



saison 2018/19 season

Tétreault-Scarfone . Cowan-Cicchillitti Rolston String Quartet PEP . Les Songes





Tétreault-Scarfone

Stéphane Tétreault, cello Marie-Ève Scarfone, piano

September 14-30, 2018

Stéphane Tétreault, cello, and Marie-Ève Scarfone, piano, make music beyond their years. Hailing from Montreal, they recently released their album Haydn, Schubert and Brahms garnering Gramophone Magazine's 'Critic's Choice 2016'. With an immense list of accolades, Stéphane has a reputation for "pure, lyrical, unadulterated playing of the highest order..., and is matched impeccably by his duo partner, Marie-Ève Scarfone" (Gramophone, 2016). Marie-Ève has performed throughout North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East, and is known for her work with Opéra de Montréal and Opéra de Québec. Together, Stéphane and Marie-Ève "form an impressive duo, pianist-virtuoso and inspired cellist who display a perfect fit, ease of execution and

total complicity on stage" (Jacques Hétu). They will be continuing their high-calibre performance streak with a program of Beethoven, Schumann, Dompierre and more.

Why we love them - Musical chemistry, lyrical & charming

Technical Needs

- grand piano
- 2 adjustable piano benches
- 1 music stand
- 1 armless chair
- 1 vocal mic with stand

Les Songes

Samantha Louis-Jean, soprano Vincent Lauzer, recorder Camille Paquette-Roy, baroque cello Mélisande McNabney, harpsichord October 12-28, 2018

\$2,500



Montréal-based ensemble Les Songes shares its love of baroque music through virtuosic performances. The members have accumulated extensive performing experience with groups including Flûte Alors!, Les Violons de Roy, Ensemble Caprice, and Jean Leloup. Established individual musicians, they have collectively toured throughout North America and Europe, and have received awards including the Prix d'Europe Competition and the Fernard Lindsay Career Award. Regarded as leaders in their field, they have been recorded and broadcast by CBC's Ici Musique and are known as a talented, versatile baroque ensemble giving skillful, energetic and enthralling performances. Featuring a program rich with works by Handel

and Bach, there has never been a better time to go 'Baroque'!

Technical Needs

- adjustable piano bench
- 3 music stands
- 1 armless chair
- 2 vocal mics with stands - 1 coffee table, or similar

Why we love them -Exciting, youthful & enticing

Cowan-Cicchillitti

Steve Cowan, guitar Adam Cicchillitti, guitar

November 9-25, 2018

\$1,700

Why we love them - Virtuosic, fun & expressive



Steve Cowan and Adam Cicchillitti are defining the new generation of Canadian classical guitarists. From St. John's, NL, Steve Cowan has won numerous awards and prizes, including the Indiana International Guitar Competition and Guitare Montréal, to name only a couple. His debut album, Pour guitare, features a collection of new music and Canadian composers, and was praised for its "fantastic playing, great repertoire, and a wealth of musical ideas to back it up" (This is Classical Guitar, 2016). Montréal's Adam Cicchillitti has garnered attention from both his competition successes and for his arrangements and compositions. Recently, he toured with singer Philippe Courchesne-Leboeuf with Jeunesses Musicales with whom he performed many of his own arrangements. Joining forces with Steve Cowan, this duo promises to bring the excitment of French, Spanish and Canadian guitar Technical Needs repertoire including original arrangements and fan favourites.

- two music stands

- two armless chairs
- 1 vocal mic with stand



Rolston String Quartet

Luri Lee, violin Jeffrey Dyrda, violin Hezekiah Leung, viola Ionathan Lo, cello

February 8-24, 2019

\$2,600

First Prize winner of the 12th Banff International String Quartet Competition, the Rolston String Quartet is storming onto the international classical music scene. As the Calgary Herald notes, the ensemble "chimed the most resonantly with the ideals of perfect quartet playing." Having formed in 2013, they were the only ensemble to be featured on CBC's 2016 list of hot Canadian classical musicians under 30. The quartet also won First Prize at the 31st Chamber Music Yellow Springs Competition, Third Prize at the inaugural M-Prize Competition, and the Durosoir Prize at the 2016 Bordeaux International String Quartet Competition. Their Performances have taken

them throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe and they currently serve as Graduate Quartet-in-Residence at Rice University's Shepherd School of Music.

Technical Needs

- 1 adjustable piano bench
- 3 armless chairs
- 4 music stands
- 1 vocal mic with stand

PEP

Piano & Erhu Project Nicole Ge Li, erhu Corey Hamm, piano

March 15-31, 2019 \$1,700



Piano and Erhu duo, Nicole Ge Li, erhu, and Corey Hamm, piano, explore an exciting combination of Eastern and Western music through their expressive playing and virtuosic performances. Since 2013, Li and Hamm have premiered commissioned works by more than fifty composers. They have released two albums to critical claim which were praised as "a very worthwhile musical adventure featuring two exceptional musicians in an eclectic series of works." (Fanfare Magazine) Li is the Concert Master of the BC Chinese Orchestra and attended the prestigious Shanghai Conservatory of Music. She also organized and performed in the first full-scale erhu performance in Canada. Corey is an Associate Professor of Piano at the Technical Needs University of British Columbia, part of the piano faculty - grand piano & adjustable bench for SICPP at the New England Conservatory, and is

musician.

Why we love them - Mesmorizing & beautiful

renowned for his work as a soloist and chamber

- 2 music stands
- 2 armless chairs
- 1 vocal mic with stand

Light amplification is used for Erhu. Equipment supplied by artist. Access to power outlet required.

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