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About the Festival

The Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Entering its eighth season in May 2009, the nationally renowned Festival is dedicated to bringing classical music at the highest level to the general public, schools and senior centers of Amelia Island and surrounding communities of northeastern Florida. For more information about the Festival, visit our web site at www.aicmf.com.



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BRAVO!

The Newsletter of the Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival

Valentina Lisitsa, Maria Bachmann To Perform In "Music Under the Tsars II" on May 31

Mark your calendar for a very special performance on May 31 by internationally acclaimed pianist Valentina Lisitsa and violin virtuoso Maria Bachmann. Scheduled for the Amelia Plantation Chapel at 7:30 PM, this "Music Under the Tsars II" program will feature works by Russian composers Arensky and Taneyev. Tickets for this performance are priced at \$25.

Described by critics as "positively dazzling" and "one of today's most coveted 'starlets' in the main international circuit," Ukranian-born Valentina Lisitsa began playing the piano at the age of three and performed her first solo recital at age four. She attended the Kiev Conservatory, and while there, she met Alexi

Kuznetsoff, her future husband and partner in duo-pianism. The couple made their U.S. debut in 1991 at the Mostly Mozart Festival at Lincoln Center. Ms. Lisitsa also established herself as a soloist, performing at New York's Carnegie Hall and Avery Fisher Hall, Vienna's Musikverein and Amsterdam's Concertgebouw. She continues to crisscross the globe and is at ease with a vast repertoire, ranging from Bach and Mozart to Shostakovich and Bernstein.



Valentina Lisitsa

Violinist Maria Bachmann has been the subject of critical accolades from the very beginning of her career. *The New York Times* has hailed her as "a violinist of soul and patrician refinement," and *The Boston Globe* has praised Ms. Bachmann as being "astonishing in every musical and technical regard." Among her numerous competition victories are First Prizes at the Fritz Kreisler Competition in Vienna, the Concert Artists Guild Competition in New York and the Pro Musicis Foundation Award. An active guest soloist, Ms. Bachmann has performed in Tokyo, Kyoto, London, Paris, Shanghai, Taipei, Vienna, Budapest, as well as at The Kennedy Center, New York's Town Hall and Weill Hall at Carnegie Hall. She will continue as Artistic Director of the Telluride MusicFest in Colorado for the seventh year this summer.



Viola, the Festival's musical mermaid.
A special thanks to artist Carol Winner.



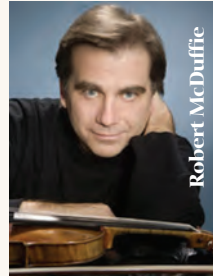
Maria Bachmann

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Festival Dates: May 21-June 14

2009 Festival Schedule

Thursday, May 21, 7:00 PM
Beer and G Strings I,
 with Bobby McDuffie
 Works by
 Glass, Kreisler,
 Brahms,
 Moszkowski,
 Ravel, Saint-
 Saens, and
 Ginestera



Robert McDuffie, violin
 Amy Schwartz Moretti, violin
 Beth Newdome, violin
 Christopher Rex, cello
 Elizabeth Pridgen, piano
 Trio RPM
 Rebecca Anderson, violin
 William Frampton, violin
 Palace Saloon
 Tickets \$40

Friday, May 22, 11:00 AM
McDuffie Center Showcase
 McDuffie Center Students
 Christopher Rex, cello
 Amy Schwartz Moretti, violin
 Historic Nassau County Courthouse
 Free event, no ticket required



Saturday, May
 23, 7:30 PM
**The Juilliard
 String Quartet**
 "Haydn,
 Mendelssohn,
 Beethoven"

String Quartet.....Haydn
 String QuartetMendelssohn
 String Quartet Op. 127...Beethoven
 Joel Smirnoff, violin
 Ronald Copes, violin
 Joel Crosnick, cello
 Samuel Rhodes, viola
 Amelia Plantation Chapel
 Tickets \$25
 Reception to follow

Sunday, May 24, 2:30 PM
 Free Concert in Central Park
"String Fling"
 Music of Haydn, Massenet,
 Shostakovitch, Brahms, Duke
 Ellington, Johann Strauss, and John
 Phillip Sousa

Christopher Rex, cello
 Amy Schwartz Moretti, violin
 Beth Newdome, violin
 Rebecca Anderson, violin
 William Frampton, viola
 Free event, no ticket required

Sunday, May 31, 7:30 PM
"Music Under the Tsars II"
 Piano Trio in D Minor.... Arensky
 Piano Quintet..... Taneyev
 Valentina Lisitsa, piano
 Maria Bachmann, violin
 Beth Newdome, violin
 Reid Harris, viola
 Christopher Rex, cello
 Amelia Plantation Chapel
 Tickets \$25

Monday, June 1, 8:00 PM
"Candlelight Concert"
 Spirituals and the music of Berlioz,
 Donizetti, Mark O'Connor, and Jay
 Unger



Alison
 Buchanan,
 soprano
 Elisabeth Remy,
 harp
 Christina Smith,
 flute
 Fort Clinch State
 Park Barracks
 Tickets \$25

Thursday, June 4, 7:00 PM
Beer and G-Strings II
 Music of Mendelssohn, Kodaly,
 Dvorak, Albiniz, Schonfeld, Gliere,
 and Kreisler/Wieniawski
 Anne-Marie McDermott, piano



Anne Akiko Meyers, violin
 Andres Diaz, cello
 Debra Dunham, bass
 James Dunham, viola
 Beth Newdome, violin
 Trio RPM
 Palace Saloon
 Tickets \$40

Friday, June 5, 7:30 PM
**"Seven Last Words of Christ, Op.
 51," Franz Joseph Haydn**
 Arnold Steinhart, violin
 Beth Newdome, violin
 James Dunham, viola
 Christopher Rex, cello
 St. Peter's Episcopal Church
 Tickets \$25, Reception to follow

Saturday, June 6, 7:30 PM
"Mendelssohn Celebration"
 Cello Sonata in D
 Major.....Mendelssohn
 Piano Trio in C Minor.....
 Mendelssohn
 Concerto for Violin, Piano and
 Strings in D Minor...Mendelssohn



Anne-Marie
 McDermott,
 piano
 Anne Akiko
 Meyers, violin
 Andres Diaz, cello
 Amy Schwartz
 Moretti, violin
 Christopher Rex,
 cello
 Elizabeth
 Pridgen, piano

James Dunham, viola
 Debra Dunham, bass
 Beth Newdome, violin
 Domenic Salerni, violin
 Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
 Tickets \$25

Sunday, June 7, 2:00 PM
Brahms Program
 Resident Fellowship Artists with
 Andres Diaz, cello
 Sonata in E Minor for Cello and
 Piano.....Brahms
 Piano Quartet in G Minor...Brahms
 Sextet No. 1 in B Flat
 Major.....Brahms
 Domenic Salerni, violin
 Rebecca Anderson, violin
 William Frampton, viola
 Yu Wen Wang, cello
 Kwan Yi, piano

Andres Diaz, cello
 James Dunham, viola
 Christopher Rex, cello
 Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
 Tickets: \$10

Tuesday, June 9, 6:30 PM
Igor Stravinsky's "A Soldier's Tale"
 plus, "Fanfare" by Prior and "The
 Comedians" by Kabalevski
 Jennifer Koh, violin
 Laura Ardan, flute
 Debra Dunham, bass
 Carl Nitchie, bassoon
 Christopher Rex, cello
 Tom Sherwood, percussion
 Mike Tiscione, trumpet
 Colin Williams, trombone
 Mark Mobley, narrator
 Gateway Performance Productions
 Fort Clinch State Park
 Tickets \$25
 (rain date June 10, 6:30 PM)

Wednesday, June 10, 11:00 AM
**Free Family Concert: "Drums, Drama,
 Dance"**
 The Comedians.....Kabelevsky
 Djembach for Drums and Violin....
 Christian Woehr
 Excerpts from A Soldier's Tale.....
 Stravinsky



Jennifer Koh, violin
 Laura Ardan, flute
 Debra Dunham, bass
 Amy Schwartz Moretti, violin
 Steve Moretti, percussion
 Carl Nitchie, bassoon
 Christopher Rex, cello
 Tom Sherwood, percussion
 Mike Tiscione, trumpet
 Colin Williams, trombone
 Mark Mobley, narrator
 Gateway Performance Productions
 Peck Gymnasium
 Free event, no ticket required

Thursday, June 11, 1:00 PM
Resident Fellowship Artists
 Domenic Salerni, violin
 Rebecca Anderson, violin
 William Frampton, viola

Yu Wen Wang, cello
 Kwan Yi, piano
Savannah Grand of Amelia Island
 1900 Amelia Trace Court,
 Fernandina Beach
 Free event, no ticket required

Thursday, June 11, 7:00 PM
Beer and G Strings III
 Music of Liszt, Goligov, Woehr,
 Novacek, Tchaikowsky



Jennifer Koh, violin
 Roberto Diaz, viola
 Elissa Diaz, violin
 Tom Sherwood, percussion
 Christopher Rex, cello
 Amy Schwartz Moretti, violin
 Stephen Moretti, percussion
 Elizabeth Pridgen, piano
 Ritz Chamber Players
 Palace Saloon
 Tickets: \$40

Friday, June 12, 7:30 PM
Ritz Chamber Players
"From Mozart to Infinity"
 Mozart "Kegelstatt" Trio (K. 498) for
 Clarinet, Viola and Piano in E-flat
 Symphony No. 7, "Infinite".....
 Lee Johnson
 Leon Bates, piano
 Kelly Hall-Tompkins, violin
 Amadi Azikiwe, viola
 Terrance Patterson, clarinet
 Alison Buchanan, soprano

Christopher Rex, cello
 Beth Newdome, violin
 Macedonia AME Church
 Tickets \$25

Saturday, June 13, 2:00 PM
**Haydn and Mendelssohn Anniversary
 Program**
 Sonata in D Major for Cello and
 Piano.....Mendelssohn
 String Quartet in G Minor,
 Op. 74 no. 3, "The Rider".....Haydn
 String Octet.....Mendelssohn

Resident Fellowship Artists:
 Domenic Salerni, violin
 Rebecca Anderson, violin
 William Frampton, viola
 Yu Wen Wang, cello
 Kwan Yi, piano

Roberto Diaz, viola
 Christopher Rex, cello
 Amy Schwartz Moretti, violin
 Beth Newdome, violin
 Macedonia AME Church
 Tickets: \$10

Sunday, June 14, 5:30 PM
The Eroica Trio
"Night at the Opera - No Singers!"
 Overture to Magic Flute for
 2 Pianos.....Mozart
 Duet from Lakme, arranged for
 2 cellos.....Delibes
 Carmen Fantasy.....Sarasate
 Fantasy on Don Juan for
 2 Pianos.....Liszt
 Porgy and Bess.....Gershwin
 West Side Story.....Bernstein



Ericka Nickrenz, piano
 Susie Park, violin
 Sara Sant'Ambrogio, cello
 William Ransom, piano
 Christopher Rex, cello
 Ritz Carlton Amelia Island
 Tickets: Concert \$50/Dinner \$100

Tuesday, October 27, 7:30 PM
The Guarneri String Quartet
"The Final Concert"
 Cello Quintet in C Major.....Schubert
 String Quartet Op. 132.....Beethoven
 Arnold Steinhardt, violin
 John Dalley, violin
 Michael Tree, viola
 Peter Wiley, cello
 Amelia Plantation Chapel
 Tickets \$60