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Dear Friends and Music Lovers!

In just a few weeks, the iPalpiti Festival returns to Los Angeles for its 19th annual musical celebration. We invite you to welcome **25 prize-winning musicians** from 18 countries in **15 events, from July 7 to July 24.** The Festival opens in Encinitas, CA: from July 7 to 10, daily *Virtuosi concerts* will showcase seven *iPalpiti Soloists* individually and in chamber ensembles featuring rarely performed and popular works from the classic, romantic, and modern periods. This will be our 4th season at the **Encinitas Library**, where we now have a growing and enthusiastic following. It opens with **CLARINETOMANIA: DUO Gurfinkel** - twin brothers Alex & Daniel from Israel - performing popular miniatures including Mozart, Paganini, Gershwin, and Klezmer in special arrangements for two clarinets.

The Festival moves north on July 10, for a week-long residency at the new **Wallis Annenberg Performing Arts Center** in Beverly Hills, with a concert on **July 15** featuring Mendelssohn's Sinfonia, Vivaldi's Concerto for 4 Violins, and the showpiece Carmen Fantasy by Franz Waxman. Our soloist will be a new "*iPalpiti Junior*" artist, virtuoso violinist Samuel Nebyu, of African-American & Jewish-European descent.


And there is more.....Choose from FREE chamber music offerings at LACMA: on **July 10**, Brahms' Clarinet Trio & Quintet and on **July 17**, the ravishing Enescu Octet, salon concerts in Beverly Hills at the Greystone Mansion, and the social highlight of the Festival, the private Meet the Artists Gala.

New this season is a CROSSOVER night at the Greystone Mansion Courtyard on **July 20: iPalpiti and Jazz collective Sasha's Bloc** will blend in arrangements of original selections from Joplin, Gershwin, Gade-Grapelli, and the band's own repertoire. Sasha's Bloc evokes the Big Band Jazz Sound of the 1920s-40s, with guest vocalists **Jane Monheit** and **Alvin Chea**. The program will include commissioned composition for both ensembles by **Grammy-winning composer/pianist Bill Cunliffe**.

And then the grand finale on **July 23rd at Walt Disney Concert Hall!** Maestro Schmieder will present a program he titled a "CIRCLE OF LIFE," including **Tchaikovsky's The Seasons** and **Schubert-Mahler's remarkable Death and the Maiden**. "*Schmieder's programming [is] imaginative and unpredictable. He isn't afraid to select favorites from the past in styles that have gone out of fashion; nor is he reluctant to try new things.*" —American Record Guide

Theodore Bikel once said of Eduard: "He cannot play a meaningless note. This is what his musicians and listeners draw from him—his enormous conviction in the power and significance of music."

Come to one or come to all Festival concerts. You, our supporters, friends, and audience, best support us by coming to the concerts and events, buying tickets not only for yourself but for your friends, and introducing other music lovers to iPalpiti! **Let's keep the iPalpiti fire burning bright!**


Laura Schmieder, director



L-R: HAUYUE LIAO, CHINA; JACOPO GIACOPUZZI, ITALY; JULIA CLANCY, USA; DAVIDE DE ASCANIIS, ITALY; CARL-OSCAR ØSTERLIND, DENMARK; ALEXANDER & DANIEL GURFINKEL, ISRAEL

iPalpiti Festival opens in Encinitas, CA with daily concerts by SEVEN select iPalpiti Soloists in Virtuosi Series July 7-10 at the Encinitas Library with an ocean view. Entire iPalpiti Orchestra will return for a concert on July 16th.

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"Exhilaration, thrills, and awe conquer audiences faced with irrepressible virtuosity and musical achievement of emerging young performers. These are the stock in trade of Young [iPalpiti] Artists International."

- Daniel Cariaga,
Los Angeles Times
(2001)

YEHUDI MENUHIN CENTENARY

This Festival is dedicated to the legendary violinist LORD YEHUDI MENUHIN, as the world celebrates his Centenary. Lord Menuhin was an enthusiastic supporter and advisor in founding iPalpiti [Young] Artists International. Lord Menuhin and Eduard Schmieder began an active collaborative exchange in the 1980s with Lord Menuhin coming to LA and teach Prof. Schmieder's class at USC, and Schmieder teaching classes at Yehudi Menuhin School in London.

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Ms. Laura Schmieder
Artistic Director
Young Artists International, Inc.
2430 Apollo Drive
Hollywood Hills, CA 90046

August 14, 1997

Dear Laura,

Many thanks for your good letter of July 31. Your efforts for young artists are most commendable

I will join your already very distinguished board of Artistic Advisers.

Regarding the letter of endorsement that you ask me for, may I suggest a few lines like the following?

Young Artists International, Inc. is an organization that consists of active and practising musicians following the dictates of their conscience, i.e. their responsibility to the younger generations. I endorse it with all my heart.

Sincerely O.K.?
Yehudi Menuhin

USC Daily Trojan

April 11, 1988

transcript



Legendary violinist Yehudi Menuhin exhorts a student during a recent master class he conducted in Hancock Auditorium. The class launched an exchange program between Menuhin and violin professor Edward Schmieder, who this summer will teach master classes for two weeks at the Yehudi Menuhin School in England.



Schmieder & Lord Menuhin

On the jury of the
Queen Elisabeth International
Violin Competition
Brussels, Belgium (1997)

SEASON MEMENTOS

Benefactors and iPalpiti Musicale events

iPalpiti in New York

After his successful debut at Carnegie Hall, next day, February 14, illustrious iPalpiti Alumnus gave private performance for iPalpiti's NY patrons at the home of Susan & Charles Avery Fisher – hosts of iPalpiti Musicales since 2007.



L-R: PAVEL, SVETLANA SMOLINA (iPalpiti ALUMNA, PAVEL'S PIANIST AT FISHERS EVENT), SUSAN FISHER, EDUARD & LAURA SCHMIIEDER, CHIP FISHER



Post-concert at Carnegie Hall backstage

"...Pavel Šporcl is a virtuoso of the first order"
- Anthony Aibel, New York Concert Review



L-R: SVETLANA, MAESTRO EDUARD & LAURA SCHMIIEDER, PAVEL, MRS. & PROF. MASAO KAWASAKI.

Prior to his concerts in NY, Pavel went on a Bach Marathon tour and recorded 2 CDs of all the Bach solo music for Supraphon.



Laurence Vittes wrote in the Strings Magazine, "When I was in Prague last year covering the Dvorak Festival, I heard Pavel Šporcl give a brilliant performance of the first Martinu Violin Concerto; it was with the Prague Symphony Orchestra conducted by Pietari Inkinen... I have known and admired Pavel for several years, both through his recordings and several live opportunities with iPalpiti."

Benefactors concert in Los Angeles

On April 19, **Juan-Miguel Hernandez** – another great alumnus, now a violist in the famed Fine Arts Quartet – performed in a duo with the new iPalpiti pianist **Jacopo Giacomuzzi** (Italy). Event was generously hosted by long-time supporters Dr. & Mrs. Saeed Hakim, who was an "original" member of the board.



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News from Alumni

iPALPITI COUPLE:

Mari-Liis Pakk, violinist/Estonia & **Jason Calloway**, cellist/USA

Met in iPalpiti in 2006, married two seasons later, this (not the only one) iPalpiti Couple makes their home in Miami. **Mari-Liis** is a member of the Florida Grand Opera Orchestra, the Nu Deco Ensemble and is the director of orchestra & strings at Miami Arts Charter School.



Jason is a member of the **Amernet Quartet** since 2010.



Called "One of America's finest ensembles" by Cincinnati Enquirer and praised in the STRAD review on their Merkin Hall'NY concert review for "conviction, commitment, and character," **Amernet** tours internationally, currently on their 4th tour of Israel.
www.amernetquartet.com



CATHARINA CHEN, First Concertmaster Oslo National Opera/Norway. Besides leading the opera, Catharina travels and performs extensively as a soloist: this season she performed in a quartet with Kian Soltani (iPalpiti alumnus cellist) at Schubertiade festival, Austria; in Hanoi, Vietnam and Rzeszow, Poland - performing Mendelssohn Violin Concerto with their State Symphony Orchestra. In Arkhangelsk, Russia she soloed with the State Chamber Orchestra, premiering Violin Concerto by Martin Romberg and Grieg Violin Sonata no.1 arranged for Chamber Orchestra. In Bangalore, India she taught and gave solo recital for children and teachers at SaPa school of music (founded by the guru violinist Dr. Subramaniam). She is the Artistic Director of the Tweed Music Festival and also is a board member of Oslo Camerata. www.catharinachen.no

Pianist LUIZA BORAC, Steinway Artist and BBC Music Award winner received praise for her recent album **Chants nostalgiques CD**: "superb sound" Fanfare, "a veritable tour de force" Gramophone, "perfekt" Piano News.
www.luizaborac.com





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Recorded live at the Walt Disney Concert Hall, July 25 2015, "Dances and Romances from the Heart of the Old World" was a new label for an old concept, a throwback to the days when short classical pieces were marketed on 78 rpm records and played regularly at "pops" concerts. In quick succession, iPalpiti turned out Bartok's Romanian Folk Dances, Borodin's Nocturne, Boccherini's famous Minuet, the Waltz from Tchaikovsky's Serenade for Strings, the Rigaudon from Grieg's Holberg Suite, an oddball adaptation of Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2, and, as an encore, Khachaturian's 'Sabre Dance'. In this company, Schnittke's 'Mischievous Polka' was not at all out of place. Although a few conductors like Michael Tilson Thomas and Leonard Slatkin have reembraced this tradition, one doesn't encounter it very often in the overture-concerto symphony world. The key to bringing this concept back to life is to invest as much care, nuance, and energy into these pieces as one might for a Brahms symphony. And iPalpiti did just that.

—Richard Ginell, American Record Guide(November 2015)

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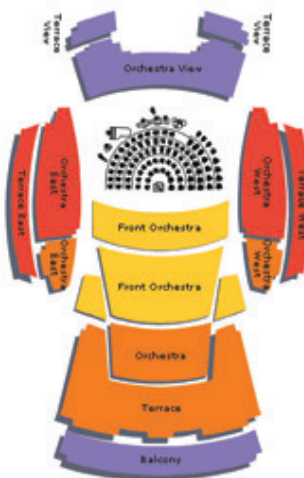
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THURSDAY-SUNDAY, JULY 7-10 / iPalpiti Soloists: Virtuosi Series
Encinitas Library (San Diego County) \$15

Davide De Ascaniis and Haoyue Liao, violins; Julia Clancy, viola; Carl-Oscar Østerlind, cello; Jacopo Giacomuzzi, piano; Duo Gurfinkel, clarinets

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 periods.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13 / iPalpiti Soloists & DUO Gurfinkel
7:30pm / Greystone Mansion, Beverly Hills \$40

*J. Brahms: Clarinet Trio in a minor, Op. 114
Clarinet Quintet in b minor, Op. 115*

FRIDAY, JULY 15 / iPalpiti Orchestra and Soloists
8:00pm / Wallis Annenberg Center \$59-\$99

*Felix Mendelssohn: Sinfonia X in B minor
Antonio Vivaldi: L'Estro Armonico Concerto X Op. 3 con Quattro Violini
Franz Waxman: Carmen Suite (1946)
Samuel Nebyu, violin soloist/iPalpiti Jr.
Peter I. Tchaikovsky: The Seasons (selections)*

SATURDAY, JULY 16 / iPalpiti Orchestra/ Eduard Schmieder
2:00pm / St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Encinitas \$25

Selections from Festival programs.

SUNDAY, JULY 17 / iPalpiti Soloists at Sundays Live!
6:00pm / LACMA Bing Theater FREE

*J. Brahms: Clarinet Trio in a minor, Op. 114
Clarinet Quintet in b minor, Op. 115*

TUESDAY, JULY 19 / iPalpiti Orchestra and Soloists
7:30pm / Rolling Hills United Methodist Church FREE

Selections from Festival programs as announced from the podium

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20 / CROSSOVER:
iPalpiti MEETS`Sasha` Bloc
7:30pm / Greystone Mansion Courtyard \$50-\$200

Musicians from both ensembles will blend in arrangements of original selections from Joplin, Gershwin, Gade-Grapelli, band's own repertoire, and a commissioned piece by Grammy-winning jazz composer-pianist Bill Cunliffe.

THURSDAY, JULY 21 / iPalpiti Soloists
12pm / Powell Library Rotunda, UCLA FREE

*Francis Poulenc: Sonata for two clarinets
Georges Enescu: String Octet in C major, Op. 7*

THURSDAY, JULY 21 / Meet the Artists Gala
6:00pm / Private Home, Beverly Hills, Location given with paid reservation
\$200 gala only, \$250 gala + VIP ticket to Disney Hall Concert
Wine & Dine with iPalpiti musicians. Performance.

FESTIVAL GRAND FINALE

SATURDAY, JULY 23 / iPalpiti Orchestra/ Eduard Schmieder
8:00pm / Walt Disney Concert Hall \$10-\$120

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| P.I. TCHAIKOVSKY | The Seasons |
| SCHUBERT-MAHLER | String Quartet No. 14 in D minor, "Death and the Maiden" |

SUNDAY, JULY 24 / iPalpiti Soloists at Sundays Live!
6:00pm / LACMA Bing Theater FREE

*Georges Enescu: Konzertstuke
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String Octet in C major, Op. 7
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