

The Houston Music Card

Chamber music and more!

October – November 2011

- Oct. 2 5:00pm **Houston Early Music** presents *Passionate Enemies* – the Boston ensemble La Donna Musicale performs music by women composers from the rival German courts of Frederick the Great and the House of Hapsburg. Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd at Greenbriar. www.houstonearlymusic.org or 713-432-1744
- Oct. 6 7:45pm **Village Concerts** presents the Village Chamber Players (Kurt Johnson, violin; Sean Wang, violin; Rene Salazar, viola; Barrett Sills, cello; Clive Swansbourne, piano) playing works for piano and strings by Mozart and Schumann. Ticketed event (online or at the door). Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd at Greenbriar. www.villageconcerts.org
- Oct. 8 8:00pm **Mercury Baroque** presents *Encyclopedia Bach-tannica* – Bach's Goldberg Variations, the master's monumental set of 30 variations on a single theme, in the illustrious Labadie orchestration. Cullen Theater, Wortham Center. www.MercuryBaroque.org or 713-533-0080
- Oct. 9 3:00pm **APERIO, Music of the Americas** presents *Pampeana* – chamber music by Alberto Ginastera. Sicardi Gallery, 2246 Richmond Ave. www.aperioamericas.org or 713-965-4597
- Oct. 9 6:00pm **Bach Society Houston** presents Jory Vinikour, harpsichord, playing works by Handel, Sweelinck, Froberger, and others. Ticketed event (online or at the door). Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd at Greenbriar. www.bachsocietyhouston.org or 831-582-1750
- Oct. 11 8:00pm **Jerusalem String Quartet** presented by Houston Friends of Chamber Music. Mozart No. 15 in D, K.421; Shostakovich No. 11 in F, Op. 122; Brahms Op. 51/2. Stude Hall, Shepherd School of Music, Rice University. www.HoustonFriendsofChamberMusic.org or 713-348-5400
- Oct. 14 8:00pm **Divergence Vocal Theater** presents an Autumn Soirée – a staged evening of haunting 19th–21st century vocal and instrumental music, dance, puppetry, and folktales. Divergence Music & Arts at Spring St. Studios. www.divergencevocaltheater.org. **Concert repeats Oct. 15**
- Oct. 15 8:00pm **Da Camera Jazz** presents Terence Blanchard and Poncho Sanchez: *Cubano Be! Cubano Bop!* – A celebration of the birth of Afro-Cuban jazz. Cullen Theater, Wortham Center. www.dacamera.com or 713-524-5050
- Oct. 15 8:00pm **Guitar Houston** presents Peruvian classical guitar virtuoso Jorge Caballero performing a program of musical gems. Emerson Unitarian Church, 1900 Bering Drive. www.guitarhouston.org or 713-665-2712
- Oct. 16 4:00pm **Context** presents *The Prince and the Prodigy* – Louis Ferdinand's Quartet in E-flat for Strings and Piano; Mendelssohn's Sextet for Violin, Two Violas, Cello, Double Bass, and Piano. Duncan Recital Hall, Rice University. www.musicincontext.org or 713-665-2620
- Oct. 16 4:00pm **Foundation for Modern Music** 25th Anniversary Concert – a tribute to Robert Avalon; premiere by Art Gottschalk. Zilkha Hall, Hobby Center. www.modernmusic.org or 713-529-3928
- Oct. 16 6:00pm **Bach Society Houston** presents its 30th-anniversary concert featuring Bach's *The Contest* between Phoebus and Pan, with guest soloists, the Bach Choir, and Mercury Baroque. Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd. www.bachsocietyhouston.org or 831-582-1750
- Oct. 20 7:45pm **Village Concerts** presents *Duo Merlot* – Luana Gundersen, flute; Thibaut Surugue, piano. Works by Fauré, Poulenc, Debussy, Dutilleux, and Prokofiev. Ticketed event (online or at the door). Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd at Greenbriar. www.villageconcerts.org

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- Oct. 22 5:00pm **River Oaks Chamber Orchestra** season opener with guest conductor Mei-Ann Chen and baritone soloist Timothy Jones. Church of St. John the Divine, River Oaks Blvd. at Westheimer. www.rocohouston.org or 713-665-2700. **Concert repeats Oct. 23 in Kingwood.**
- Oct. 25 6:15pm **River Oaks Chamber Orchestra**, Musiqa, and Inprint present a Musical and Literary Ofrenda – short original contemporary/classical music and prose. Gallery opens at 5:30. Lawndale Art Center, 4912 Main Street. www.rocohouston.org or 713-665-2700
- Oct. 25 7:30pm **St. Cecilia Chamber Music Society** presents “Scenes from American Opera” by Barber, Gershwin, Blitzstein, Menotti, Floyd, and Previn. St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 1805 W. Alabama at Woodhead. www.stceciliahouston.org or 713-331-0359
- Oct. 28 7:00pm **Musiqa** presents *Around the World with Musiqa* – sing along with a four-time NEA award winning interactive show that explores music from all over the world. Great family fun—kids are free. Zilkha Hall, Hobby Center. www.musiqahouston.org or 713-524-5678
- Oct. 29 7:30pm **Houston Chamber Choir** presents the first modern performance of “Psalmi ad Vesperas (1694),” featuring the work of Giovanni Paolo Colonna. St. Philip Presbyterian Church, 4807 San Felipe. www.houstonchamberchoir.org or 713-224-5566
- Nov. 1 8:00pm **Houston Friends of Chamber Music** presents Cuarteto Casals, the acclaimed string quartet from Madrid, Spain, performing quartets by Arriaga, Turina, and Schubert. Stude Concert Hall, Rice University. www.HoustonFriendsofChamberMusic.org or 713-348-5400
- Nov. 5 8:00pm **Da Camera** presents jazz guitarist Russell Malone and his trio. Cullen Theater, Wortham Center. www.dacamera.com or 713-524-5050
- Nov. 6 6:00pm **Bach Society Houston** presents *Bach Vespers: J.S. Bach's Cantata 150* and works by C.P.E. Bach and Homilius with the Bach Choir and Mercury Baroque. Pre-concert lecture at 5:15pm. Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd. www.bachsocietyhouston.org or 832-582-1750
- Nov. 8 7:30pm **Simone Dinnerstein**, piano. Da Camera presents the first Houston solo recital by this Bach specialist. **Sold out.** The Menil Collection, 1515 Sul Ross. www.dacamera.com or 713-524-5050
- Nov. 12 8:00pm **APERIO, Music of the Americas** presents “On Vibrate – Pop and Post-minimalism in American Music” featuring music by Adams, Puts, Torke, and Pann. Station Museum of Contemporary Art, 1502 Alabama St. www.aperioamericas.org or 713-965-4597
- Nov. 13 4:00pm **River Oaks Chamber Orchestra** presents the first of four free ROCO Chamber Series events hosted by Gremillion & Co. Fine Art, featuring ROCO principal clarinetist Nathan Williams. Fine Art Annex, 2501 Sunset, 77005. www.rocohouston.org or 713-665-2700
- Nov. 15 7:30pm **St. Cecilia Chamber Music Society** presents *Romantic Trio Masterpieces* – The Brahms Trio in C Major and the Mendelssohn Trio in C Minor. St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 1805 W. Alabama at Woodhead. www.stceciliahouston.org or 713-331-0359
- Nov. 18 8:00pm **Sharon Isbin**, guitar and **Mark O'Connor**, violin. Da Camera presents these two virtuosos in recital. Solo and duo works including O'Connor's *Appalachia Waltz*. Cullen Theater, Wortham Center. www.dacamera.com or 713-524-5050
- Nov. 19 8:00pm **Guitar Houston** presents Elena Papandreou, classical guitar virtuoso, performing music of Chopin, Giuliani, Ponce and Dyens. Emerson Unitarian Church, 1900 Bering Drive. www.guitarhouston.org or 713-665-2712
- Nov. 19 8:00pm **Mercury Baroque** presents *Love, Power and Politics* – a concert version of Handel's opera *Rodelinda*. Cullen Theater, Wortham Center. www.MercuryBaroque.org or 713-533-0080
- Nov. 20 4:00pm **Context** presents “From the Bohemian Forests: Bedrich Smetana and Antonin Dvorak” with Brian Connelly, piano; Michael Kannen, cello; Kimi Kawashima, piano; Max Mandel, viola; and Stephan Wagner, violin. On period instruments. www.musicincontext.org or 713-665-2620
- Nov. 20 6:00pm **Bach Society Houston** presents an organ recital with Stefan Engels of Leipzig, Germany, playing works by Bach at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd at Greenbriar. Free admission. www.bachsocietyhouston.org or 832-582-1750