to fame.

Alessio Bax & Lucille Chung

Saturday, January 11, 2020–7:30 PM

Hammer Theatre, San Jose

An exciting duo, this couple has been called one of the most “appealing and impressive piano duets of our time.” Italian-born Alessio, is a First Prize Winner of the Leeds International Piano Competition and the Hamamatsu International Piano Competition. Montreal-born Lucille is a First Prize Winner of the Stravinsky International Competition.

Daria Rabotkina

Sunday, February 9, 2020– 2:30 PM

Hammer Theatre, San Jose

Her solo appearance with the San Francisco Symphony under the baton of Michael Tilson Thomas and recitals at Kennedy Center and Carnegie Hall have added luster to this gifted artist's growing international presence.

Alexander Sinchuk

Saturday, March 21, 2020– 7:30 PM

West Valley College, Saratoga

First prizewinner at the 2008 International Rachmaninoff and the 2012 International Horowitz piano competitions, Sinchuk has an affinity for the romantic corners of the repertoire]

Juho Pohjonen

Saturday, April 18, 2020– 7:30 PM

San Jose Women's Club, San Jose

The Finnish pianist returns to the Bay Area following wide acclaim for his performances with the San Francisco Symphony and at Music@Menlo. Sir Andras Schiff recently chose him to play at Germany's prestigious Klavier Festival.

Federico Colli

Saturday May 16, 2020 –7:30 PM

West Valley College, Saratoga

Italy's Colli has taken home the Gold at the Leeds Competition and is internationally recognized for his sublime interpretations and brilliant technique.

TICKETS/INFO

Steinway Society offers subscription series and single event tickets. The season includes both afternoon and evening performances.

On sale now:

- Season Subscriptions (8 or 9 concerts) from \$240 to \$390
- Mini-Series Subscription (4 concerts) from \$145 to \$200

In addition to receiving a discount off single ticket prices, subscribers can reserve seats throughout their series, exchange tickets, and attend In-Home Salons. All concertgoers can enjoy complementary pre-concert lectures and post-concert meet-the-artist opportunities.

Single Tickets from \$40 to \$60 will be on sale **starting July 8**.

Senior/Student Discounts are available for both subscriptions and single tickets.

To reserve tickets, go to www.steinwaysociety.com or call (408) 990-0872.

ABOUT US: Steinway Society - The Bay Area is a non-profit organization based in Silicon Valley. Now in its 25th year in San Jose, CA, Steinway Society brings together a dedicated group of musicians, pianists, teachers, and arts lovers to promote excellence in piano performance and music education. Each season, the organization presents a series of classical piano concerts featuring international award-winning pianists, and works with students and school leaders to bring musical performances to local schools.

For more information on this season's artists, programs, and Steinway Society, visit www.SteinwaySociety.com.

PHOTO: Award winning Ukrainian-American pianist Anna Dmytrenko, known for her keyboard mastery and elegant refinement, will be the featured artist on October 27th in the Steinway Society – Bay Area’s 25th Anniversary Season, at Hammer Theatre in San Jose.

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Hi-res photos of all artists are available via marketing@steinwaysociety.com

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