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25 musicians from 16 countries gathered for the "ON WINGS OF PEACE" 25th season Festival and presented nine concerts featuring 20 composers – all as a gift to you, our audiences and to our community. Over 2000 music aficionados heard iPalpiti orchestra, soloists and ensembles from Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center to Greystone Mansion to the finale at the historic Saban Theatre in Beverly Hills. This was a true Finale's FINALE as the last-minute venue change took place after Disney Hall' uncompromising booster mandate. Miraculously, in a true spirit of unity and harmony – staff's hard work and expert support of Todd Hawkins, grown from iPalpiti's intern in 2004 to a successful producer/consultant/manager – almost 100% audiences showed up as seen in this FULL HOUSE PHOTO. The videos from Festival 2022 will be posted on iPalpitimusic channel on YouTube - enjoy throughout the season at your leisure.

**Congratulations to all iPalpitians and  
HEARTFELT THANKS TO OUR SUPPORTERS  
AND AUDIENCES!**



## FROM THE ARTISTS:

*Dear Dr. Schmieder and Mrs. Schmieder,*

*I wanted to share with you that iPalpiti was particularly gratifying for me to participate in this year. I read a quote recently that said, 'relationships are the currency of life', and it dawned on me that the isolation brought on by the pandemic these last two years had made it difficult for all of us to maintain our relationships, robbing us of our network and straining our connections with one another.*

*Seeing you both over the last two weeks, as well as old friends like Peter, Joe and Pavel would be satisfying in a normal year, but after this particular hiatus, I felt especially reinvigorated, and truly enriched. Thank you for all your hard work and perseverance, and for providing us this forum to reconnect with each other!!*

*With much gratitude,*

Conrad (iPalpiti 2010-2022, Never Miss a Beat award recipient)

*Dear Mrs. Schmieder and Dr. Schmieder,*

*We are grateful for the amazing opportunity of participation in iPalpiti 2022. These almost 3 weeks were full of experiences and lessons which created a very new perspective for our quartet but also for each of us personally. We will never forget this time in California.*

Spot Quartet (Poland)

*Dear Dr. and Mrs. Schmieder,*

*First of all, it was so great to see you both this time! I just returned to Korea safely. I wish I could come more often to this amazing festival. I had a blast like nowhere else. Thank you for inviting me again and I would love to see everyone and both of you soon. I will carefully listen to your words that you told me at your place and hopefully I can develop myself better. Please stay well and healthy! I am sending pics from the last concert!*

*I am so looking forward to seeing you again! Gyehee*

(Gyehee Kim was an iPalpiti Special Prize & soloist in 2017)

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**From Irina Chepyzhnaya:**

Dear Mrs. Schmieder and Dr. Schmieder!

Sending you a picture from Berlin Philharmonie with your ex-ipalpiti! Tonight we finished our first tour with new orchestra named "Utopia" under Theodore Currentzis! It was so nice to meet old friends here! So many good memories from LA...

Hugs from Marie\* and Dima\*\*!

With lot of love,

Irina

\*Marie Radauer-Plank was a concertmaster of the Berlin Komische Opera; now lives in Vienna where her flutist husband holds a professorship position, they have two children. Active as a soloist with orchestras such as Münchner Rundfunkorchester, Stuttgarter Kammerorchester (where iPalpiti alumnus cellist Ofer Canetti is a principal), etc, and in chamber music concerts, she performs in the International Classical Music Awards-winning Duo Brügggen-Plank at home and abroad.

\*\*Cellist Dmitry Silvian, is a Section Leader of the Belgian National Orchestra, Brussels.



**From Kian Soltani:**

Hi from Seoul!

Played with the KBS symphony last night and had dinner with Jangkyoon Na [iPalpiti bassist 2009-2010 in Switzerland and USA] and his wife and daughter! :) Greetings from us.



**From Liza Kerob:**

Dear Dr. Schmieder, a big hello from Gabor\* and I\*\* from Madrid :) We talked about you this morning and will play our concert tonight for you.

Big hug. Liza

After concert picture :)

\*Gábor Szabó - Artistic Director of Madrid Soloists Chamber Orchestra and Concertmaster of the Orquesta Reino de Aragon

\*\*Liza Kerob - Concertmaster & "Supersolist" of the Orchestre Philharmonique de Monte-Carlo since 2000.



**IPO tour in California: iPalpiti alumni/ Israel Philharmonic principals**

Eugenia Pikovsky & Dmitri Ratush came for a Shabbat dinner to Schmieders' home with board /benefactors.



L to R: Mary Levin Cutler, Anita Lorber, Ester Lebovic, Eugenia & Dmitri (under Maestro's portrait -participated via Facetime), Laura Schmieder, Norman Rachitsky, Yana & Roman Shukman, Anna Vokoff.



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In celebrating 25th anniversary, iPalpiti "Heartbeat" Award recipients were:

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**Visionary:** ROBERT R. STROKER, Dean, Boyer College of Music & Dance/Center for the Arts;  
Vice Provost for the Arts, Temple University.

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JOSEPH KAUFFMAN/USA, violinist/violist, orchestra manager/van driver since 2010.

MIDORI MARUYAMA/Japan, violist since 2012.

FRANCISCO VILA/Ecuador, cellist since 2009

Conceived in 2007 on iPalpiti's 10th anniversary, the award was created by famous medalist designer Sasha Shagin. The back design shows the globe with music notation of a famous tune from Beethoven's "Ode to Joy," a celebratory poem addressing the unity of all mankind.

**Previous Recipients:** 2007: MARY LEVIN CUTLER, Founding Chairman  
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2010: JONATHAN STEINBERG, Chairman of the Board 2000 – 2020  
(on his 10 years leadership).



Joyce & Aubrey Chernick



Mr. Rigler with Monte Lemann, Award Presenter, and Rabbi David Baron



Mikhail Gershfeld



Peter Rainer



R-L: Dean Stroker, iPalpiti award designer Sasha Shagin, Joseph, L & E Schmieder.



"Night Off" dinner@Petit Ermitage, an official hotel of iPalpiti Festival,  
Stefan Ashkenazy, owner & iPalpiti board member



Conrad Chow (Canada), concertmaster Peter Rainer (Germany), Joseph Kauffman  
(USA), Midori Maruyama (Japan), first-comer Taisiya Losmakova (Belarus), Francisco  
Vila (Ecuador)



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July 2022 – November 2022  
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Any omissions are sincerely regretted

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# Finale's FINALE



Pavel Šporcl in performance of the Enescu' Romanian Rhapsody, followed by encore Tango Jalousi with Davide De Ascaniis and the final bow.

## POST-FESTIVAL

After 2 weeks of heartfelt music-making, "rejuvenated" musicians return to their countries and carry the torch of inspiring performances. Here are the highlights:



**Samuel Nebyu:** invited solo recital at the prestigious Lucerne Music Festival in Switzerland with Charles Abramovic (collaborative pianist of Midori and Sarah Chang).



**Davide De Ascaniis:** tour in Brazil with Interpreti Veneziani ensemble, including Teatro Municipal in Rio de Janeiro on October 27th (Paganini's birthday!)

**Svetlana Smolina:** TranSiberian Festival concerts with violinist Vadim Repin.

20  
октября

КАМЕРНЫЙ ВЕЧЕР В САМАРЕ  
Самара: Концертный зал Самарской  
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**Feature in November issue of THE STRAD (London): Pavel Šporcl The Man with the Blue Violin**



Pavel premiered Jan Kubelik Violin Concerto on tour and in recording on Hänssler album. Toured Israel as soloist with Israel Camerata.

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## FROM THE AUDIENCES:

"It is almost impossible to put into words how wonderful and magical Laura and Eduard's dedication and output are." -M. Gendler

Good morning -- hope you are both smiling - remarkable event--  
Am wearing the T-shirt --- so pretty Hope you have a chance to catch  
your breath - A.Wolas

Dear Laura and Eduard, thank you for bringing the harmony, beauty and  
inspiration to the world when they are needed most! Please accept my  
sincere appreciation and the best wishes.  
Yours truly, A. Shagin (creator of the iPalpiti "Heartbeat" Award).



## FROM JONATHAN STEINBERG, IPALPITI CHAIRMAN 2000-2020:

This is my tribute. I'm sorry that can't come to the after party to say this  
in person, but I wanted you both to know what I would have said. May  
wings of music carry you through today.  
What a challenge, to adequately honor Laura and Eduard Schmieder on  
the occasion of iPalpiti's 25th year! Let me draw from others, far wiser  
than myself:

First, from Franz Schubert. When Schubert honored Music in his song An  
die Musik, (To Music) he could equally have been honoring the musical  
spirit that Eduard and Laura bring to the world.  
Addressing the art of music itself, he wrote:  
"O blessed art, how often in dark hours,  
When the savage ring of life tightens round me,

Have you kindled warm love in my heart,  
Have transported me to a better world!  
Transported to a better world"

The Schmieders and the extraordinary musicians of iPalpiti, year after  
year have transported us to a better world; one of love, truth and beauty.  
And now, in a dark hour that tightens around us, they do again, with  
seemingly inexhaustible energy and commitment.  
How can we adequately thank them? What words are equal to the task?  
Every year, my heart is revived by iPalpiti, and I know that that is true for  
all of us, audience and musicians both.  
To take words from Ezekiel, they give us a new heart every year and  
remove from us our hearts of stone. Is there a greater gift?  
It is a gift of incalculable value in a world of hardened hearts, of suffering,  
of struggles.  
But let us not forget that the world also contains great joy, great beauty,  
great love. And that is what the Schmieders and iPalpiti remind us every  
year.

Oh, how can we thank them enough?  
Let us try now, with applause and our continued loving commitment to  
keep iPalpiti alive and prospering.

To Eduard, to Laura, with the most profound gratitude.  
Thank you!

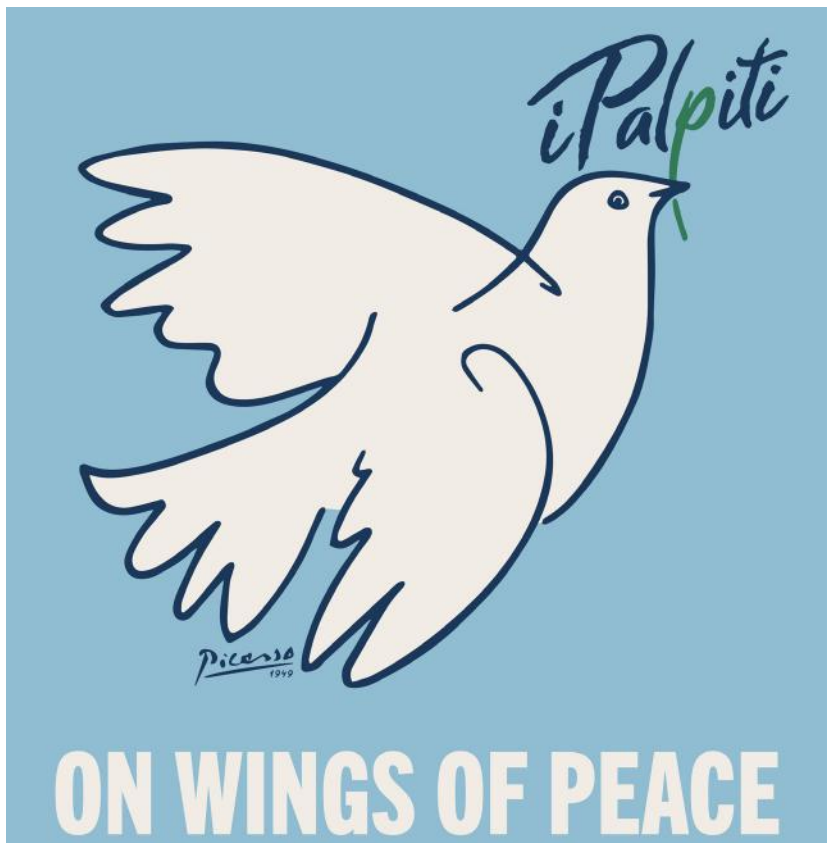


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