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Valley Classical Concerts

2023-2024 Concert Season



ESPRESSIVO! QUARTET

Thursday, March 14 • 7:30pm

Sweeney Concert Hall, Smith College

Following the passing of pianist Joseph Kalichstein of the world famous Kalichstein-Laredo-Robinson Trio, violinist Jaime Laredo and wife, cellist Sharon Robinson have teamed up with Anna Polonsky (piano), and Milena Pajaro-van de Stradt (viola), to form the Expressivo Piano Quartet. Music of Mendelssohn, Mozart and Brahms.



JUNCTION TRIO

Sunday, April 21 • 4pm

Bombyx Center for Arts & Equity

Three renowned artists of the next generation combine talents in this piano trio, Junction. Recent concerts included Washington Performing Arts and the Royal Conservatory in Toronto. Piano Trios by Charles Ives, John Zorn, and Beethoven ("Archduke").



Valley Classical Concerts

We are pleased to share with you the details of our coming season, and we seek your support to help us make it happen.

Like most nonprofit organizations, we depend heavily on donations. Ticket sales make up only about half of our revenue. In order to continue to fulfill our mission of presenting internationally known chamber ensembles for our patrons and music lovers, we face the challenge of paying musicians' ever-increasing fees. In fact, over half of our expense budget is now for artists' fees and lodging.

So, as we look forward to the 2023-24 season, please consider giving generously to help cover the costs.

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Experience the Magic

Over 40 years of bringing the World of Chamber Music to the Pioneer Valley

Valley Classical Concerts (formerly Music in Deerfield), a non-profit organization, has brought first-rate performances of chamber music to the Pioneer Valley since 1979. We are pledged to presenting a mix of established musicians and exciting early-career ensembles. Valley Classical Concerts (VCC) presents both mainstream classical music and works of 20th and 21st century composers. VCC broadens access to this great music (music that might otherwise only be heard in major metropolitan areas) through deeply discounted family and student pricing and other special admission opportunities.

This season we will have four concerts at Sweeney Hall in conjunction with the Smith College Music Department's curriculum. We are also looking forward to having two additional concerts back at the Bombyx Center. We hope you enjoy the music!

Bombyx Center for Arts & Equity
130 Pine Street,
Florence, MA 01062

Sweeney Concert Hall, Sage Hall
Smith College
Northampton, MA 01060



VIANO QUARTET

Sunday, October 22 • 3pm
Bombyx Center for Arts & Equity

Praised for their “virtuosity, visceral expression, and rare unity of intention” (Boston Globe), the Viano Quartet are one of the most sought-after performing young ensembles today. Music of Schubert, Penderecki, Dvorák, Smetana.



BORROMEO QUARTET

Sunday, November 12 • 3pm
Sweeney Concert Hall, Smith College

Each visionary performance of the award-winning Borromeo String Quartet strengthens its reputation as one of the most important ensembles of our time. Hailed for its “edge-of-the-seat performances,” by the Boston Globe, which called it “simply the best.” Music of Bach, Eleanor Alberga, Bartok, and Beethoven.



MERZ TRIO

Sunday, February 4 • 3pm
Sweeney Concert Hall, Smith College

Merz Trio, winners of the Naumburg, Concert Artists Guild, Fischhoff, and Chesapeake Competitions, have been lauded for their “stunning virtuosity... fresh and surprising interpretations” (Reading Eagle). Music by Berg, Britten, Thelonius Monk, Alma Mahler, and Schoenberg’s “Verklärte Nacht.”



ITAMAR ZORMAN, IEVA JOKUBAVIČIŪTĒ

Saturday, February 24 • 7:30pm
Sweeney Concert Hall, Smith College

Winner of the 2011 Tchaikovsky International Violin Competition, an Avery Fischer Career Grant, and more, violinist Itamar Zorman is one of the most evocative artists of his generation. He and pianist Ieva Jokubaviciute, will perform works by Schubert, Bacewicz, Gubaidulina, and César Franck.

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