

中華表演藝術基金會
Foundation for Chinese Performing Arts
The 17th Annual

Music Festival at Walnut Hill

Concerts and Master Class

August 1 - 22, 2008

Except the August 20's Esplanade Concert, all the events will be held at the Walnut Hill School, 12 Highland St. Natick, MA 01760.

(\$5 donation at door)

Saturday, August 16, 2008, 1 PM

Cello and Chamber Music Master Class

Mr. Laurence Lesser

Boswell Recital Hall

Program

Elgar: E minor cello concerto, IV mvt
Li-Jia Chuang

Beethoven: Cello sonata, Op. 102, No. 2
Evan Wong, piano
Nancheng Chen, cello

Dvorak: Quintet for piano, two violins, viola, and cello, Op. 81, 1st mvt
Yinfei Wang, piano
Dennis Yu-Kun Hsiang, violin
Virgil Yu, violin
Chris Chang, viola
Stalla Ching-Ting Huang, cello

Laurence Lesser

*President Emeritus; Walter W. Naumburg Chair in Music; Violoncello,
Chamber Music*

Laurence Lesser was a top prize winner in the 1966 Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow and a guest performer in the historic Heifetz-Piatigorsky concerts and recordings. In 1976 he gave the premiere of Menotti's *Fantasia* (written for him under a Ford Foundation grant) with the New Japan Philharmonic under Seiji Ozawa; in 1991, he performed the New England premiere with the NEC Symphony conducted by Mstislav Rostropovich. He has been a soloist with the BSO, the London Philharmonic, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, and other major orchestras. He has appeared at the Casals, Spoleto, Marlboro, Charleston, and Santa Fe festivals as well as London's South Bank Summer Music Festival. He is a frequent participant at the Banff Centre for the Arts and has been associated with Tokyo's Toho Gakuen School of Music. In 2005, Lesser was named a "Chevalier du Violoncelle" by the Eva Janzer Memorial Cello Center at Indiana University, awarded for distinguished achievements and contributions to the world of cello playing and teaching.

Laurence Lesser occupies a teaching chair endowed by the estate of Walter W. Naumburg.

A.B., cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Harvard College. Studies with Gregor Piatigorsky at the University of Southern California. Fulbright Scholar with Gaspar Cassadó in Köln, Germany. Recordings on Columbia, RCA, Melodiya, Desto. Former faculty of Peabody Institute, University of Southern California.

Updated details at: www.ChinesePerformingArts.net

Concerts and Master Classes Schedule, August 1-22, 2008

1. Monday, 8/4: 7:30 PM: (at Orchard Cove Retirement Center, Canton, MA)

Mr. Nai-Yuan Hu 胡乃元, violin and Prof. Pi-Hsien Chen 陳必先 piano

Program: All Schubert Program

Sonatina in D Major, Op. 137, No. 1, D. 384

Sonata in A Minor, Op. 137, NO. 2, D. 385

Sonata in G Minor, Op. 137, No. 3, D. 408

2. Thursday, 8/7: 1 pm: concerto competition: Prokofiev Piano Concerto No. 1

3. Friday, 8/8, 7:30 PM: Faculty recital

Faculty members including Lynn Chang 張萬鈞, Pi-Hsien Chen 陳必先, Bion Tsang 章雨亭, Nai-Yuan Hu 胡乃元, and others will perform.

4. Saturday, 8/9: 7:30 PM:

Performance by the rising stars of this festival: Kathy Lee, YinFei Wang, Gemma Chang, Yating Yang, Tina Huang, Ta-wei Tsai, Dennis Hsiang, Qi Kong

Program: piano and violin works by Bach, Chopin, Liszt, Wieniawski, Mozart, Snding, and Ravel.

5. Sunday, 8/10: 7:30 PM:

Recital by Mr. George Li, piano

Second prize winner of 2008 Gina Bachauer International Piano Junior Artist competition

Program:

Haydn: Sonata in E major, Hob. XVI/31

Liszt: Hungarian Rhapsody No.11

Chopin: Nocturne in C# minor, Opus Posthumous

Ravel: Alborada Del Gracioso

Beethoven: Sonata No.14 in C sharp minor, Opus 27 No. 2 (Moonlight)

Chopin: Scherzo No. 2 in B flat minor, Opus 31

6. Monday, 8/11: 7:30 PM:

Lecture/Performance by Nai-Yuan Hu 胡乃元: “The Sound of Music, Bach A minor solo sonata”

7. Tuesday, 8/12: 7:30 PM:

Recital by Prof. Hung-Kuan Chen 陳宏寬, piano

Program:

Brahms op. 116 no.4

Beethoven Sonata op. 101

Brahms Variations on a Theme of Paganini

Bartok Out of Doors Suite

Rachmaninoff Sonata

8. Wednesday, 8/13: 2:30 PM:

Mrs. MaryLou Speaker Churchill violin master class.

9. Wednesday, 8/13: 7:30 PM:

Lecture/Performance by Prof. Pi-Hsien Chen 陳必先: “Music after Schoenberg’s”

10. Friday 8/15: 2:30 PM:

Ms. Gillian Rogell Chamber Music Master Class

11. Friday, 8/15, 7:30 PM:

Recital by Mr. Minsoo Sohn, piano

First Laureate of the 2006 Honens International Piano Competition

Program: TBA

12. Saturday, 8/16, 1 PM:

Mr. Laurence Lesser cello master class

13. Saturday, 8/16, 8 PM:

Longwood Symphony Orchestra, Jonathan McPhee, Music Director,

Program includes: Prokofiev Piano Concerto No.1: Wesley Chu, winner of the 2008

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14. Sunday, 8/17: 3:30 PM:

Mr. Russell Sherman piano master class

15. Sunday, 8/17: 7:30 PM:

Recital by Mr. Zenan Yu 于泽楠, piano

winner of 2007 New England Conservatory Piano Concerto Competition

Program:

J.S.Bach transcribed by Busoni: "Nun komm' der Heiden Heiland," BWV 659

Brahms: Piano sonata No.3 in F minor

Chopin: Scherzos Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4

16. Monday, 8/18: 7:30 PM:

Prof. Yehudi Wyner Chamber Music Master Class

17. Wednesday, 8/20: 7:30 PM:

Longwood Symphony Orchestra at Hatch Shell on Boston Esplanade

Jonathan McPhee, Music Director,

Program includes: Prokofiev Piano Concerto No.1: Wesley Chu, winner of the 2008 Foundation for Chinese Performing Arts Concerto Competition.

18. And 19. Thursday, 8/21, 2 PM and 7:30 PM:

Student Showcase Gala Concert 1 and 2

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The **Faculty Members** of the 17th Annual Summer Music Festival include: (a partial list)

Piano:

Tema Blackstone, Mount Royal College, Calgary, Morningside Music Bridge

Sylvia Chambless, New England Conservatory

Hung-Kuan Chen 陳宏寬, Chairman, Piano Department of Shanghai Conservatory

Pi-Hsien Chen 陳必先, Hochschule fur Musik Freiburg

Meng-Chieh Liu 劉孟捷, Curtis Institute of Music, Roosevelt University

Russell Sherman, piano master class, Distinguished Artist-in-residence of New England Conservatory

Violin:

Lynn Chang 張萬鈞, New England Conservatory, Boston Conservatory

MaryLou Speaker Churchill: violin master class, former Boston Symphony Orchestra
Principal Second violin

Nai-Yuan Hu 胡乃元, former faculty of Hartt School of Music

Viola:

Gillian Rogell: New England Conservatory

Cello:

Michael Bonner, Longy School of Music
Laurence Lesser: cello master class, President Emeritus, New England Conservatory
Carol Ou, New England Conservatory
Bion Tsang 章雨亭, University of Texas at Austin

Chamber Music:

Yehudi Wyner, Chamber Music Master Class, recipient of the 2006 Pulitzer Prize in Music

Clarinet:

Thomas Hill, New England Conservatory, Longy School of Music

Percussion:

Robert Schulz: Brandeis, Harvard and Tufts Universities. Grammy Award nominee 2004.

Coming Events
2008-2009

1. Saturday, Sept. 20, 2008 at the First Church of Boston
Youth Poetry in Silk and Bamboo: First Annual Chinese Music Instrument Competition 絲竹春吟: 第一屆青少年中國器樂比賽
2. Saturday, September 27, 2008, 8 pm at Jordan Hall
Chuan-Yun Li 李傳韻, violin
Robert Koenig, piano
3. Saturday, October 25, 2008, 8 pm at John Hancock Hall
“Sound of the Ocean” by U Theatre 優人神鼓
4. Saturday, January 10, 2009, 8 pm at Jordan Hall
Winners of Young Concert Artists International Audition:
Chu-Fang Huang, piano
Daxun Zhang, double bass
5. Saturday, March 21, 2009, 8 pm at Jordan Hall
Meng-Chieh Liu 劉孟捷, piano