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Dear Friends and Music Aficionados:

We are delighted to bring you the good news that we are moving forward with our 24th festival! As LIVE concerts will take place in all scheduled venues - even with post-covid provisions - *iPalpiti* musicians will infuse all performances with their "trademark" of "positive emotional energy, sending a message of UNITY and HOPE."

This Festival, 23 musicians from 18 countries were selected to be featured in nine scheduled concerts during July 15-24. Amidst much uncertainty, Maestro and I were thinking of programs to gift our dear audiences heart-filled, soulful performances of truly special selections that epitomize media's universal praises, including "... *iPalpiti Festival has become one of the highlights – in some years, **the** highlight – of the summer here*" - R. Ginell, *American Record Guide*, 2015

During the "streaming" season, musicians were grateful to hundreds of virtual audiences and to all those who sent contributions. The affirmations that their craft matters kept their spirit and hopes buoyed up. But now, the need is to support LIVE artists in LIVE performances in your community.

Looking forward to greeting you IN PERSON at the concerts!



iPalpiti 2019 (Last Live Photo on Stage) Dana Ross, Photographer

"...inspired young musicians of iPalpiti from around the globe are united in their hope of bringing beauty into your life through celestial sound, vital rhythm, and eternal loving energy. May we all be blessed by the touch of higher harmony! "

-Maestro Eduard Schmieder



24th ANNUAL
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JULY 15 - JULY 24
2021

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FEATURED SOLOISTS



ELVIN HOXHA GANIYEV, violinist/Azerbaijan-Turkey
iPalpiti Special Prize recipient 2021

Elvin is the youngest musician presented with the certificate and badge of the honorary title of Honoured Artist of Azerbaijan for his merits in the development of Azerbaijani culture (2018) and is the recipient of the 2019 IKSU Istanbul Culture and Arts Foundation Aydin Gun Encouragement Award. Since the age of 10 when Elvin made his debut with Moscow Virtuosi under the baton of Vladimir Spivakov at the Kremlin Palace, he has performed with Vladimir Fedoseyev, Vladimir Ashkenazy, and Placido Domingo, among others.

JAEWON WEE, violinist/South Korea

This May, Jaewon won the Second Prize and the **Special iPalpiti Prize** at the George Enescu International Competition 2020-21 in Bucharest where she performed Brahms' Violin Concerto with the "George Enescu" Philharmonic Orchestra at the Romanian Athenaeum, a capital's landmark since 1888.

A winner of the Grand Prix and first prizes in numerous national and international competitions, most recently Jaewon performed Prokofiev' 2nd violin concerto at Lincoln Center, Alice Tully Hall as a winner of the Juilliard School Concerto Competition. As a soloist, she has appeared with many orchestras including New Russia State Symphony Orchestra and Korean Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra.



JACOPO GIACOPUZZI, pianist/Italy-USA



iPalpiti artist since 2013, Jacopo returns this season as an Official Pianist of the 24th season. Multi-talented, with boundless energy, Jacopo performs as a soloist, chamber musician, and in any performances he can fit into his schedule as a successful realtor, franchise creator, avid surfer, also finding time to oversee the *iPalpiti* website, create CDs, videos and much more.

SAMUEL NEBYU, violinist/Hungary-Ethiopia

Winner of numerous international competitions, violinist-in-residence at the prestigious Queen Elisabeth Music Chapel in Belgium, Samuel was featured with the *iPalpiti* orchestra in LA at the Wallis Annenberg Center (2015) and at Disney Concert Hall (2017). His CD "Violin Gems from Black Composers" received Grammy nomination & named Best Album of the Year by numerous classic radio stations across the nation, including KUSC-FM, now often heard on KUSC playlists.



"Year after year you give us a gift for the best concert in town"

- Denis Bade,
 LA Philharmonic
 program writer,
 musicologist



WELCOME :

Mikhail Gershfeld took the helm as a returning chairman.

Mikhail was the first Chairman of the *iPalpiti* (then Young Artists International) 1999 -2000. In this photo are the "originals": Gershfeld brothers Jack (Left) and Mikhail (Right) with spouses Lola & Tonia (sisters) with Maestro & Laura at the 2018 gala at Disney Hall, celebrating Maestro' 70th. Mikhail created the first logo and Jack created the first website.



New Board Members: Lauren Dani & Stefan Ashkenazy



Stefan's Petit Ermitage hotel has been a fabulous and generous home for *iPalpiti* festivals' musicians, creative space for 24/7 encouraged practice, where hotel guests immersed in the music-making, improvised performances, and admiring hotel staff taking a full row at Disney's grand finale concerts season after season. Perpetuated by Stefan's love and appreciation for music and arts, this year will culminate at Stefan's new dream creation: [Elsewhere Topanga Estate](https://elsewherecalifornia.com/) <https://elsewherecalifornia.com/>

Miss Nations of the World California Ambassador 2017, Lauren has been an audience fan of *iPalpiti* since 2015. A SoCal native, she is a certified Community Resiliency Model teacher at the Trauma Resource Institute, working with front-liners during the pandemic, Latinx gang-affiliated youth and also a mentor and writing teacher serving youth in the juvenile justice system. She is an American Cancer Society Young Professionals Network LA/OC Chair, and a former Miss Asia USA California.

On July 22 join us for a magical evening at Elsewhere Topanga Great Hall



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WE ARE GRATEFUL TO ALL OF OUR SUPPORTERS, DEDICATED AND NEW.

iPalpiti performances and programs have won unanimous praise around the world. Our Donors list was significantly depleted during the COVID year and we desperately need to replenish it.

THIS IS THE BEST TIME to support LIVE artists in LIVE performances in your community.

During last 18 months musicians were forced to struggle for basic necessities.

We are determined to help our artists in these still extraordinary difficult times.

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June 15, 2020 – June 15, 2021
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iPalpiti 24th Festival LIVESTREAM, the first post-COVID live social event, took place on Sunday June 6, 2021, in the gardens of our Vice Chair Ada Sands in Brentwood. The "abridged" version of the four-hour "coming-out" event was livestreamed; with cocktails, exquisite catered dinner and moving presentations from attending benefactors and *iPalpiti* orchestra in select short performances. All intended as a glimpse of anticipation for *iPalpiti's* Festival this July, with nine LIVE concerts featuring 23 prize-winning musicians from 18 countries. Watch it on [youtube/ipalpitimusic/video](https://youtube.com/ipalpitimusic/video)



Ada Sands welcomes guests throughout the evening



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Argentinian Soprano Camila Lima gave an enchanting performance of "Tango to Opera" selections.

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EDUARD SCHMIEDER, MUSIC DIRECTOR AND CONDUCTOR

Festival opens in Encinitas, Southland host of iPalpiti since 2012

THURSDAY, JULY 15, 7:30PM Encinitas Library

VIRTUOSI I: Violin Extravaganza

iPalpiti violinists play their favorites for the audiences' delight

FRIDAY, JULY 16, 7:30PM Encinitas Library

VIRTUOSI II: Jaewon Wee, violinist

iPalpiti Special Prize recipient 2021

Stravinsky & Schubert

SATURDAY, JULY 17, 7:30PM Encinitas Library

VIRTUOSI III: Elvin Hoxha Ganiyev, violinist

iPalpiti Special Prize recipient 2021

From Homeland: Azerbaijani & Turkish composers

Jacopo Giacomuzzi, pianist in all three concerts

SUNDAY, JULY 18, 3:00PM Conrad Prebys Perf. Arts Center

iPalpiti Orchestra / Eduard Schmieder

FOR THE SOUL:

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P.I. Tchaikovsky Souvenir D'un Lieu Cher

Elvin Hoxha Ganiyev, violin soloist

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Samuel Nebyu, violin soloist

MONDAY, JULY 19, 6:00PM Petit Ermitage

iPalpiti Soloists

TUESDAY, JULY 20, 6:00PM Greystone Mansion Courtyard

iPalpiti Orchestra/Eduard Schmieder

Maestro's Selections

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 7:30PM Greystone Mansion

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*For practical post-covid reasons, this season's finale will take place at the historic Saban Theatre in Beverly Hills. We will return to Disney Hall for our 25th anniversary in 2022

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