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Napa Valley
Chamber Music Festival
August 1–24, 2014
In memory of Diane Disney Miller

20th Anniversary Season



### Diane Disney Miller Tribute

# Thoughts on Diane

By Michael and Daria Adams



Diane began to take an interest in us about the third year of the festival-circa 1997, when we first performed at Silverado Vineyards. We remember playing Schubert's "Trout" Quintet there, when the stage was set up in a way that allowed the rays of the setting sun to shine directly into the cellist's eyes, nearly blinding him. She promptly ordered a special

set of shades to cover that window to prevent that from happening the next time!

In 1999, Diane and Ron stepped up their support of the festival significantly when they also offered us the use of a house on the winery property to house musicians and hold rehearsals. This changed everything for MITV as we now had a central place for musicians to convene and socialize and rehearse. The "River House" became festival central for us and established a new dynamic among the visiting musicians.

Diane was especially proud of the Steinway grand piano at the River House that was a Sweet Sixteen gift from her father, Walt Disney. She once remarked that even though the gift of music did not stick with her when she was young, she felt blessed that music was now being returned to her—in the form of *Music in the Vineyards*—as a gift in her later years.

We will forever be grateful to Diane for her unconditional support.

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# 20th Anniversary Season August

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	2:00–4:30 pm Free Open Rehearsal Napa Valley Performing Arts Center at Lincoln Theater	<b>7:30 pm</b> Frog's Leap Winery	5:30 pm Midsummer Mystique Clos Pegase	<b>5:30 pm</b> Black Stallion Winery
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# Welcome to our 20th Anniversary season!

On behalf of the musicians, staff, and members of the Board of Directors, we welcome you to our 20th anniversary celebration! Presenting chamber music in the Napa Valley for the past 20 years has been a wonderful experience for all involved. It has brought together an entire community of like-minded music lovers who have nurtured the festival from humble beginnings. Without the support of all of you, our community, we would not have achieved the world-wide recognition that *Music in the Vineyards* holds today.

Your continued support of our festival will ensure that the outstanding musicians from all over the world will continue to convene, collaborate and perform for you here in the Napa Valley.

Thank you for joining us tonight for our 20th season, and together we look forward to many more years of making *Music in the Vineyards*!

Sincerely,
Anne Golden
President, Board of Directors
Music in the Vineyards

# 2014 Guest Artists

### Artistic Directors: Michael & Daria Adams

### PACIFICA QUARTET

Simin Ganatra, violin Sibbi Bernhardsson, violin Masumi Per Rostad, viola Brandon Vamos, cello

### THE ESCHER STRING QUARTET

Adam Barnett-Hart, violin Aaron Boyd, violin Pierre Lapointe, viola Dane Johansen, cello

### Violin

Daria Adams

Frank Almond Adam Barnett-Hart Sibbi Bernhardsson Aaron Boyd Simin Ganatra Ara Gregorian

Dawn Harms Tessa Lark Youjin Lee Axel Strauss

Arnaud Sussmann Carmit Zori

### Viola

Michael Adams Roberto Díaz Nicole Divall Pierre Lapointe Masumi Per Rostad Sabina Thatcher Thomas Turner Jonathan Vinocour Phillip Ying

### Cello

Suren Bagratuni Robert deMaine Narek Hakhnazaryan Dane Johansen Kenneth Olsen Beth Rapier Anthony Ross Tanva Tomkins Brandon Vamos

### Bass

Scott Pingel

#### Piano

Victor Asuncion Jeffrey Sykes William Wolfram Wei-Yi Yang Eric Zivian

### Harpsichord

Corey Jamason

### Flute

Adam Kuenzel

### Clarinet

Mark Nuccio

### Horn

Michael Gast

### Soprano

Dawn Upshaw

#### Composer

Maria Schneider

# Frog's Leap Winery

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF CARL AND LYN THORSEN.

Friday, August 1, 7:30 pm

### The Romantics I

### Anton Webern (1883-1945) Langsamer Satz

10 MIN.

Dawn Harms, VIOLIN Daria Adams, VIOLIN Michael Adams, VIOLA Kenneth Olsen, cello

### Alexander Zemlinsky (1871-1942) String Quartet no. 4, op. 25

25 MIN.

Präludium. Poco adagio Burleske, Vivace Adagietto. Adagio Intermezzo, Allegretto Thema mit Variationen Finale. Doppelfuge. Allegro molto, energico

### THE ESCHER STRING QUARTET

Adam Barnett-Hart, VIOLIN Aaron Boyd, VIOLIN Pierre Lapointe, VIOLA Dane Johansen, cello

### Intermission

### Johannes Brahms (1833-1897) Quintet for piano and strings in F minor, op. 34

38 MIN.

Allegro non troppo Andante, un poco adagio Scherzo: Allegro

Finale: Poco sostenuto-Allegro non troppo

Aaron Boyd, VIOLIN Dawn Harms, VIOLIN Pierre Lapointe, VIOLA Kenneth Olsen, CELLO Jeffrey Sykes, PIANO

# Midsummer Mystique, Clos Pegase

Saturday, August 2, 5:30 pm

### Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706) Canon in D major

6 MIN.

Adam Barnett-Hart, VIOLIN Daria Adams, VIOLIN Dawn Harms, VIOLIN Michael Adams, VIOLA Kenneth Olsen, CELLO Dane Johansen, cello

### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Divertimento for strings, K. 136

14 MIN.

Allegro Andante Presto

#### THE ESCHER STRING QUARTET

Adam Barnett-Hart, VIOLIN Aaron Boyd, VIOLIN Pierre Lapointe, VIOLA Dane Johansen, cello

### Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Octet for strings, op. 20

30 MIN.

Allegro moderato con fuoco Andante Scherzo. Allegro leggierissimo Presto

Adam Barnett-Hart, VIOLIN Daria Adams, VIOLIN Dawn Harms, VIOLIN Aaron Boyd, VIOLIN Pierre Lapointe, VIOLA Michael Adams, VIOLA Kenneth Olsen, cello Dane Johansen, cello

### Black Stallion Winery

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF JACQUELINE JACKSON AND HARVEY ZUCKERMAN. Sunday, August 3, 5:30 pm

### The Romantics II

### Ottorino Respighi (1879-1936)

Piano Quintet in F minor

16 MIN.

Allearo

Andantino

Vivacissimo

Daria Adams, VIOLIN

Dawn Harms, VIOLIN

Michael Adams, VIOLA Dane Johansen, cello

Jeffrey Sykes, PIANO

### Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847) Cello Sonata no. 2 in D major, op. 58

25 MIN.

Allegro assai vivace Allegretto scherzando

Adagio

Molto allegro e vivace

Kenneth Olsen, CELLO

Jeffrey Sykes, PIANO

### Intermission

### Antonin Dvořák (1841-1904) String Quartet in E flat, op. 51

35 MIN.

Allegro ma non troppo Dumka. Elegia Romanza Finale

### THE ESCHER STRING QUARTET

Adam Barnett-Hart, VIOLIN Aaron Boyd, VIOLIN Pierre Lapointe, VIOLA Dane Johansen, cello

This evening's concert will be video-taped by Matt Morris Films thanks to a generous grant from the Napa County Special Projects Fund.

# Hudson House, Beringer Vineyards

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF SUSAN AND LESLIE POLGAR.

Wednesday, August 6 Pre-Concert Talk 6:30 pm: Schnittke's String Quartet no. 3 | Concert 7:30 pm

#### THE PACIFICA QUARTET

Simin Ganatra, VIOLIN Sibbi Bernhardsson, VIOLIN Masumi Per Rostad, VIOLA Brandon Vamos, CELLO

### Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827) String Quartet in B flat major, op. 18 no. 6

26 MIN.

Allegro con brio Adagio, ma non troppo Scherzo. Allegro La Malinconia: Adagio, Allegretto quasi Allegro

### Alfred Schnittke (1934-1998)

String Quartet no. 3

21 MIN.

Andante Agitato

Pesante

### Intermission

### Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827) String Quartet in E minor, op. 59 no.2

36 MIN.

Allegro Molto adagio. Si tratta questo pezzo con molto di sentimento Allegretto (Thème russe) Finale, Presto

# Silverado Vineyards

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF JOHN AND ULLA BROWN.

Friday, August 8 Solo Competition Winners' Recital 6:30 pm | Concert 7:30 pm

#### SOLO COMPETITION:

Brandon Lew, winner of the first MITV Solo Instrumental Competition, will perform Frédéric Chopin's Fantaisie-Impromptu.

### CONCERT:

### The Romantics III

# Sergei Prokofiev (1891-1953) Overture on Hebrew Themes, op. 34

11 MIN.

Mark Nuccio, clarinet Axel Strauss, violin Sibbi Bernhardsson, violin Nicole Divall, viola Tanya Tomkins, cello Eric Zivian, piano

### Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

Prelude, Recitative and Variations, for flute, viola & piano

12 MIN

Adam Kuenzel, FLUTE Masumi Per Rostad, VIOLA Wei-Yi Yang, PIANO

### York Bowen (1884-1961) Fantasy Quartet for four violas

12 MIN.

Masumi Per Rostad, Michael Adams, Nicole Divall, Roberto Díaz, viola

#### Intermission

### Antonin Dvořák (1841-1904)

Sextet for strings in A major, op. 48

34 MIN.

Allegro. Moderato Dumka. Poco allegretto

Furiant, Presto

Finale. Tema con variazioni: Allegretto grazioso, quasi andantino

Arnaud Sussmann, violin Daria Adams, violin Roberto Díaz, viola Michael Adams, viola Brandon Vamos, cello Tanya Tomkins, cello

# Silverado Vineyards

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF ROGER JORDAN ADVISED FUND OF RSF SOCIAL FINANCE AND JOANNA MILLER.

#### IN MEMORY OF DIANE DISNEY MILLER

Saturday, August 9, 5:00 pm

### John Dowland (1563-1626)

(arr. by Stephen Prutsman)

11 MIN.

Come Again: Sweet Love Doth Now Invite Weep You No More, Sad Fountains Can She Excuse My Wrongs? Now, O Now, I Needs Must Part

Dawn Upshaw, soprano Arnaud Sussmann, violin Daria Adams, VIOLIN Michael Adams, VIOLA Brandon Vamos, cello

### Johannes Brahms (1833-1897) Trio for clarinet, cello and piano

28 MIN.

Allearo Adagio Andante grazioso Allearo

Mark Nuccio, CLARINET Brandon Vamos, CELLO Eric Zivian, PIANO

Intermission

### Maria Schneider (b. 1960)

Carlos Drummond de Andrade Stories\*

This new orchestration of Maria Schneider's award-winning work has been commissioned by Music in the Vineyards in celebration of our 20th anniversary.

24 MIN.

Prologue The Dead in Frock Coats Souvenir of the Ancient World Don't Kill Yourself Quadrille

Dawn Upshaw, soprano Axel Strauss, VIOLIN Nicole Divall, VIOLA Tanva Tomkins, cello Adam Kuenzel, Flute, Alto Flute, Piccolo Mark Nuccio, CLARINET Eric Zivian, PIANO

### Georges Enescu (1881-1955) Romanian Rhapsody no. 1

12 MIN.

Arnaud Sussmann, VIOLIN Sibbi Bernhardsson, VIOLIN Michael Adams, VIOLA Brandon Vamos, CELLO Scott Pingel, BASS Wei-Yi Yang, PIANO

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# Silverado Vineyards

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF CLAY AND BARBARA TIMON. Sunday, August 10, 5:00 pm

### The Romantics IV

### Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Serenade for flute, violin and viola in D major op. 25

22 MIN.

Entrata. Allegro Tempo ordinario dun Menuetto Allegro molto Andante con variazioni Allegro scherzando e vivace Adagio - Allegro vivace e disinvolto

Adam Kuenzel, FLUTE Axel Strauss, VIOLIN Masumi Per Rostad, VIOLA

### Zoltan Kodály (1882-1967)

Serenade for 2 violins and viola

21 MIN.

Allegramente — Sostenuto ma non troppo Lento ma non troppo Vivo

Arnaud Sussmann, VIOLIN Sibbi Bernhardsson, VIOLIN Roberto Díaz, viola

### Intermission

### Ernst von Dohnányi (1877-1960) Piano Quintet in C minor, op. 1

30 MIN.

Allegro Scherzo. Allegro Adagio, quasi andante Finale. Allegro animato

Axel Strauss, VIOLIN Daria Adams, VIOLIN Roberto Díaz, viola Tanya Tomkins, cello Wei-Yi Yang, PIANO

### The Hess Collection

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF ANNE AND GREG EVANS.

Wednesday, August 13 Pre-Concert Talk 6:30 pm | Concert 7:30 pm

### Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) Goldberg Variations, BWV. 988

(arr. Sitkovetsky)

57 MIN.

Aria

Variation 1 Variation 2

Variation 3 Canon at the unison

Variation 4 Variation 5

Variation 6 Canon at the second Variation 7 al tempo di Giga

Variation 8

Variation 9 Canon at the third

Variation 10 Variation 11

Variation 12 Canon at the fourth

Variation 13 Variation 14

Variation 15 Canon at the fifth: Andante

Daria Adams, VIOLIN Sabina Thatcher, VIOLA Beth Rapier, CELLO

Variation 16 Ouverture

Variation 17

Variation 18 Canon at the sixth

Variation 19 Variation 20

Variation 21 Canon at the seventh

Variation 22 Alla breve

Variation 23

Variation 24 Canon at the octave

Variation 25 Adagio

Variation 26

Variation 27 Canon at the ninth

Variation 28 Variation 29

Variation 30 Quodlibet

Aria da capo

### The Pacifica Quartet

### **Domaine Carneros**

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF DEBORAH AND RAYMOND TONELLA

Friday, August 15 7:30 pm

### **Cosentino Winery**

Saturday, August 16

5:00 pm

### Harvest Inn, Vineyard View Room

Sunday, August 17 5:00 pm

### Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

String Quartet in E flat major, op. 74 "Harp"

30 MIN.

Poco adagio - Allegro Adagio ma non troppo Presto Allegretto con variazioni

### Intermission

### Dmitri Shostakovich (1906-1975)

String Quartet no. 9 in E-flat major, op. 117

24 MIN.

Moderato con moto

Adagio

Allegretto

Adagio

Allegro

### THE PACIFICA QUARTET

Simin Ganatra, VIOLIN Sibbi Bernhardsson, VIOLIN Masumi Per Rostad, VIOLA Brandon Vamos, CELLO

# Basically Brahms

### Whetstone Wine Cellars

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF NANCY POLLACEK. Friday, August 15

### Acacia Vineyard

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF MICHAEL AND PEPPER JACKSON

Saturday, August 16 5:00 pm

### Whitehall Lane Winery

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF MICHAEL AND SUSANNA STEINBERG

Sunday, August 17 5:00 pm

### Johannes Brahms (1833-1897) Sextet for strings in B flat major, op.18

36 MIN.

7:30 pm

Allegro ma non troppo Andante ma moderato Scherzo, Allegro molto Rondo. Poco allegretto e grazioso

Tessa Lark, violin Ara Gregorian, VIOLIN Jonathan Vinocour, VIOLA Phillip Ying, VIOLA Narek Hakhnazaryan, CELLO Anthony Ross, CELLO

### Intermission

### Johannes Brahms (1833-1897) Sextet for strings in G major, op. 36

38 MIN.

Allegro non troppo Scherzo. Allegro non troppo Poco adagio Poco allegro

Ara Gregorian, VIOLIN Tessa Lark, violin Phillip Ying, VIOLA Jonathan Vinocour, VIOLA Anthony Ross, CELLO Narek Hakhnazaryan, cello

### Of Love and Loss

### **Grgich Hills Estate**

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF VIOLET GRGICH AND COLIN SHIPMAN.

Friday, August 15 7:30 pm

### **Provenance Vineyards**

Saturday, August 16 5:00 pm

### **Chimney Rock**

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF ROSEMARY AND GARY RICHARDSON.

Sunday, August 17 5:00 pm

### Transcriptions by Franz Liszt

### Franz Liszt (1811-1886) Dream of Love

5 MIN

### Robert Schumann (1810-1856) Dedication, op. 25 no. 1

3 MIN.

### Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

Gretchen at the Spinning Wheel, D. 118

4 MIN.

Ave Maria, D. 839

5 MIN

### Richard Wagner (1813-1883)

Love Death from Tristan and Isolde

7 MIN.

### Charles Gounod (1818-1893)

Waltz from Faust

10 MIN.

Victor Asuncion, PIANO

### Intermission

### Peteris Vasks (b. 1946)

Quartet for violin, viola, cello and piano

38 MIN.

Preludio

Danze

Canti drammatici

Quasi una passacaglia

Canto principale

Postludio

Daria Adams, VIOLIN Sabina Thatcher, VIOLA Beth Rapier, CELLO Victor Asuncion, PIANO

# Markham Vineyards

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF BARBARA AND DONALD NIEMANN.

Wednesday, August 20

Pre-Concert Talk 6:30 pm: A Violin's Life (and near death)—The History of the Lipinski Stradivarius Concert 7:30 pm

### Giuseppe Tartini (1692-1770)

Sonata in G minor, Devil's Trill

18 MIN.

Larghetto affettuoso Allegro moderato Andante - Allegro assai (Devil's Trill)

### Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

Violin Sonata no. 2 in D minor, op. 121

Ziemlich langsam - Lebhaft Sehr lebahft Leise, einfach Bewegt

Frank Almond, VIOLIN William Wolfram, PIANO

Intermission

### Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Trio for horn, violin and piano, op. 40

35 MIN.

Andante Scherzo. Allegro Adagio mesto Finale. Allegro con brio

Michael Gast, HORN Frank Almond, VIOLIN William Wolfram, PIANO

# Robert Mondavi Winery

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF KEITH AND PRISCILLA GEESLIN. Friday, August 22, 7:30 pm

### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791) Quintet for horn and strings in E flat major, K. 407

18 MIN.

Allegro Andante Rondo, Allegro

Michael Gast, HORN Frank Almond, VIOLIN Michael Adams, VIOLA Thomas Turner, VIOLA Suren Bagratuni, cello

### Witold Lutoslawski (1913-1994) Five Bucolics for viola and cello

6 MIN

Allegro vivace Allegretto sostenuto, poco rubato Allegro molto Andantino Allegro marciale

Thomas Turner, VIOLA Suren Bagratuni, cello

### Handel-Halvorsen

Passacaglia for violin and cello

7 MIN.

Carmit Zori, VIOLIN Suren Bagratuni, cello

### Intermission

### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791) Grande Sestetto Concertante, (after Sinfonia Concertante, K. 364)

31 MIN.

Allegro maestoso Andante Presto

Ara Gregorian, VIOLIN Youjin Lee, VIOLIN Thomas Turner, viola Michael Adams, VIOLA Robert deMaine, cello Suren Bagratuni, CELLO

## HALL, St. Helena

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF JAMES AND BARBARA ROCKETT. IN MEMORY OF PAT PERINI-LONG

Saturday, August 23, 7:30 pm

### Miklós Rózsa (1907-1995)

North Hungarian Peasant Songs and Dances for violin and piano op.5

8 MIN.

Molto tranquillo Allegro giusto Andante sostenuto Allegro giocoso

Ara Gregorian, VIOLIN William Wolfram, PIANO

### M. Haydn/W.A. Mozart

Romance (From Horn Concerto K. 447)

5 MIN.

Michael Gast, HORN Carmit Zori, VIOLIN Youjin Lee, VIOLIN Thomas Turner, VIOLA Robert deMaine, cello

### Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990)

Piano Trio

16 MIN.

Adagio non troppo - Più mosso - Allegro vivace Tempo di marcia Largo — Allegro vivo et molto ritmico

Carmit Zori, VIOLIN Robert deMaine, CELLO William Wolfram, PIANO

### Intermission

### Franz Josef Haydn (1732-1809) String Quartet op. 20 no. 5 in F minor

Allegro moderato Menuetto, Trio Adagio Finale. Fuga

Frank Almond, VIOLIN Daria Adams, VIOLIN Michael Adams, VIOLA Robert deMaine, cello

# Clos Pegase

THIS CONCERT MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF JOHN AND ULLA BROWN AND WARREN AND MARITZA NELSON.

Sunday, August 24, 5:00 pm

### Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741) The Four Seasons

40 MIN

Concerto no. 1 in E major, op. 8, Spring

Allegro

Largo e pianissimo sempre

Allegro pastorale

Concerto no. 2 in G minor, op. 8, Summer

Allegro non molto

Adagio e piano, Presto e forte

Presto

Youjin Lee, SOLO VIOLIN

Concerto no. 3 in F major, op. 8, Autumn

Allegro

Adagio molto

Allegro

Concerto no. 4 in F minor, op. 8, Winter

Allegro non molto

Largo

Allegro

Carmit Zori. SOLO VIOLIN

#### Intermission

Astor Piazolla (1921-1992)

The Four Seasons of Buenos Aires

Verano Porteño (Summer)

Otoño Porteño (Autumn)

Invierno Porteño (Winter)

Primavera Porteño (Spring)

Ara Gregorian, SOLO VIOLIN

ENSEMBLE:

Frank Almond, VIOLIN

Daria Adams, VIOLIN

Thomas Turner, viola

Michael Adams, VIOLA

Suren Bagratuni, CELLO

Robert deMaine, cello

Scott Pingel, BASS

Corey Jamason, HARPISCHORD



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# Music in the Vineyards 20th Anniversary

Once upon a time, we had this crazy idea: to present chamber music concerts in the unique winery spaces of the Napa Valley. Further, we wanted to pay homage to the idea that chamber music was meant to be performed in small intimate spaces, as the composers intended. Our instincts told us it just made sense to add a high quality musical component to an area already world-famous for wine and food.

That dream started in August of 1995 when *Music in the Vineyards* presented six concerts in three weeks on a shoestring

budget. People seemed hungry for the idea right away, as evidenced through their enthusiasm and support.

Now that we are turning 20, we are proud of the added cultural value and economic impact that *Music in the Vineyards* has brought to the Napa Valley. We have built a festival that is both well-known and respected internationally in the music industry. In 2010, MITV was even named among the "Top 7 U.S. Summer Festivals" by *The Strad*, a leading international industry magazine devoted to classical music.

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# The 1,2,3s of MITV

COUNT WITH US AS WE CELEBRATE 20 YEARS!







Supportive Parents: Gail & Harry Adams, whose hard work and encouragement were critical to the festival's success.



### **Executive Directors:**

Gail Adams (1995-2001), Joan Lounsbery (2001-2007), and Evie Ayers (2007-current); all experts at the craft of making artistic vision a reality.

Executive Director Evie Ayers is toasted by the musicians

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Weeks of our expanded **20th Anniversary Festival** in 2014.

# Commissioned works by composers:

David Evan Thomas (2002)
Daniel Brewbaker (2004 & 2012)
Miguel Del Aguila (2006)
and Maria Schneider (2014)

Number of concerts presented at our 1995 inaugural festival.

The Strad, a highly-respected international string music magazine, named Music in the Vineyards one of the top seven American summer music festivals.



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In 2004, we celebrated 10 years with 10 concerts.





Guest String Quartets: Alcan,
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and Ying.

Years we've been gifted the volunteer talents of photographer **Chick Harrity**, whose stunning images can be found throughout this program and on our website.

Years we've had the privilege of Susan Andrews serving as our volunteer coordinator.

Years we've owned our
"Hamburg" Steinway Piano,
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Years we've hosted **Tables**in the **Vineyards**, exquisite
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the tireless Jackie Jackson.

MITV's age when we introduced 16 Roll Over Beethoven, designed to raise funds while celebrating the many musical gifts of our wine community.

**Current Board Members** 17 See page 44 for a complete list.

Years we've hosted Kitchens in the Vineyards, our annual home and garden tour. This wildly successful fundraiser was the brainchild of volunteers Melinda Mendelson and Bonnie Lind.



Winery venues hosting our festival this season. These scenic and intimate venues are a large part of what makes our festival so unique.

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**Years of Music** in the Vineyards, made possible because of you, our family of patrons!

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By 2014, we will have commissioned five important new pieces which have added to the repertoire and helped nurture the art form of chamber music. Along the way, we have brought together countless musicians who nurtured friendships and forged new relationships that have flourished long after they have left the Napa Valley. Our experience has shown that if you bring talented musicians together to a beautiful place, take good care of them and feed them well, they play beautifully.

As with any big venture, it takes the talents and efforts of many individuals to create a recipe for success. We have so many people to thank who have been critical to our 20 years of success. In addition to those mentioned below, be sure to check out our numerical history on pages 21-24 for a partial list of contributors who helped pave our way.

First and foremost are the many people who have served on our Board of Directors; more specifically, the past Board Presidents whose vision and generosity helped us achieve our goals (see special highlight on this page). We have also benefitted from the tireless efforts of three talented Executive Directors: our founder Gail Adams (1995-2002) followed by Joan Lounsbery (2002-2007), and currently, Evie Ayers.

We have many generous venue hosts over the years too numerous to mention, but there are two who deserve special commendations: Ron and Diane Miller of Silverado Vineyards for repeatedly going above and beyond the call of duty with their generosity, and Jan Schrem of Clos Pegase Winery, the one venue that has welcomed us for all 20 years!

There are several key musicians we'd like to thank, whose important early support in performing benefit concerts helped us raise funds and establish our musical bona fides: pianist Garrick Ohlsson, The Tokyo Quartet, cellist Lynn Harrell, violinist Cho-Liang Lin and

### Thank you, MITV Presidents

Over the twenty years of Music in the Vinevards' existence, eight leaders have served as president of our Board of Directors. They have given tirelessly of their time, expertise, influence, and finances, providing leadership by word, action and example. Even as retired board presidents, they continue to act as key ambassadors of the organization through advocacy of our festival, volunteer work on committees, fundraising on our behalf, and making personal donations. Their loyal financial support of Music in the Vineyards has exceeded a quarter of a million dollars.

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Now sit back and enjoy the culmination of 20 years of building *Music in the Vineyards*, your Napa Valley chamber music festival!

Michael and Daria Adams Artistic Directors

# Special Events

### Midsummer Mystique

Saturday, August 2, 5:30 pm

Clos Pegase 1060 Dunaweal Lane, Calistoga clospegase.com

An enchanting evening of food, wine and music to celebrate our 20th Anniversary, including a sparkling wine and hors d'oeuvres reception, concert in the Cave Theatre, gourmet dinner, live auction, and Russian folk music from Trio Voronezh.

### Sponsor Reception

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Saturday, August 9, 7:00 pm

Silverado Vineyards 6121 Silverado Trail, Napa silveradovineyards.com

A special by-invitation-only sponsor reception with Dawn Upshaw, Maria Schneider and MITV musicians. Silverado Vineyards wines will be paired with delectable hors d'oeuvres and served on the western terrace overlooking the vineyards below.

### Meet the Musicians

Sunday, August 17, 7:30 pm

Raymond Vineyards 849 Zinfandel Lane, St. Helena raymondvineyards.com

Outdoors at Raymond Vineyards, a casual evening of eating, drinking, and enjoyable conversation about all things Music in the Vineyards, with the musicians and artistic directors!

### Meadowood Closing Night Party

SPONSORED BY NANCY POLLACEK DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF BILL POLLACEK, A LONGTIME PATRON AND SUPPORTER OF MUSIC IN THE VINEYARDS

Sunday, August 24, 7:30 pm

900 Meadowood Lane, St. Helena meadowood.com

Artistic Directors Michael and Daria Adams once again invite you to join them for our end-ofseason party. Mingle with our musicians under the stars at our celebration on the Meadowood Lawn with premier wines and a buffet dinner.

### Free Open Rehearsals

Thursdays from 2:00 pm - 4:30 pm July 31, August 7, 14 and 21

Napa Valley Performing Arts Center at Lincoln Theater 100 California Drive, Yountville lincolntheater.com

A number of rehearsal rooms will be open for you to enjoy different ensembles or soloists rehearsing the repertoire for the upcoming concerts.



# in the vineyards Education Programs

# Youth Solo Instrumental Competition

New in 2014, the competition is for young instrumentalists in grades 10 – 12 residing in Napa County. Winners are awarded a cash prize plus the opportunity to perform at a pre-concert recital as part of the festival. The 2014 final was held on April 16th on the stage of the Lincoln Theater and the two winners were:

First Place: Brandon Lew, PIANO Second Place: Maya Harris, CELLO

The winners' pre-concert recital will take place on Friday August 8th, 6:30 pm at Silverado Vineyards.

### Boys & Girls Club

This year as part of the festival's outreach work, Dawn Harms and her Rhythm Sisters went to the Boys and Girls Clubs in Napa and American Canyon with two one-hour participatory performances for ages 6 to 12. These family-friendly performances inspire the children to write a song, try an instrument, listen and take part in music.

### Scholarship Program

For the past three years we have partnered with the Napa Valley Youth Symphony Orchestra in a new program designed to help promising young music students in the Napa Valley keep up with the cost of music lessons. We provide funds to cover the cost of one year of music lessons for the following deserving high school musicians who are members of the Orchestra.

#### The 2013/14 students are:

Marina Lopez, VIOLIN Andres Delarosa, VIOLIN Yahaira Victorino, VIOLIN

These programs are made possible through the proceeds of the Gail and Harry Adams Artists Fund established by Music in the Vineyards in 2013 and funded by our generous festival supporters.

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Each April, five hosts in the heart of wine country graciously open the doors of their stunning estate homes for Kitchens in the Vineyards, a home tour benefiting *Music in the Vineyards*. The one-of-a-kind tour features kitchens, dining rooms, entertainment areas and gardens, all enhanced by professional, springtime floral designs and table settings. Visitors enjoy tastings offered by well-known Napa Valley chefs and meet cookbook authors available to autograph their books.

Julia Jervis, Chair

Thank you to our 2014 homeowners:

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Join us next spring on April 24 & 25, 2015 for the 18th Annual *Kitchens in the Vineyards'* Preview Party and Home Tour.

For more information about Kitchens in the Vineyards, please visit musicinthevineyards.org or call 707.258.5559.

### Tables in the Vineyards

Music in the Vineyards invites you to join others at intimate epicurean events reflecting Napa Valley lifestyles. All proceeds benefit Music in the Vineyards.

A special thank you to Jacqueline Jackson for her continued support of this event.

### **Special Thanks To:**

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We apologize for any omissions due to our print deadline.

# Artist Biographies

### Daria Adams, violin

ADOPTED BY KEITH & PRISCILLA GEESLIN

Education: New England Conservatory of

Music; SUNY/Stonybrook

Featured Appearances: Newport Festival: Banff; Cactus Pear Festival; Bach Dancing and **Dynamite Society** 

Violinist Daria Adams, the founding Artistic Director of Music in the Vineyards along with her husband Michael, is a member of the world-renowned St Paul Chamber Orchestra (SPCO) where she is featured frequently in solo and chamber music performances. An ardent Baroque music lover, Daria is a founding member of the Blue Baroque Band (BBB) made up of colleagues from the SPCO. The BBB was a featured ensemble-in-residence at MITV in 2006 and 2009. Daria spent four years playing in the Santa Fe Opera Orchestra, where she also took an interest in a musician lurking in the back of the pit, one Michael Adams. She now lives in suburban Minneapolis with her husband, three children (21, 19 and 17), a dog (Chester, who will be in residence this summer!), and a really annoying cat.

### Michael Adams, viola

ADOPTED BY ANGUS & MARGARET WURTELE

Education: The Eastman School of Music: Mannes College of Music

Featured Appearances: The Minnesota Orchestra: Chicago Symphony: National Symphony; Detroit Symphony; San Francisco Symphony; Atlanta Symphony, Indianapolis Symphony

Violist Michael Adams has carved out a unique career that has lead down many roads: as a chamber musician, an orchestral player, writer on music, radio commentator and producer, host of the Minnesota Orchestra's 'Adventures in Music' family concerts, and, along with his violinist wife Daria, the founding Artistic Director of Music in the Vineyards. As MITV's concert commentator and emcee, his goal is to make the music sound so interesting with stories, explanations and analysis that people can't wait to hear it. Michael joined the viola section of the Minnesota Orchestra in 1988 after a successful stint as a music producer and host for classical WCAL-FM in Minneapolis/St. Paul, and currently for Minnesota Public Radio. He is the father to three children, ages 21, 19 and 17, who can't understand how anyone would be willing to pay to hear their father speak. Michael is an avid bicyclist, enjoys canoe camping in Minnesota's Boundary Waters Wilderness Area, sailing with friends on Lake Superior and planning fantasy vacation trips with his collection of maps.

### Frank Almond, violin

ADOPTED BY DEBORAH & RAYMOND TONELLA

Education: The Julliard School of Music Featured Appearances: Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, The Ravinia Festival, La Jolla Summerfest

Violinist Frank Almond holds the Charles and Marie Caestecker Concertmaster Chair at the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra. He returned to the MSO after holding positions as Concertmaster of the Rotterdam Philharmonic under Valery Gergiev, and Guest Concertmaster of the London Philharmonic under Kurt Masur. At 17, he was one of the youngest prizewinners in the history of the Nicolo Paganini Competition in Genoa, Italy, and five years later was one of two American prizewinners at the Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow. In April 2013 AVIE recordings released A Violin's Life, with pianist William Wolfram, featuring works and composers directly associated with the "Lipinski" Stradivarius that Frank performs on. In January 2014, the "Lipinski" Stradivari was stolen from Mr. Almond in an armed robbery after a concert. The violin was recovered nine days later, and the story continues to make headlines around the world. Mr. Almond is extremely grateful to the Milwaukee Police Department, the FBI, and the thousands of individuals who sent messages of concern and support.

Victor Asuncion, piano

ADOPTED BY MICHAEL AND SUSANNA STEINBERG

**Education:** University of Maryland, College Park **Featured Appearances:** Music festivals in Santa Fe; Aspen; Madison; and Amelia Island. GA

Hailed by the Washington Post for his "poised and imaginative playing," Victor is recognized as a pianist of innate musical sensitivity, fiery temperament and superb technique. A chamber music enthusiast, he collaborates regularly with artists Lynn Harrell, Zuill Bailey, Cho-Liang Lin, Ronald Leonard, and the Vega and Emerson String quartets. Victor is also sought after as a piano, vocal, and chamber music coach. He was appointed assistant professor at the University of Memphis in 2003 and Director of Piano and Collaborative Arts Studies in 2004. He is an Associate Professor of Piano, and the Director of Collaborative Piano Studies at the University of Memphis in Tennessee.

### Suren Bagratuni, cello

**Education:** Moscow Conservatory; New England Conservatory of Music

Featured Appearances: Armenian State Radio Orchestra; Moscow Philharmonic; Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center

Winner of the silver medal at the 1986 International Tchaikovsky Competition while still a student, Bagratuni has gone on to a distinguished international career as a soloist, recitalist, and chamber musician. Born in Yerevan, Armenia, he began his musical education there at the age of seven. After winning several national and international competitions in his youth, he has performed with all the major orchestras in the former Soviet Union, and with numerous orchestras in Europe, Asia, and North and South America. Bagratuni has won critical acclaim for his recordings, featuring solo suites by Bach, and sonatas by Beethoven, Debussy,

Rachmaninov, Prokofiev, and Shostakovich. Bagratuni is currently Artist-Teacher and Professor of Cello at Michigan State University.

### Robert deMaine, cello

ADOPTED BY WARREN & MARITZA NELSON

**Education:** The Juilliard School of Music; The Eastman School of Music; Yale University; University of Southern California

Featured Appearances: Marlboro Festival; Carnegie Hall; Lincoln Center; Teatro Colón, Buenos Aires

Robert deMaine has distinguished himself as a soloist, recitalist, orchestral principal, recording artist, and chamber musician. A fourth-generation string player, Robert was introduced to the cello at the age of four by his mother and sister, both accomplished cellists, and by the time he was ten years old was performing such demanding works as Tchaikovsky's 'Rococo Variations.' In 1990, Robert became the first cellist ever to win the Irving M. Klein International String Competition. Until recently, Robert served as the Principal Cellist of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. In 2013 he was named the Principal Cellist of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra.

### Roberto Díaz, viola

Education: New England Conservatory of Music; The Curtis Institute of Music
Featured Appearances: Iris Chamber
Orchestra; The Philadelphia Orchestra; The New Haven Symphony

A violist of international reputation, Roberto Díaz is President of the Curtis Institute of Music, following in the footsteps of such renowned directors as Josef Hofmann, Efrem Zimbalist, and Rudolf Serkin. As a teacher of viola at Curtis and former principal viola of the Philadelphia Orchestra, Mr. Díaz has already had a significant impact on American musical life and continues to do so in his dual roles as performer and educator.

As a soloist, Mr. Díaz collaborates with leading conductors of our time on stages throughout North and South America, Europe, and Asia.

He has also worked directly with important 20th- and 21st-century composers, including Krzysztof Penderecki, whose viola concerto he has performed many times with the composer on the podium and whose double concerto he premiered in the United States this past season. In addition to his commitments at Curtis, Mr. Díaz continues to perform as a soloist and collaborates with leading conductors of our time on stages throughout North and South America, Europe, and Asia. Mr. Díaz has toured Europe, Asia, and the Americas as a member of the Díaz Trio with violinist Andrés Cárdenes and cellist Andrés Díaz. Mr. Díaz also has a degree in industrial design. He performs on the "ex-Primrose" Amati viola.

### Nicole Divall, viola

Education: Canberra School of Music: Hart School of Music and Dance; University of Michigan

A prizewinner in the 1997 Lionel Tertis International Viola Competition, Nicole has performed at numerous festivals in the US and Australia, where she is a member of the Australian Chamber Orchestra. An experienced chamber musician, Nikki has appeared as guest violist with the St. Petersburg String Quartet, the Los Angeles Piano Quartet, the American String Quartet and has performed Mendelssohn's Octet with the Emerson Quartet. She has performed as a soloist with the Cleveland Chamber Symphony on frequent occasions, and her performance of Bach's Brandenberg Concerto No. 6 with Apollo's Fire can be heard on the Electra CD label.

### **Escher String Quartet**

Adam Barnett-Hart, VIOLIN Aaron Boyd, VIOLIN Pierre Lapointe, VIOLA Dane Johansen, cello

The Escher String Quartet has received acclaim for its profound musical insight and rare tonal beauty. Within months of its inception in 2005, the Escher Quartet was invited by both Pinchas Zukerman and Itzhak Perlman to be Quartetin-Residence at each artist's summer festival.

In its home town of New York, the ensemble serves as Artists of The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center. In 2013, the Quartet became one of the very few chamber ensembles to be awarded the prestigious Avery Fischer Career Grant. The Escher Quartet has recorded the complete Zemlinsky String Quartets on the Naxos label, and forthcoming releases include the Mendelssohn Quartet cycle on the BIS label. The Quartet takes its name from Dutch graphic artist M.C. Escher, inspired by Escher's method of interplay between individual components working together to form a greater whole.

### Michael Gast, horn

ADOPTED BY MARGRIT BIEVER MONDAVI

Education: Florida State University; The Curtis Institute of Music

Featured Appearances: The Minnesota Orchestra; Philadelphia Orchestra; New York Philharmonic; Chicago Symphony; Los Angeles Philharmonic; Dallas Symphony; Detroit Symphony; Grand Teton Music Festival

Michael Gast, Principal Horn of the Minnesota Orchestra, grew up in the shadow of Cape Canaveral, as his father was indeed a rocket scientist who helped design and implement the communication systems used for the Apollo moon missions. Michael began playing the cornet, but switched to the horn late in high school, leading to acceptance at the prestigious Curtis Institute of Music. His first professional position upon graduation was Principal Horn of the Jacksonville Symphony, followed by stints in the San Antonio Symphony and the Philharmonic Orchestra of Florida before he won his current position with the Minnesota Orchestra. Currently a Lecturer in Horn at the University of Minnesota, he is in demand as a teacher and lecturer at colleges, conservatories and festivals worldwide. For the 2013-14 concert season Michael served as acting Associate Principal Horn of the New York Philharmonic.

#### Ara Gregorian, violin

ADOPTED BY JOAN & DONALD TRAUNER

Education: The Julliard School of Music
Featured Appearances: Carnegie Hall;
Lincoln Center; Kennedy Center; Springlight,
Finland; Storioni, Holland; Summer Solstice,
Canada; Casals Festival, Puerto Rico; Music
Festivals of Santa Fe, Skaneateles, Bach
Dancing and Dynamite Society, Cactus Pear,
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Known for his thrilling performances and musical creativity, Ara made his New York recital debut in 1996 in Carnegie Hall's Weill Recital Hall and his debut as soloist with the Boston Pops Orchestra in Symphony Hall in 1997. Since that time he has established himself as one of the most soughtafter and versatile musicians of his generation. Ara has taken an active role as a performer and presenter of chamber music as well, as the founder and Artistic Director of the Four Seasons Chamber Music Festival in Greenville. North Carolina, which will be celebrating its 15th Anniversary Season. Ara is the Four Seasons Chamber Music Festival Distinguished Professor of Violin at East Carolina University, where he has been on the violin faculty since 1998.

#### Narek Hakhnazaryan, cello

**Education:** Moscow Conservatory; New England Conservatory of Music

**Featured Appearances:** London Symphony; Chicago Symphony; Rotterdam Philharmonic; Dallas Symphony; Ravinia Festival; Aspen

Festival

Narek Hakhnazaryan was awarded the Gold Medal at the 2011 XIV International Tchaikovsky Competition, the most prestigious prize given to a cellist. Already hailed a "seasoned phenom" by the Washington Post, and praised for his "intense focus and expressive artistry" by the New York Times, Hakhnazaryan is emerging as one of the most significant young artists on the world stage. Narek was born in 1988 in Yerevan, Armenia, into a family of musicians: his father is a violinist and his mother is a pianist. Mentored by Mstislav Rostropovich, Narek was the only cellist invited to travel on behalf of the

Rostropovich Foundation. Narek will appear in recital this season at Carnegie's Zankel Hall and will embark on a 3-week US tour playing the Dvořák Concerto with the Estonian National Symphony conducted by Neeme Järvii.

#### Dawn Harms, violin

Education: SUNY/Stonybrook; New England

Conservatory of Music

Featured Appearances: San Francisco Opera; Aspen Music Festival; Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra; Sacramento Symphony

Dawn Harms' diverse career path includes roles as a chamber musician, violin soloist, concertmaster, and conductor. She is a member of the San Francisco Opera Orchestra and Associate Concertmaster for the New Century Chamber Orchestra. She also records regularly at Skywalker Studios for movies and video games. She is the co-founder and Music Director of the Music at Kirkwood chamber music festival, and currently serves on the music faculty at Stanford University. Ms. Harms was recently appointed Music Director of the Bay Area Rainbow Symphony. For ten years Dawn was first violinist with the Harrington String Quartet, winners of the Grand Prize at the prestigious Fischoff and Evian International chamber music competitions. For five summers, she was a member of the Santa Fe Opera orchestra.

#### Corey Jamason, harpsichord

**Education:** SUNY-Purchase; Yale University; and the Early Music Institute at Indiana University

**Featured Appearances:** San Francisco Symphony; San Luis Obispo Mozart Festival; Whidbey Island Festival; Norfolk Festival

Corey Jamason is a Grammy-nominated harpsichordist whose playing of Bach was described in the *Los Angeles Times* as displaying "the careful, due balance of objective detachment and lofty passion." He appears frequently with American Bach Soloists, with whom he is principal keyboardist and has performed with a variety of ensembles including

the San Francisco Symphony, Los Angeles Opera, Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra, Musica Angelica, Camerata Pacifica, Yale Spectrum, Musica Pacifica, and El Mundo. He joined the faculty of the San Francisco Conservatory in 2001 where he is director of the school's historical performance program and professor of harpsichord.

#### Adam Kuenzel, flute

ADOPTED BY MARIAN J. BERG & DAVID WEHLITZ

**Education:** Oberlin College Conservatory

Featured Appearances: Minnesota

Orchestra; Pittsburgh Symphony; Chicago Symphony; Baltimore Symphony; Dallas Symphony; Aspen Music Festival; Grand Teton Music Festival; Spoleto Festival; Oregon Bach Festival

Adam Kuenzel is principal flutist of the Minnesota Orchestra. A native of Cincinnati, Kuenzel attended the Oberlin Conservatory, After graduation, he studied with Thomas Nyfenger in New Haven and played in jazz groups for two vears in Cincinnati, A dedicated athlete, Adam competes in cross-country ski races, triathlon, and running events. He performs community service for the Compassionate Ocean Dharma Center as a volunteer worker and is renovating a building in Minneapolis for their permanent home.

#### Tessa Lark, violin

ADOPTED BY ANNE & GREG EVANS

Education: New England Conservatory of Music; Cincinnati Conservatory of Music

Featured Appearances: Aspen Festival; Ravinia Festival: Yellow Barn Music Festival: Music@Menlo; Gettysburg Chamber Orchestra; Cincinnati Symphony; Louisville Orchestra; Cheyenne Symphony

Winner of the coveted Naumburg International Violin Competition in 2012, Tessa Lark is one of the most captivating artistic voices of her time. She has been consistently praised by critics and audiences alike for her astounding range of sounds, technical agility and musical elegance.

Tessa was recently named a 2014 recipient of a career grant from the Leonore Annenberg Fellowship Fund for the Performing and Visual Arts. As a result she will soon release her debut CD recording of Telemann's Twelve Fantasies for Solo Violin. She was also the first prize winner in the 2008 Irving M. Klein International String Competition, and as such, was the first musician featured at MITV in 2008. A passionate chamber musician, she has been invited to many summer festivals including Yellow Barn, Steans Institute at the Ravinia Festival, the Perlman Music Program's Chamber Music Workshop, and Music@Menlo. Keeping in touch with her Kentucky roots, Tessa enjoys playing bluegrass and Appalachian music. She collaborates frequently with Mark O'Connor and is included in his CD "MOC4" which was released in June 2014. Lark plays a Tononi violin, made in 1675, on generous loan to her from the Ravinia Festival.

#### Youjin Lee, violin

Education: Colburn Conservatory of Music Featured Appearances: Irving M. Klein International String Competition (2013)

South Korea-born violinist Youjin Lee, 18, is the First Prize winner of the 2013 Irving M. Klein International String Competition. She began her violin studies at age 3. She made her musical debut at age 7 at the Inchon City Association of Music Competition, where she won First Prize. Lee has won many of Korea's major national competitions, including the Baroque Competition, Korea Times Competition and Seoul Art Center Concert for Talented Musicians.

Since summer 2011, Lee has been a student at the Perlman Music Program led by Itzhak Perlman. She recently won the Downey Symphony and Bellflower Symphony young artist competitions. She currently lives in southern California, where she studies at the Colburn Conservatory of Music in Los Angeles.

Music in the Vineyards is happy to have once again partnered with the Irving M. Klein International String Competition. Every year, the winner performs at the festival as part of the prize. kleincompetition.org

#### Mark Nuccio, clarinet

ADOPTED BY LEE TRUCKER & HENNI COHEN

**Education:** University of Northern Colorado;

Northwestern University

Featured Appearances: Pittsburgh

Symphony; Denver Symphony; Merkin Concert Hall; Carnegie Hall; Metropolitan Museum of Art; Strings in the Mountain Festival; Hidden

Valley Music Festival

A Colorado native, Mark Nuccio has been the Associate Principal Clarinetist of the New York Philharmonic since 1999. For the past four seasons he has served as Acting Principal Clarinet of the Philharmonic. As a studio musician, Mr. Nuccio is featured on numerous movie soundtracks, including Failure To Launch, The Last Holiday, The Rookie, The Score, Intolerable Cruelty, Alamo, and The Manchurian Candidate. Beyond his active performing schedule, Mr. Nuccio is a dedicated teacher committed to training the next generation of musicians and currently serves on the faculty of the Manhattan School of Music in New York Citv.

#### Kenneth Olsen, cello

**Education:** Cleveland Institute of Music; The Juilliard School of Music

**Featured Appearances:** Chicago Symphony Orchestra; Ravinia Festival; Tanglewood Institute

A native New Yorker, Ken joined the Chicago Symphony Orchestra as assistant principal cello in 2005. He is also a founding member of the East Coast Chamber Orchestra (ECCO), a conductorless string orchestra comprised of young musicians from orchestras and ensembles all over the country. Ken was the first prize winner in the Nakamichi Cello Competition at the Aspen Music Festival and second prize winner at the 2002 Holland-America Music Society Competition. He also has been a participant at the Steans Institute for Young Artists at the Ravinia Festival and at Boston University's Tanglewood Institute.

#### **Pacifica Quartet**

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Recognized for its virtuosity, exuberant performance style, and often-daring repertory choices, over the past two decades the Pacifica Quartet has gained international stature as one of the finest chamber ensembles performing today. The Pacifica tours extensively throughout the United States, Europe, Asia, and Australia. performing regularly in the world's major concert halls. Named the guartet-in-residence at Indiana University's Jacobs School of Music in March 2012, the Pacifica was also the quartet-inresidence at the Metropolitan Museum of Art—a position that has otherwise been held only by the Guarneri String Quartet-and received the 2009 Grammy Award for Best Chamber Music Performance.

#### Scott Pingel, bass

ADOPTED BY CARL & LYN THORSEN

**Education:** University of Wisconsin/Eau Claire; Manhattan School of Music

Featured Appearances: Bellingham, Spoleto, Verbier, Tanglewood, and Music@Menlo Festivals

Scott Pingel began playing the double bass at age 17 because of a strong interest in jazz, Latin and classical music. In 2004, at age 29, he became principal bass of the San Francisco Symphony. Scott is also an active educator, having taught master classes at the Curtis Institute of Music, The Juilliard School, The Colburn School, Manhattan School of Music, Shanghai Conservatory and with the New World Symphony.

#### Beth Rapier, cello

ADOPTED BY DIANE FLYR

Education: Indiana University; SUNY/Stonybrook Featured Appearances: Cactus Pear Festival; The Bach Dancing and Dynamite Society

Born into a family of distinguished musicians, Beth Rapier began her career at age 16 as an apprentice with the Louisville Orchestra. Beth was a member of the Apple Hill Chamber Players before coming to Minnesota Orchestra as Assistant Principal Cello in 1986. An award winner at several competitions, including two McKnight Foundation Fellowships, she has performed chamber music throughout Asia, Europe, and the US. As a member of the Rosalyra Quartet, she appeared regularly at such venues as the Boston Chamber Music Society, Festival Mozart (France), New School Festival and Bargemusic in New York. Rapier is a frequent guest at festivals throughout the country, and has recorded quartets for Artegra and Boston Records. With her husband Anthony Ross, she presents an annual chamber music benefit concert for Habitat for Humanity.

#### Anthony Ross, cello

ADOPTED BY LACHLAN & ESTREYA REED

Education: Indiana University; SUNY/

Stonybrook

Featured Appearances: Minnesota

Orchestra; Moscow State Orchestra; Louisville Orchestra; Rochester Philharmonic; Mostly Mozart Festival; Colorado Music Festival; Cactus Pear Festival; The Bach Dancing and **Dynamite Society** 

The dynamic leader of the Minnesota Orchestra cello section since 1991, Anthony Ross has appeared as soloist multiple times with the Minnesota Orchestra, performing cello concertos under conductors Osmo Vanska, Edo de Waart and Eiji Oue. Prior to assuming the principal role in Minnesota, Tony was the Principal Cellist of the Rochester Philharmonic under David Zinman. Equally passionate about new music, he has championed James MacMillan's Cello Concerto, Paul Moravec's Montserrat, and he and his wife, cellist Beth Rapier, have championed David Ott's

Concerto for Two Cellos. Ross has taught at the Eastman School of Music, at the Aspen and Grand Tetons Music Festivals, and at the Interlochen and Madeline Island Music Camps. Ross is the proud parent of a vocalist daughter and a trumpet-playing son, and is also an avid sailor, tennis player, and cook. His Basset Hound, Frankie, oversees his home life.

#### Maria Schneider, composer

Education: University of Minnesota; The Eastman School of Music; University of Miami

Maria Schneider's music has been hailed by critics as "evocative, majestic, magical, heart-stoppingly gorgeous, and beyond categorization." She and her jazz orchestra became widely known starting in 1994 when they released their first recording, 'Evanescence.' With that recording, Schneider began to develop her personal way of writing for her 17-member collective, tailoring her compositions to distinctly highlight the unique voices of the group. Subsequently, the Maria Schneider Orchestra has performed at festivals and concert halls worldwide. She herself has received numerous commissions and quest conducting invites, working with over 85 groups from over 30 countries spanning Europe, South America, Australia, Asia and North America. Schneider and her orchestra have a distinguished recording history with nine Grammy nominations and two Grammy awards. Schneider's latest fan-funded recording with Dawn Upshaw ('Winter Morning Walks') earned three 2014 GRAMMY Awards: Best Contemporary Classical Composition ('Winter Morning Walks'), Best Classical Vocal Performance (Dawn Upshaw), and Best Engineered Recording/Classical (David Frost, Brian Losch, Tim Martyn).

#### Axel Strauss, violin

ADOPTED BY JOHN & ULLA BROWN

Education: The Julliard School of Music
Featured Appearances: Hamburg
Symphony; Seoul Philharmonic; Shanghai
Symphony; Utah Symphony; New York
Chamber Symphony; Budapest Philharmonic

The first German artist to ever win the international Naumburg Violin Competition in New York, Axel Strauss has been equally acclaimed for his virtuosity and his musical sensitivity. Axel frequently performs at various music festivals in the US. and abroad, taking him to Germany, India, Korea and Japan. At the age of seventeen he won the silver medal at the Enescu Competition in Romania and has been recognized with many other awards, including top prizes in the Bach, Wieniawski and Kocian competitions. Axel has been residing in the United States since 1996. He maintains a busy performance schedule and serves as Professor of Violin at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music and at McGill University in Canada.

#### Arnaud Sussmann, violin

ADOPTED BY MICHAEL & PEPPER JACKSON

**Education:** The Paris Conservatory; The Julliard School of Music

Featured Appearances: Carnegie Hall; Avery Fisher Hall; Wigmore Hall; Kennedy Center; Smithsonian Museum; Louvre Museum; New York Philharmonic; American Symphony Orchestra; Jerusalem Symphony

Winner of a 2009 Avery Fisher Career Grant, violinist Arnaud Sussmann is a multi-faceted and compelling artist who has performed as a soloist throughout the United States, Central America, Europe, and Asia. Arnaud is a passionate chamber musician and has been a member of The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center since 2006. He has performed with many of today's leading artists such as Itzhak Perlman, Menahem Pressler, Gary Hoffman, and Peter Frankl. The winner of several international competitions and prizes, Mr. Sussmann has recorded for Naxos, Albany Records, CMS Studio Recordings, and Deutsche

Grammophon's DG Concert Series. Arnaud was a student of Itzhak Perlman, who chose him to be his teaching assistant for two years.

#### Jeffrey Sykes, piano

ADOPTED BY NANCY POLLACEK

**Education:** University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Franz Schubert Institute, Vienna; University of Pennsylvania; Hochschule Für Musik, Frankfurt; University of Wisconsin

**Featured Appearances:** Carnegie Hall; WGBH Boston Public Radio; NPR's Performance Today; Bach Dancing and Dynamite Society; Cactus Pear Music Festival

Pianist Jeffrey Sykes has performed throughout North and South America, Western Europe, and Japan. He is the artistic director of the Bach Dancing and Dynamite Society of Wisconsin, an innovative chamber music festival now in its 24th season. He is the co-founder, along with violinist Axel Strauss and cellist Jean-Michel Fonteneau, of the San Francisco Piano Trio. For 17 years Jeffrey served as the Music Director of Opera for the Young, a professional opera company that gives more than 200 fully-staged performances a year to school children throughout the upper Midwest. He works extensively as a vocal coach throughout the U.S., teaches and coaches at the University of California at Berkeley and California State University/East Bay. Jeffrey served as guest Artistic Director of MITV in the 2007 season.

#### Sabina Thatcher, viola

**Education:** The Eastman School of Music; The Julliard School of Music

**Featured Appearances:** The St. Paul Chamber Orchestra; Aspen Festival; Spoleto Festival; Mozart Festival (Lille, France)

Sabina Thatcher began her tenure as principal viola of The Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra in 1989. She has been a soloist with the SPCO on numerous occasions, performing a wide variety of repertoire, including Mozart's Sinfonia Concertante, John Harbison's Viola Concerto and Lachrymae by Benjamin Britten. An active

chamber musician as well. Thatcher is a member of the Rosalyra String Quartet, which made its New York debut in 1996 and has released an album of Bartók and Beethoven quartets on the Boston Records label. In 2000, Rosalyra received a McKnight Artist Fellowship that facilitated a second recording featuring two Shostakovich quartets. Thatcher is a faculty member at the Aspen Music Festival and an adjunct teacher at the University of Minnesota. She has performed in festivals throughout the United States and abroad, including the Spoleto Festival and the Mozart Festival in Lille, France.

#### Tanya Tomkins, cello

ADOPTED BY PAUL & LINDA CANTEY

Education: Royal Conservatory of Music, The

Hague

Featured Appearances: Frick Collection; Lincoln Center; San Francisco Performances; The Concertgebouw Kleine Zaal; American Bach Soloists; The Oregon Bach Festival; Olympic Chamber Music Festival; The Moab Chamber Music Festival

Tanya Tomkins has appeared worldwide as soloist and in chamber music concerts on Baroque and modern cellos in venues including the Concertgebouw in Holland and "Great Performances" at Lincoln Center. A co-principal cellist in the Philharmonia Baroque and Portland Baroque Orchestras, she is also renowned for her solo Bach Cello Suites, which she has performed recently at Le Poisson Rouge, San Francisco Performances, and the Library of Congress. Her recording of the Suites ("moments of genius" -Gramophone Magazine) is on the Avie label. She has given many master classes, including at Yale, Juilliard and at the San Francisco Conservatory, and runs a house concert series that promotes young musicians together with Eric Zivian at their home in Berkeley. Tanya is currently a member of the Left Coast Chamber Ensemble and is co-artistic director for the new Valley of the Moon Festival in Sonoma.

#### Thomas Turner, viola

ADOPTED BY JOHN AND ULLA BROWN

Education: The Cleveland Institute of Music;

The Curtis Institute of Music

Featured Appearances: The Minnesota Orchestra; San Diego Symphony; Oregon

Bach Festival; Aspen Festival

Tom graduated from the Curtis Institute of Music, then spent the next 11 years serving as Principal Viola with the Radio Symphony Orchestra of Berlin. Homesick for the homeland, he joined the Minnesota Orchestra as its Principal Violist in 1994. For the 2013-14 concert season, Tom served as Guest Principal Violist with the San Diego Symphony Orchestra, A member of the Hill House Chamber Players in St. Paul, Minnesota, Tom teaches at the University of Minnesota and is Principal Viola of the Oregon Bach Festival every summer. He has three amazing children, and loves popcorn.

#### Dawn Upshaw, soprano

ADOPTED BY MARY & NICOLAS GRAVES

Education: Illinois Wesleyan University, The

Manhattan School of Music

Appearances: The major concert halls and

opera houses of the world!

Joining a rare natural warmth with a fierce commitment to the transforming communicative power of music, Dawn Upshaw has achieved worldwide celebrity as a singer of opera and concert repertoire ranging from the sacred works of Bach to the freshest sounds of today. In 2007, she was named a Fellow of the MacArthur Foundation, the first vocal artist to be awarded the five-year "genius" prize. She began her career as a 1984 winner of the Young Concert Artists Auditions and the 1985 Walter W. Naumburg Competition, and was a member of the Metropolitan Opera Young Artists Development Program. Her acclaimed performances on the opera stage include nearly 300 appearances at the Metropolitan Opera. Dawn Upshaw has also championed numerous new works created for her including The Great Gatsby by John Harbison; the Grawemeyer Award-winning opera, L'Amour de Loin and

oratorio *La Passion de Simone* by Kaija Saariaho; John Adams's Nativity oratorio *El Niño*; Osvaldo Golijov's chamber opera *Ainadamar* and Maria Schneider's *Carlos Drummond de Andrade Stories*.

It says much about Dawn Upshaw's sensibilities as an artist and colleague that she is a favored partner of many leading musicians, including Richard Goode, the Kronos Quartet, James Levine, and Esa-Pekka Salonen. A fourtime Grammy Award winner, Dawn Upshaw is featured on more than 50 recordings, including the million-selling Symphony No. 3 by Henryk Gorecki.

#### Jonathan Vinocour, viola

ADOPTED BY PETER & PATRICIA KITCHAK

**Education:** Princeton University; New England Conservatory of Music

**Featured Appearances:** The San Francisco Symphony; The St. Louis Symphony; Marlboro Music Festival; Ravinia Festival; Prussia Cove (U.K.); Aspen Music Festival; Tanglewood Institute

Jonathan Vinocour joined the San Francisco Symphony as Principal Violist in 2009, having previously served as principal violist of the Saint Louis Symphony and guest principal violist of the Leipzig Gewandhaus. Originally from Rochester, NY, Jonathan is an active solo performer, and recently received First Prize in the Holland America Music Society Competition. As a result of this award, he has been featured on the Dame Myra Hess Recital Series and Live from WFMT, a recital program on Chicago's classical radio station. He recorded his first solo album recently, with the support of the Holland America Music Society. He is a regular coach at the New World Symphony in Miami and is also on the faculty of the newly formed San Francisco Academy Orchestra's Artist Diploma program for orchestral training. He plays a rare 1784 Lorenzo Storioni viola, on loan from the San Francisco Symphony. Interesting factoid: Jonathan holds a degree in Chemistry from Princeton!

#### William Wolfram, piano

ADOPTED BY BRUCE & MARTHA ATWATER

Education: The Julliard School of Music
Featured Appearances: Symphony
Orchestras of Minnesota, San Francisco,
Saint Louis, Indianapolis, Seattle, Baltimore,
Colorado, Nashville, Oregon, Utah and
New Jersey; the Buffalo Philharmonic; the
National Symphony Orchestra; and the Grand
Teton and San Luis Obispo Mozart festival
orchestras

American pianist William Wolfram was a silver medalist at both the William Kapell and the Naumburg International Piano Competitions, a bronze medalist at the prestigious Tchaikovsky Piano Competition in Moscow and finalist in the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition.

Wolfram has appeared with many of the greatest orchestras of the world and has developed a special reputation as the rare concerto soloist who is also equally versatile and adept as a recitalist, accompanist and chamber musician. In all of these genres, he is highly sought after for his special focus on the music of Franz Liszt and Beethoven and is a special champion for the music of modernist 20th century American composers. An enthusiastic supporter of new music, he has collaborated with and performed music by composers such as Aaron Jay Kernis, Kenneth Frazelle, Marc Andre Dalbavie, Kenji Bunch, and Paul Chihara. He has recorded three titles on the Naxos label. in his series of Franz Liszt Opera Transcriptions and two other chamber music titles for Naxos with violinist Philippe Quint. On television, he was a featured pianist in the documentary of the 1986 Tchaikovsky International Piano Competition. Bill Wolfram resides in New York City with his wife and two daughters.

#### Wei-Yi Yang, piano

ADOPTED BY MELINDA & RALPH MENDELSON

Education: Princeton University: New England

Conservatory of Music

Featured Appearances: Marlboro Music Festival; Ravinia Festival; Prussia Cove (U.K.); Aspen Music Festival; Tanglewood Music Center

Pianist Wei-Yi Yang has earned worldwide acclaim for his captivating performances and imaginative programming. A Gold Medal winner of the San Antonio International Piano Competition, Mr. Yang has also performed at Lincoln Center, the Kennedy Center, and across Europe, Australia, and Asia. A dynamic chamber musician with a diverse repertoire, Mr. Yang has collaborated with some of today's most distinguished artists including the Pacifica, Cassatt, and Tokyo String Quartets. Mr. Yang has curated inventive interdisciplinary projects, such as collaborations with actress Miriam Margolyes as part of the Dickens' Women world tour; lecture-recitals on the confluence of Czech music and literature: and multimedia performances of Granados' Goyescas with projections of Goya's etchings. Mr. Yang frequently presents master classes and performances in Hong Kong, Taiwan, China, Korea, and at Princeton University, Ithaca College, and the Hartt School. Wei-Yi regularly appears at festivals across the United States and abroad, including Germany, Serbia, Montenegro, Mexico, and Scotland.

#### Phillip Ying, viola

Education: Harvard University; New England Conservatory; Eastman School of Music

Featured Appearances: Carnegie Hall, Avery Fisher Hall, Alice Tully Hall, Monty Hall. Toured with Music from Marlboro Man. Elected to the International Viola Hall of Fame. Toured with the Grateful Dead.

Phillip Ying is a recognized and distinguished voice in chamber music performance, audience building initiatives, and music leadership. As the founding violist of the Ying Quartet, he has performed across the United States, Europe and Asia. He is a recipient of the Naumburg Award for Chamber Music, has won a Grammy for a collaborative recording with the Turtle Island String Quartet, and has been nominated three additional times, most recently for a collaborative album with pianist, Billy Childs. During the summers, he has performed at the Colorado College, Bowdoin, Aspen, Marlboro, Tanglewood, Caramoor, Norfolk and Skaneateles Music Festivals. Mr. Ying is an Associate Professor Chamber Music and Viola at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester. New York, and is currently Chair of the Chamber Music Department. Additionally, he served a six-vear term as President of Chamber Music America, a national service organization for chamber music ensembles, presenters and artist managers. He has recorded the complete works for viola and jazz ensemble of Antonio Vicente Ruzgalfó for Ratsass Records.

#### Eric Zivian, piano

**Education:** Curtis Institute of Music; Juilliard School of Music; Yale School of Music

**Featured Appearances:** Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra, Santa Rosa Symphony

Eric Zivian is both a seasoned composer and a performer, having studied composition with Ned Rorem and Oliver Knussen, and piano with Gary Graffman and Peter Serkin. Eric's compositions have been performed widely in the U. S. and Japan. As a pianist, Eric is a frequent guest artist on the San Francisco Conservatory's faculty chamber music series and a member of the Left Coast Chamber Ensemble. Eric and his partner, cellist Tanya Tomkins, comprise the Zivian-Tomkins Duo, an ensemble specializing in music performed on period instruments. Eric is co-artistic director for the new Valley of the Moon Festival in Sonoma.

#### Carmit Zori, violin

Education: The Curtis Institute of Music

Featured Appearances: The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center; Festival Casals; Bridgehampton Festival; Bard Festival; Chamber Music Northwest; Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival; Seattle Chamber Music Festival; Cape Cod Chamber Music Festival; Bach Dancing and Dynamite Festival; Marlboro Music Festival

Violinist Carmit Zori came to the United States from her native Israel at the age of fifteen to study at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia. Ms. Zori is the recipient of a Levintritt Foundation Award, a Pro Musicis International Award, and the top prize in the Walter W. Naumburg International Violin Competition. Carmit Zori has appeared as a soloist with the New York Philharmonic, the Rochester Philharmonic, and the Philadelphia Orchestra, among many others, and has given solo recitals at Lincoln Center, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, the Isabella Stewart Gardener Museum in Boston. the Phillips Collection in Washington D.C., the Tel Aviv Museum and the Jerusalem Center for the Performing Arts. Ms. Zori is professor of violin at Rutgers University and at SUNY Purchase, where she also serves on the chamber music faculty.

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