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***iPalpiti* Festival's Pulse of Music Beats Strong in its 3rd Decade**

LOS ANGELES, CA (March 26, 2018) – The “world-class” *iPalpiti* Festival of International Laureates opens its 21st season **July 7** at Walt Disney Concert Hall with a gala concert celebrating Maestro Eduard Schmieder’s 70th birthday. The festival is celebrated as “**the** highlight of the summer [in Los Angeles]”, and this year will include a post-concert dinner reception at the Founders Hall. The program will feature MAJESTIC CLASSICS, including Bach’s *Chaconne*, Anton Webern’s *Langsamer Satz*, Mussorgsky’s *Pictures at an Exhibition*, and Tchaikovsky’s *Rococo Variations* with alumnus **soloist Eldar Saporayev** from Kazakhstan/Switzerland.

Featuring twenty-five international laureates from 22 countries including Ecuador, Turkey, Italy, Japan, Azerbaijan, Ireland and more, the acclaimed ensemble is known as the “United Nations of Classical Music.” Starting with an artistic residence at Soka Performing Arts Center on June 28, the festival will present 14 concerts in prestigious venues throughout the Greater Los Angeles and San Diego Counties, concluding with a July 18 concert at Greystone Mansion in Beverly Hills. Between the Disney Hall and Greystone Mansion concerts, *iPalpiti* laureate soloists will be featured in solo and chamber ensembles, performing works by Janacek, Schubert, Berio, Brahms, Reger, Ripper, Schumann and Auerbach.

Since its inception as a non-profit in Los Angeles in 1997 by Russian émigré musicians Eduard and Laura Schmieder, with the blessing and support of the late, great violinist Lord Yehudi Menuhin, *iPalpiti* has been supporting, promoting and developing the careers of exceptional young professional classical musicians.

“Classical music is the spiritual factor which brings people together and unites them irrespective of religion and culture, appealing to sublime senses,” stated Maestro Schmieder. In a spirit of giving to the community, *iPalpiti* ensures that a good proportion of its Festival performances are free to the public, and for paid performances gives a significant number of tickets (over 600) to under-served community organizations, shelters, youth music programs, public schools, and non-profit agencies serving economically disadvantaged and special needs groups. Local outreach programs include Student Coalition for the Arts and Mentor Program, this season with 300+ local schools’ 5-12th graders.

Tickets range from \$10 - \$180. For the Disney Concert Hall performance, tickets are available through *iPalpiti* or at the Walt Disney Concert Hall Box Office. For ALL 2018 festival and gala tickets, or to donate to the organization, please call (310) 205-0511 or visit www.ipalpiti.org.

About *iPalpiti* Artists International

iPalpiti Artists International is a non-profit organization founded in 1997 by internationally renowned violinists and music educators, Eduard and Laura Schmieder. *iPalpiti*’s humanitarian mission of cultural exchange has created a truly universal network of more than 370 artists from all over the world, promoting international understanding through music.

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***iPalpiti* Festival of International Laureates 2018 (21st season)**

Eduard Schmieder, Music Director and Conductor

The acclaimed "United Nations of Music"

SCHEDULE

JUNE 27 – JULY 4

iPalpiti in-residence at Soka Performing Arts Center, Aliso Viejo

OPEN HOUSE performance: July 3, 4:00PM

THURSDAY, July 5

7:30PM | \$30

Preview: *iPalpiti* Orchestra / **Eduard Schmieder**

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 890 Balour Drive, Encinitas | (760) 633-2746

Selections from Festival programs as announced from the podium

SATURDAY, July 7

7:00PM | \$10 - \$180

OPENING NIGHT GALA

iPalpiti Orchestral Ensemble of International Laureates / **Eduard Schmieder**

Music Center's Walt Disney Concert Hall

111 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles | (800) 745-3000

MAJESTIC CLASSICS:

J.S. Bach

Chaconne for String Orchestra (arr. W. Zinn)

Anton Webern

Langsamer Satz

P.I. Tchaikovsky

Variations on a Rococo Theme, Op. 33, for cello and orchestra

Soloist: Eldar Saporayev/Kazakhstan-Switzerland

Modest Mussorgsky

Pictures At An Exhibition

Post-concert Party

\$360

\$100-180

Celebrating Maestro's 70th: BP Hall

Includes: VIP concert seating & seated dinner with Maestro and iPalpiti musicians

Includes: concert seating & cocktails with Maestro and iPalpiti musicians

SUNDAY, July 8

2:00PM | **FREE**

DONATIONS

AT THE DOOR

iPalpiti Soloists: **DUO De Ascaniis**

Rolling Hills United Methodist Church Second Sundays at Two

26438 Crenshaw Blvd., Rolling Hills Estates | (310) 377-6771

6:00PM | **FREE**

Sundays Live! Bing Theatre, LACMA

5905 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles | (323) 857-6000

Franz Schubert

Fantasie in C major, D.934 for piano and violin

Leoš Janáček

Sonata for violin and piano

Con moto. Ballada. Allegretto. Adagio

& more announced from the stage

Davide De Ascaniis, violin, & Sara De Ascaniis, piano/Italy

MONDAY, July 9

12:00PM |

BY INVITATION ONLY

iPalpiti Soloists

Rotary Club of Beverly Hills meets iPalpiti

Beverly Hills Hotel

JULY 12 – JULY 15

***iPalpiti* Soloists in Encinitas**

Concerts: Thursday, Friday, Saturday 7:30PM, Sunday 12:00PM, \$20.

Encinitas Library, 540 Cornish Drive (760) 633-2746

Violins: Davide De Ascaniis/Italy, Irakli Tsadaia/Georgia-Germany

Viola: Emma Wernig/Germany-USA Violoncello: Egor Antonenko/Russia Bass: Lauren Pierce/USA

Pianists: Sara De Ascaniis/Italy & So-Mang Jeagal/Korea

Daily **Virtuosi** concerts will showcase seven *iPalpiti* soloists in unique solo and chamber ensembles programs of rarely performed and popular works from Classic, Romantic, and Modern repertoire.

THURSDAY, July 12**VIRTUOSI I: ONE TWO**

- Fritz Kreisler** Praeludium and Allegro
Manuel de Falla Danse Espagnole
Niccolo Paganini Caprice N 13, Op. 1
(arr. Albert Markov)
- Luciano Berio** TANDEMONOS violin duo - Duos for two violins "Bruno"
Davide De Ascaniis/Irakli Tsadaia, violins
- J.S. Bach** Chorale Prelude 'Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ' BWV 639 (arr. Busoni)
 Prelude in b minor (arr. Siloti)
Sara De Ascaniis, piano
- Max Reger** Suite N 1 in G minor, Op. 131d for viola solo
Molto sostenuto. Vivace. Andante. Molto vivace
Emma Wernig, viola
- Ernest Chausson** Poème, Op. 25
Irakli Tsadaia, violin/ Sara De Ascaniis, piano
- Robert Schumann** Adagio and Allegro, Op. 70
Egor Antonenko, cello/ So-Mang Jeagal, piano
- Giovanni Bottesini** Gran Duo for double bass and violin
Davide De Ascaniis, violin /Lauren Pierce, bass/ So-Mang Jeagal, piano

FRIDAY, July 13**VIRTUOSI II: DUO DE ASCANIIS**

- Franz Schubert** Fantasie in C major, D.934 for piano and violin
Leoš Janáček Sonata for violin and piano
Con moto. Ballada. Allegretto. Adagio
& more announced from stage
Davide De Ascaniis, violin, & Sara De Ascaniis, piano/Italy

SATURDAY, July 14**VIRTUOSI III: THREE FOUR**

- Lera Auerbach** Piano trio No.2 Tryptych –This Mirror with Three Faces (2012)*
Prelude, Moderato libero, Allegro appassionato, Tempo di valse.
Tell'em What You See. Allegro assai. Postlude. Adagio nostalgico.
Sara De Ascaniis, piano/Davide De Ascaniis, violin/Egor Antonenko, cello
- Johannes Brahms** Piano Quartet No.3 in C minor, Op.60
Allegro non troppo. Scherzo: Allegro. Andante. Finale: Allegro comodo
So-Mang Jeagal, piano
Irakli Tsadaia, violin/Emma Wernig, viola/Egor Antonenko, cello

SUNDAY, July 15**VIRTUOSI IV: BIG BANG****12:00PM**

- Antonín Dvořák** String Quintet No. 2 in G major, Op. 77 (B. 49)
 I. *Allegro con fuoco*. II. *Scherzo. Allegro vivace*
 III. *Poco andante* IV. *Finale. Allegro assai*
Irakli Tsadaia & Davide De Ascaniis, violins
Emma Wernig, viola/ Egor Antonenko, cello/ Lauren Pierce, bass
- Joao Guilherme Ripper** Piano Quintet "From My Window No. 3" **
Carnival Vertigo. Antique. Drums
So-Mang Jeagal, piano
Davide De Ascaniis, violin/Emma Wernig, viola/ Egor Antonenko, cello/ Lauren Pierce, bass

6:00PM | FREE

iPalpiti Soloists at Sundays Live!

Bing Theatre, LACMA 5905 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles | (323) 857-6000 [SAME PROGRAM]

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TUESDAY, July 17

12:00PM | FREE

iPalpiti Soloists

Powell Library Rotunda, UCLA Election Walk, Los Angeles, CA 90095

Fritz Kreisler

Praeludium and Allegro

Manuel De Falla

Danse Espagnole

Luciano Berio

TANDEMOS violin duo - Duos for two violins "Bruno"

Davide De Ascaniis/Irakli Tsadaia, violins

Zoltan Kodály

Serenade for two violins & viola, Op 12

Allegro ma non troppo. Vivo

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WEDNESDAY, July 18

7:30PM | \$50

iPalpiti Soloists

Greystone Mansion 905 Loma Vista Dr, Beverly Hills, CA 90020

Favorite Selections from Festival programs will be announced from stage

FESTIVAL FINALE RECEPTION

* West Coast Premiere

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Note: Artists & Programs are subject to change without notice