

"If I should ever die, God forbid, let this be my epitaph:

THE ONLY PROOF HE NEEDED FOR THE EXISTENCE OF GOD WAS MUSIC"

Kurt Vonnegut, *Man Without A Country*



Welcome to our Second Season! It is with God's grace and a feeling of excited celebration that we offer this amazing slate of talent for your listening pleasure. We simply can't wait for the concerts to begin.

When we recall the concerts of our inaugural season, it is hard to pick a favorite. Just as soon as we had published our short three winter and spring concerts, an opportunity fell into our laps for a very special piano concert featuring Ying Duan from Shanghai. As our first concert approached, our key soprano fell ill but we were graced with the marvelous baritone, Nmon Ford. Timothy Howard's organ concert was simply inspiring, and finally we were lifted to new heights by Amanda McBroom, cabaret singer extraordinaire. Whew!

We offer these concerts to help maintain the tradition of music here at Northridge United Methodist Church. Through our youngest Cherubs, our Celebration Handbells, our Solid Rock Band and our Chancel Choir, we strive to bring excellence to our praise of God and our celebration of life.

We warmly welcome you to enjoy the beauty of our music in concert and in worship.

To God Be the Glory,

Steve Petty, *Pastor*

Northridge United Methodist Church



Northridge United Methodist Church
9650 Reseda Blvd.
Northridge, CA 91324



Friends of Music



YOUR CONCERT SEASON

2012
2012
2013



Friday November 30, 2012 7:30pm



John West

Organist, welcoming in the Advent Season

John West has enjoyed a career that has taken him worldwide from Russia to South America and throughout North America, including prestigious national appearances with the New York Philharmonic, Disney Concert Hall with the Los Angeles Master Chorale and in Ottawa, Canada, to rave reviews.

Friday January 18 7:30pm

Arpa y Aulos with guitarist Yalil Guerra

The ensemble of Salpy Kerkonian (flute) and Andrea Puente (harp) is inspired by two ancient instruments: the lyre and the aulos. Their program will take us on a musical journey from the Renaissance to the present day and will include special guest artist, Yalil Guerra, a 2010 Latin Grammy® nominee, on the guitar.

A musical journey through time



Saturday March 16, 2013 7:30pm



"Jump and jive"



SOS, The Sisters of Swing

This close vocal harmony trio offers hits from the swing era and beyond. Stephanie Krystad, Teresa Parente and Ember Vaughan, all smashing singers and musicians, have fine-tuned some of their favorite music to create a sound that is at once distinctive and deliciously familiar.

Our prelude concert this year: the magnificent sounds of gospel presented by the LACT Sanctuary Choir of Pasadena, CA, winners of the 2011 "How Sweet the Sound" contest sponsored by Verizon.

Tickets are available online at www.northridgeumc.org/fom

- \$7.00 students with ID
- \$20.00 adults single admission
- \$15.00 groups of 10 or more under one name
- \$65.00 season ticket

Tickets may be printed in advance from a desktop computer or purchased at the door as available.

Single concert or series sponsorship is open and available to individuals, organizations or corporate foundations for the remainder of the 2012-2013 season. We welcome your inquiries at fomchair@northridgeumc.org.

Dates and times are based on information available at the time of publication.

Northridge United Methodist Church
9650 Reseda Blvd. • Northridge, CA 91324
818 886-1555

Friday March 16, 2013 7:30pm



Trio da Mare e Sole

Julia Heinen (clarinet), Ruslan Biryukov (cello) and Dmitry Rachmanov (piano) are three of the finest artists on their instruments. This trio has enchanted audiences worldwide with some of the most beautiful music composed for the combination of piano, cello and clarinet.



A tapestry of collaborative musicians

Friday May 17, 2013 7:30pm

LYRA

Touring extensively in Europe and throughout the USA, LYRA explores and popularizes Russian choral music. Through their performances, they introduce the rich musical heritage of the Russian Orthodox Church, as well as the traditions of Russian folk music, to all people who are interested in Russia, its history and culture.



Sacred music of the Russian Orthodox Church and Russian folk music