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Dear Friends and Music Aficionados:

In Corona-ravaged times when spiritual dimension in recreation of music communication is evaporating because of the impossibility of personal interaction, we strive to replenish craving souls by infusing iPalpiti's virtual performances with positive emotional energy, sending a message of **UNITY** and **HOPE**.

The **iPalpiti Festival** "has become one of the highlights – in some years, **the** highlight – of the summer here" (R. Ginell, American Record Guide, 2015)

Nothing can replace musicians' live connection from the stage.

We missed seeing you this season, beyond sad not being able to hold live gatherings and Benefactors events.

We are especially grateful to all those who remembered to support iPalpiti in these difficult times when young professional musicians are truly on a brink of survival.

As we could not bring our 23rd Annual Festival to Los Angeles this July, 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!



iPalpiti 2019. Dana Ross, Photographer



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Even though 2020 Festival was held virtually, we honor all artists on their achievements, selected for the participation.

You can read musicians' artistic profiles on iPalpiti website in the "Meet the Artists" section.

We hope you will meet them in person in 2021!

FROM ALUMNI

Pavel Šporcl, Czech violin superstar on his iconic blue violin, was the first to start weekly concerts from his home in Prague, play "drive-in" concerts and created innovative [YouTube videos](#), [WATCH his MAGICAL 24!](#) Scheduled to come for a series of concerts in SoCal last March, rescheduled for May 2021, whenever he will make it here, we will cheerfully applaud his long-awaited LIVE performances.



Violinist **Sami Merdinian** and Cellist **Yves Dharamraj**, founders of the New Docta festival in Argentina, held a VIII season virtually in September, presenting 16 events in one week, to inspire children of all background and to nurture the next generation of Latin American talent.

Composer **Gabriel Bussi** completed a full size grand opera *La Tribuna* in Spanish, with plans by La Coruña's City Hall to premiere the complete opera in 2021. [OperaLaTribuna.com](#) A violinist and violist in La Coruna, he wrote in October, "our orchestra is coping well with present limitations, and we're having a full schedule, already since June, which is close to miracle. They moved us to a big multi-purpose venue, where we actually can fit the whole orchestra whilst keeping security distance...Like this we could play Mahler 9 the other day!!!" [En.gabrielbussi.com](#)



Festival 2001:
Bussi makes last edits to his arrangement of Bartok' Chaconne, available on this *iPalpiti* CD with Mme Ida Haendel.



Philadelphia's *iPalpiti* "gang" **Joseph Kauffman, Azer Damirov, Akhmed Mamedov, Alexandr Kisilitsyn, Yoni Draiblate** put a series of concerts of mini-*iPalpiti* performances, taking from the *iPalpiti*'s repertoire.

Italian *iPalpiti* pianist **Jacopo Giacopuzzi** turned all of his canceled performances into virtual international collaborations with his sister Maddalena Giacopuzzi and cellist Max Beitan from Lithuania. Multi-talented, he also oversees *iPalpiti* website, creates CDs, newsletters, videos & much more.





Thank you Jonathan Steinberg

For 20 years of extraordinary and dedicated leadership as iPalpiti Chairman!

We are grateful for your love and admiration of iPalpiti musicians, Exquisite appreciation of iPalpiti music, Special bond with Maestro, Unending support, and Sharing iPalpiti with your friends. **From iPalpiti "heartbeats" with LOVE, for many more seasons!!!**



Private moment with Peter Rainer, iPalpiti concertmaster since 1995...performance review?



2009: Steinberg receives iPalpiti Award in recognition for his 10 year leadership, presented by Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky on the Walt Disney Concert Hall stage.



Steinberg announces Los Angeles County's commendations to all artists, post-Disney concert reception 2018

IN MEMORIAM

This year, music world lost two great musicians who were an integral part in the founding of *iPalpiti*: Great Dame of the Violin **Ida Haendel, CBE** (Commander of British Empire), and the great American cellist **Lynn Harrell**.



Members of the Jury at Queen Elisabeth International Violin Competition (1997) with la Reine Fabiola, Queen of Belgium (Front Row, center). Ida Haendel sitting 1st on the Left, Eduard Schmiedler standing on the far Right.



Lynn Harrell & Eduard Schmiedler at their home (1986)



2000: Mme. Haendel with Maestro Schmiedler & David Garrett back-stage at the Ford Theater after performance of Mozart' Sinfonia Concertante (young Garrett played viola)

Ida was a dear personal friend. A child prodigy with a world-renown career spanning eight decades, Mme. Haendel was incredibly generous in supporting young aspiring musicians. She has performed with and for the *iPalpiti* time and again, in festivals in Los Angeles, Carmel, Holland, Japan, and Israel. Under Eduard's baton, she was a soloist on many occasions, including her native Poland. Maestro posted on Violin Channel: **"The passing of Ida Haendel is devastating. I feel that I lost part of my soul. Ida was an angelic personality and like a sister to me. I was privileged to perform with her in many countries. I believe that she will be an angel in heaven. I will never forget Ida."**

Lynn and Eduard came to Los Angeles in 1986 to USC School of Music:

Lynn as a Piatigorsky Cello Chair Professor, and Eduard as Professor of Violin, a position formerly held by Jascha Heifetz.

Personal and collegial friendship bore many special occasions; the last took place in 2017, at the New York Summit Festival: Eduard conducting, with Lynn as a soloist in Boccherini Cello Concerto.

Enthusiastically supportive of the *iPalpiti*, joining as Artistic Advisor in 1998, Lynn wrote: **"Music is a chain reaction that reaches down through generations. Musicians are its links. It is wonderful to know that young musicians have a hand held out to them that they, in their turn, will reach out. Bravo, iPalpiti Artists International!"** –

Lynn Harrell



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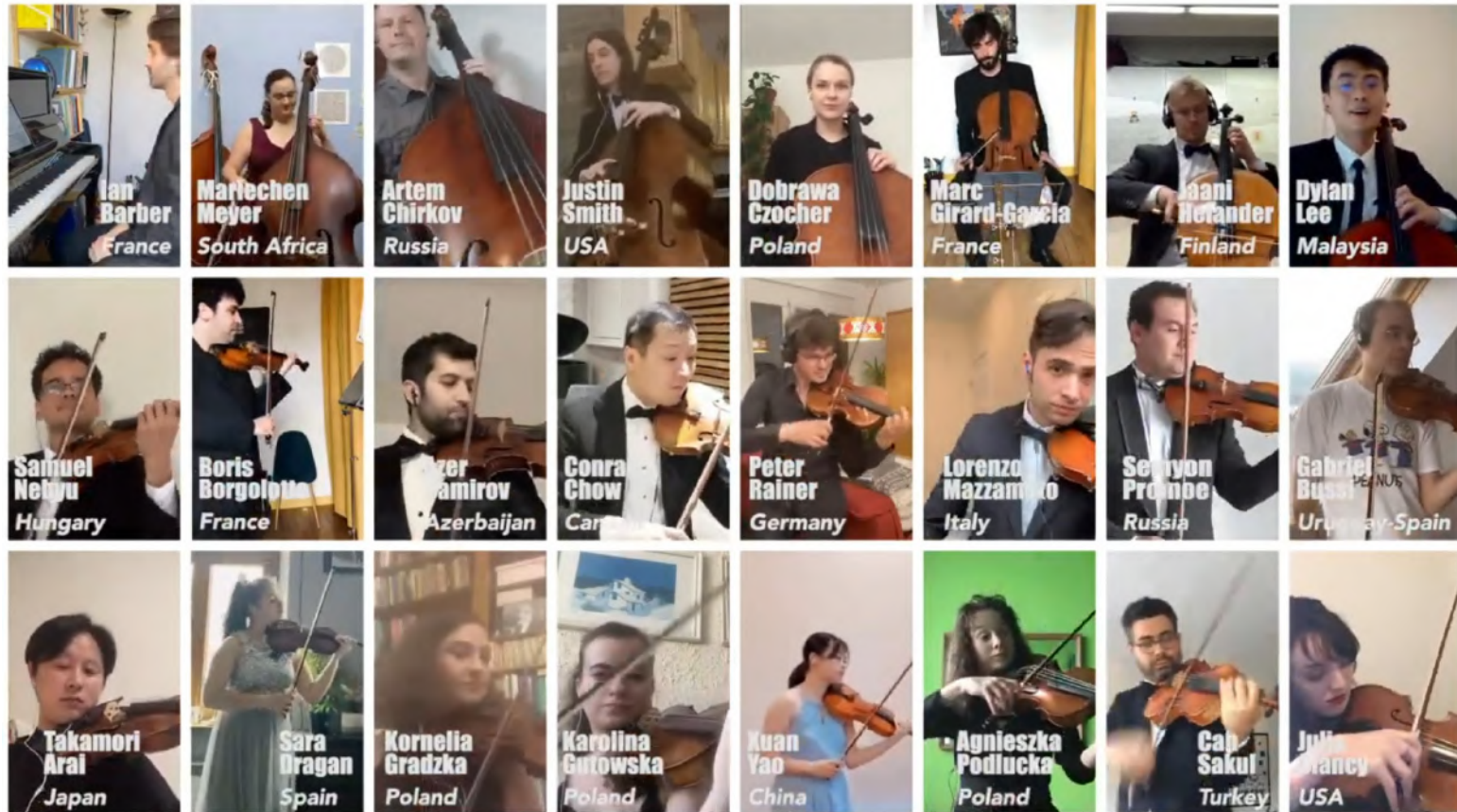


The "originals": Gershfeld brothers Jacob (Left) and Mikhail (Right) with spouses Lola & Tonia (sisters) with Maestro & Laura. (2018) Mikhail was the first Chairman of the iPalpiti (then Young Artists International) and Jacob created its first website.

2020 Virtual Festival opened with cheers from around the world in a Zoom performance of the audiences favorite Carl Böhm's Perpetuum Mobile, *iPalpiti* 2014 archival LIVE, and a YouTube Premiere: ARCHIVAL 2004 inaugural Disney Hall opening concert with an introduction by Theodore Bikel.

iPalpiti Orchestra | Eduard Schmieder, conductor

All Festival links are still active on the website, feel free to watch anytime: www.iPalpiti.org



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SELECT ARCHIVAL: alumni Svetlana Smolina piano / Yury Revich violin / Jacob Shaw, cellist
Ernest Chausson Piano Trio in G minor
iPalpiti Festival 2015 Greystone Mansion, Beverly Hills.



SELECT ARCHIVAL: alumni Czech virtuoso Pavel Šporcl featured in the "From Homeland" program with Svetlana Smolina, piano and as a soloist with iPalpiti at Walt Disney Concert Hall, 2012



LIVE FROM PARIS: Trio Zadig was scheduled to return as soloists at Walt Disney Concert Hall in Beethoven's Triple Concerto. For this In the Time of Corona festival, the Trio has recorded a very special program with LOVE from Paris to our very special audiences: Dvořák Dumky Trio and Tchaikovsky' Seasons. As resident artists of the famed Foundation Singer-Polignac, the concert was recorded in the concert space of the Foundation' castle.

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VIRTUOSI II: iPalpiti Soloists

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SATURDAY, JULY 17, 7:30PM

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SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2:00PM

iPalpiti Orchestra / Eduard Schmieder

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MONDAY, JULY 19, 12:00PM

iPalpiti Soloists

Rotary Club of Beverly Hills meets iPalpiti

TUESDAY, JULY 20, 6:30PM

iPalpiti Orchestra/Eduard Schmieder Conductor

Greystone Mansion Courtyard

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 7:30PM

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