THE CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF LINCOLN CENTER MARCH 2019 CONCERTS

WINTER FESTIVAL: RUSSIAN PANORAMA
FOUR CONCERTS DEVOTED TO THE MUSIC OF RUSSIA

Hungarian Fire Showcases the Inspiration of Folk Tradition on Many Composers

Seven Last Words Features Bass-Baritone Ryan Speedo Green
in Sacred Music by Haydn and Bach

New Music in the Rose to offer works by du Bois, Wuorinen, Pintscher, and Ludwig

New York, New York, February 19, 2019 – The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center’s season-long focus on the music of Russia comes to a highpoint in March with its annual Winter Festival, Russian Panorama, which will present four programs filled with Russian works composed between 1832 and 1979 (Mar. 10, 15, 19 & 24). The Festival’s broad survey of repertoire will range from the age of the tsars to beyond the Soviet era, comprising works by Balakirev, Borodin, Glinka, Glazunov, Myaskovsky, Prokofiev, Rachmaninov, Rimsky-Korsakov, Rubinstein, Schnittke, Shostakovitch, Stravinsky, Taneyev, and Tchaikovsky. Among the many superlative artists taking part in these concerts are acclaimed pianists Anne-Marie McDermott and Wu Han, violinists Chad Hoopes and Arnaud Sussmann, violist Matthew Lipman, and the legendary Borodin String Quartet, returning to CMS with its interpretation of quartets by several Russian composers, including its namesake, Borodin. Returning lecturer Michael Parloff will inaugurate the Winter Festival’s Russian journey with an overview of the country’s rich musical tapestry on March 5.

March concerts also feature Hungarian Fire, a program examining how Hungary’s musical roots in folk tradition had a widespread influence on composers of other lands, demonstrated in works by Brahms, Kodály, Bartók, Ligeti, and Dohnányi. The artists are pianist Alessio Bax, violinists Ida Kavafian and Alexi Kenney, violist Yura Lee, cellist Dmitri Atapine, and clarinetist Sebastian Manz (March 3).

At the end of the month, Haydn’s moving work Seven Last Words—a commission the composer received to mark Good Friday—along with Bach’s cantata Ich habe genug, will be performed by bass-baritone Ryan Speedo Green. Green recently appeared on CBS 60 Minutes to tell the story of his rise from juvenile delinquent to the stage of the Metropolitan Opera. The concert also features harpsichordist Paolo Bordignon, the Orion String Quartet, bassist Timothy Cobb, and oboist Stephen Taylor (Mar. 31). Michael Parloff will explore the history of the work and the ways that Haydn’s “wordless oratorio” illuminates the meaning of Christ’s final words in a pre-concert lecture. The New Music in the Rose series will continue with an evening of innovative works by du Bois, Wuorinen, Pintscher, and Ludwig with pianist Michael Brown, violinist Bella Hristova, violist Richard O’Neill, and cellist Mihai Marica (Mar. 21).
ALICE TULLY HALL MARCH CONCERTS

Sun, Mar 3 at 5 pm
Hungarian Fire
Brahms: Selected Hungarian Dances for Violin and Piano (arr. Joseph Joachim) (1868, 1880)
Kodály: Serenade for Two Violins and Viola, Op. 12 (1919-20)
Bartók: Contrasts for Violin, Clarinet, and Piano (1938)
Ligeti: Selected Piano Etudes
Alessio Bax, piano; Ida Kavafian, Alexi Kenney*, violin; Yura Lee, viola; Dmitri Atapine, cello; Sebastian Manz*, clarinet

Sun, Mar 10 at 5 pm
Russian Panorama: Winter Festival I
Glinka: Trio pathétique in D minor for Clarinet, Bassoon, and Piano (1832)
Glazunov: Idyll in D major for Horn and Strings (1884)
Balakirev: Octet for Flute, Oboe, Horn, Violin, Viola, Cello, Bass, and Piano, Op. 3 (1855-56)
Schnittke: Homage to Igor Stravinsky, Sergei Prokofiev, and Dmitri Shostakovich for Piano, Six Hands (1979)
Rachmaninov: Suite No. 2 in C minor for Two Pianos, Op. 17 (1900-01)
Michael Brown, Anne-Marie McDermott, Wu Qian, piano; Francisco Fullana*, Sean Lee, violin; Mark Holloway, violin; Inbal Segev, cello; Xavier Foley*, double bass; Ransom Wilson, flute; James Austin Smith, oboe; David Shifrin, bassoon; David Jolley, horn

Fri, Mar 15 at 7:30 pm
Russian Panorama: Winter Festival II
Rachmaninov: Trio élégiaque in G minor for Piano, Violin, and Cello (1892)
Prokofiev: Sonata in C major for Two Violins, Op. 56 (1932)
Wu Han, piano; Alexander Sitkovetsky, Arnaud Sussmann, violin; Matthew Lipman, viola; Nicholas Canellakis, cello

Tue, Mar 19 at 7:30 pm
Russian Panorama: Winter Festival III
Rimsky-Korsakov: Selected Songs
Stravinsky: Five Easy Pieces for Piano, Four Hands (1917)
Tchaikovsky: Trio in A minor for Piano, Violin, and Cello, Op. 50 (1881-82)
Mané Galoyan, soprano; Sara Couden, alto; Arseny Yakovlev, tenor; Gilbert Kalish, Gilles Vonsattel, piano; Chad Hoopes, violin; Clive Greensmith, cello
Sun, Mar 24 at 5 pm
*Russian Panorama: Winter Festival IV*
Borodin: Quartet No. 2 in D major for Strings (1881)

Borodin Quartet (Ruben Aharonian, Sergei Lomovsky, violin; Igor Naidin, viola; Vladimir Balshin, cello)

Sun, Mar 31 at 5 pm
Pre-concert lecture by Michael Parloff at 3:30 pm in the Rose Studio
*Seven Last Words*
Bach: Cantata *Ich habe genug*, BWV 82 (1727)
Haydn: *The Seven Last Words of Our Savior on the Cross* for String Quartet, Op. 51 (1786)

Ryan Speedo Green, bass-baritone; Paolo Bordignon, harpsichord; Orion String Quartet (Daniel Phillips, Todd Phillips, violin; Steven Tenenbom, viola; Timothy Eddy, cello); Timothy Cobb, double bass; Stephen Taylor, oboe

THE ROSE STUDIO

Tues, Mar 5 at 6:30 pm
*Lecture with Michael Parloff: From Glinka to Shostakovich*
Returning lecturer Michael Parloff inaugurates the Winter Festival’s Russian journey with insights into the country’s rich musical tapestry, from the time of Mikhail Glinka to that of Dmitri Shostakovich.

Thu, Mar 21 at 6:30 pm & 9 pm
*New Music*
Matthias Pintscher: *Janusgesicht* for Viola and Cello (2001)

Michael Brown, piano; Bella Hristova, violin; Richard O’Neill, viola; Mihai Marica, cello

Sun, Mar 31 at 3:30 pm
*Lecture with Michael Parloff: Haydn’s Seven Last Words*
Michael Parloff will explore the history of the work and the ways that Haydn’s “wordless oratorio” illuminates the meaning of Christ’s final words.

Tickets for concerts may be purchased in person at the Alice Tully Hall box office at Broadway and West 65th St. or the CMS ticketing office at The Samuel B. and David Rose Building, 165 West 65th Street, 10th floor; by calling 212.875.5788; or online at [www.chambermusicsociety.org](http://www.chambermusicsociety.org).

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About the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center
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