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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our thanks to our Program Committee: Emil Torick, Betty Oberacker, and Robert Else, for all the outstanding concerts they brought us this year. I received many enthusiastic comments from visitors and members alike at the end of each concert. Help us spread the news of our wonderful programs by inviting people you meet to come to our concerts, and also by encouraging them to join our membership. It is through individual ambassadorship that we can best make our club grow; your enthusiasm and personal relationships are the best public relations tools we have. Remember, new members can get all the information they need, and an application, from our website, www.sbmusicclub.org.

--- Nathan Rundlett, SBMC President

CALLUS AND KOENIG: "LAND OF HOPE AND GLORY"

Internationally renowned violist Helen Callus and pianist Robert Koenig will present a concert entitled, "Land of Hope and Glory" at Hahn Hall of the Music Academy on Tuesday, January 20, 2009, at 7:30 p.m. The program will feature beautiful, romantic and dramatic music by prominent composers from the British musical renaissance of the early 20th century. Callus has been hailed by the American Record Guide: "Callus again shows that she is one of the world's greatest violists. Her playing is so deeply felt the music's message goes straight to the heart." The Washington Post declared, "Koenig, a remarkable pianist, made this recital all the more exciting with his insight and vigor." This is a concert not to be missed! Tickets are \$15 General/\$7 Students.

Wednesday January 14 at 11:00 AM

Faulkner Gallery

**Santa Barbara Public Library Main Branch
40 E. Anapamu @ Santa Barbara Street
FREE ADMISSION**

MUSIC FROM WESTMONT

Five Hebrew Love Songs Eric Whitacre

WESTMONT CHAMBER SINGERS

Steve Hodson, director
Valerie Malvinni, violin
Paula Hatley, piano

Quartet No. 1 in E minor ("From My Life") Smetana
Allegro vivo appassionato

Quartet in F major Ravel
Allegro moderato-trés doux

SILOAM STRING QUARTET

Arias (*The Marriage of Figaro*, *The Magic Flute*) Mozart
Aria from *Carmen* Bizet
Opening Scene from *The Telephone* Menotti

WESTMONT OPERA WORKSHOP

Celeste Tavera, director
Paula Hatley, piano

Saturday January 24th at 3:00 PM

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Sonata in F minor, Op. 57 ("Appassionata") Beethoven
Egle Januleviciute, piano

Lebenslust Schubert
Three Quartets, Op. 64 Brahms

Marilyn Gilbert, soprano
Vivian Rangel, mezzo-soprano
Grey Brothers, tenor
Nathan Rundlett, baritone
Emma Lou Diemer, piano

Sonata No. 2, Op. 82 (Sonata Española) Turina

DUO APPASSIONATO
Randy Garacci, violin
Marian Gilbert, piano

CONCERT BY BRIGHT LIGHT CHAMBER PLAYERS

The Bright Light Chamber Players, featuring SB Music Club member Rosa LoGiudice, piano, with Los Angeles-based musicians Jacqueline Suzuki, violin, and Whitney Raleigh, cello, will present a concert 3:00 PM Sunday February 22, at United Methodist Church, 305 E. Anapamu St., Santa Barbara. The program honors the bicentenary of Haydn's death and Mendelssohn's birth, and features piano trios and other works by these composers. The concert is a fund-raiser for a String Quartet Workshop led by the Bright Light Chamber Players Quartet June 26-28 at La Casa de Maria Retreat Center in Montecito. A donation of \$15-\$20 is requested at the door to support the workshop.

GALA MENDELSSOHN CELEBRATION CONCERT

Mark your calendars! On Saturday, February 21 at 3 p.m. in Faulkner Gallery, the SB Music Club will present a special program celebrating the 200th anniversary of the birth of Felix Mendelssohn, one of the most renowned composers of the Romantic period. The concert will feature some of Mendelssohn's most beloved works, including selections from "A Midsummer Night's Dream (in the composer's own arrangement for piano four-hands) and the Trio in D minor, Op. 49, for Violin, Cello and Piano, as well as an array of his exquisite songs, including the famous "On Wings of Song." Performers will include Philip Ficsor, violin, Geoffrey Rutkowski, cello, Andre Shillo, baritone, Steven Schneider, piano, and Betty Oberacker, piano.



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Gail Embree

Our sympathies go out to member Gail Embree, who lost her home and beloved Steinway in the Tea Fire. Gail coordinates our Saturday Musicales at Glen Hall, and is a past SBMC Board Member.

Saturday Musicales

The next Saturday Musicale will be held January 10th at 2:00 pm at the library in Wood Glen Hall, 3010 Foothill Road, wherein sits a beautiful Steinway Concert Grand piano. Musicales are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month. For more information, contact Gail Embree at 966-9231.

Scholarship Concerts

Mark your calendars for our two Scholarship Winners Concerts in 2009, which will be Saturday May 30th and Saturday, June 6th. Both concerts are at 3:00 PM at the Faulkner Gallery.

Newsletter Volunteers Needed

We need one or two volunteers to assist with our monthly newsletter mailing. It would only take about 3 hours one afternoon near the end of each month, and would be a tremendous help to us. Your job would be to (1) pick up the printed newsletter from Kinkos downtown, (2) staple it using our electric stapler (3) sort into 3 piles by zip code, and (4) mail it at the Goleta Bulk Mail Facility on Storke Road (across from Home Depot). For further information, call Nathan Rundlett at 969-7183 or Robert Else at 886-2129.

50% Off Camerata Pacifica

SBMC members pay only \$10 (regular \$20) for the Camerata Pacifica Lunchtime Concert Series, thanks to this special offer. Lunchtime Concerts are one Friday per month, at 1 pm, at the newly renovated Hahn Hall at the Music Academy of the West. Tickets are available only on a walk-up basis; no advance sale. Just let us know you are a SBMC member. This season, seating for the Lunchtime Series is general admission, not assigned. Upcoming concerts are 1/9, 2/6, 3/13, 4/17, and 5/15. For more information, call Camerata Pacifica at 805-884-8410 or visit us at www.cameratapacifica.org.

A Note To Our Performers

If you play at one of the retirement homes, as many of you do in preparation for appearances at the Faulkner, please send a short announcement to our newsletter editor at robert.else@gmail.com, with **SBMC Newsletter Announcement** in the subject. We want to increase interest in this aspect of our club activities.