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MUSIC AT KOHL MANSION ANNOUNCES 2013-2014 CONCERT SERIES.
31st Annual Season runs October 20, 2013 to May 4, 2014.

Burlingame, CA, June 28, 2013 - Music at Kohl Mansion has announced the lineup for its 31st annual series of chamber concerts in Burlingame's historic Kohl Mansion, opening Sunday, October 20, 2013 at 7 pm. The series, currently in its 31st year, will feature eight monthly concerts on Sunday evenings at 7 pm. The music of fourteen composers will be represented, with a balance of beloved traditional repertoire and exciting contemporary works. Five of the eight concerts are Music at Kohl debut artists: the **Fine Arts Quartet**, pianist **Joyce Yang**, the **Trio Cavatina** with violist **Samuel Rhodes**, Germany's **Henschel Quartet**, and Israel's young rising stars, the **Ariel Quartet**. Returning to the Kohl stage are favorites **Garrick Ohlsson**, the **Miró Quartet**, and the **Alexander String Quartet**. The annual Gala concert benefiting the *Kohl for Kids* education program will take place Sunday, December 15, celebrating the holiday season with **A Night at the Opera**.

Concerts are held in the Great Hall of the historic Kohl Mansion, 2750 Adeline Drive, Burlingame, and include free pre-concert talks by Music at Kohl's resident musicologist and educator **Kai Christiansen**, as well as complimentary post-concert receptions with the performers.

Chamber Series:

Sunday, October 20, 2013: Fine Arts Quartet - The season opens Sunday, October 20 with the Music at Kohl debut of the **Fine Arts Quartet**, celebrated as "One of the gold-plated names in chamber music" (*Washington Post*.) Founded in Chicago in 1946, the quartet ranks among the most distinguished music ensembles of our time, and is one of the elite few to have recorded and toured internationally for over half a century, performing worldwide in such cities as New York, London,

Paris, Berlin, Rome, Madrid, Moscow, Tokyo, Beijing, Istanbul, Jerusalem, Mexico City, and Toronto.

Sunday, November 10, 2013: Pianist **Joyce Yang** with the **Alexander String Quartet** - Described as “the most gifted young pianist of her generation” with a “million-volt stage presence” pianist **Joyce Yang** has established herself as one of the leading artists of today. A 2005 Van Cliburn International Competition Silver Medalist, she is the 2010 recipient of an Avery Fisher Career Grant, one of classical music’s most prestigious accolades. She joins the **Alexander String Quartet** in her Kohl debut, to offer a sneak preview of their joint CD to be released later this fall.

Honorary Chairs of last year’s MAKM 30th Anniversary Season, the **Alexander String Quartet** has performed in the major music capitals of five continents, securing its standing among the world’s premier ensembles. A major artistic presence in its home base of San Francisco, the quartet’s members serve as directors of the Morrison Chamber Music Center at San Francisco State University and Ensemble in Residence of San Francisco Performances.

Sunday, January 12, 2014: Pianist **Garrick Ohlsson, in Recital** - Renowned throughout the world since winning the 1970 Chopin International Piano Competition, pianist **Garrick Ohlsson** makes his long-awaited return to the Kohl stage. Regarded as one of the world’s leading exponents of the music of Frédéric Chopin, Mr. Ohlsson commands an enormous repertoire which ranges over the entire piano literature. A student of the late Claudio Arrau, he has come to be noted for his masterly performances of the works of Mozart, Beethoven and Schubert, as well as the Romantic repertoire. To date he has at his command more than 80 concerts, ranging from Haydn and Mozart to works of the 21st century.

Sunday, February 2, 2014: **Trio Cavatina** with violist **Samuel Rhodes** of the Juilliard String Quartet- Formed in 2005 at the renowned Marlboro Music Festival in Vermont, **Trio Cavatina** has quickly emerged as one of today’s outstanding chamber ensembles. Winners in 2009 of the coveted Naumburg International Chamber Music Competition, the trio made its Carnegie Hall debut in 2010 and its San Francisco debut later that same year with San Francisco Performances. Joining the trio for this Music at Kohl debut is eminent violist **Samuel Rhodes**, currently celebrating 44 years as a member of the Juilliard String Quartet and the faculty of the Juilliard School.

Sunday, March 9, 2014: **Miró Quartet** - Hailed by *The New York Times* as possessing “explosive

vigor and technical finesse”, the dynamic **Miró Quartet**, one of America's highest-profile chamber groups, enjoys its place at the top of the international chamber music scene. Formed in 1995 at the Oberlin Conservatory, the quartet garnered first prizes at the Coleman, Fischhoff, and Banff competitions as well as the prestigious Naumburg Chamber Music Award. The quartet was also a recipient of the Cleveland Quartet Award and was the first ensemble ever to be awarded the Avery Fisher Career Grant. A favorite of Kohl audiences, the Miró Quartet is deeply committed to music education and currently serves as Faculty String Quartet-in-Residence at the University of Texas at Austin.

Sunday, April 13, 2014: Israel's **Ariel Quartet** - Characterized by its youth, brilliant playing, and soulful interpretations, the **Ariel Quartet** has quickly earned a glowing international reputation. Formed in Israel, the quartet moved to the United States in 2004 to continue its professional studies, later winning a number of international prizes, including the Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition, Franz Schubert competition in Graz, Austria, Székely Prize, and Banff International String Quartet Competition. In January 2012 the Ariel was named quartet-in-residence at the University of Cincinnati's College-Conservatory of Music, an astonishing accomplishment for such a young group. The Ariel Quartet makes its debut as this year's Music at Kohl Discovery Artists.

Sunday, May 4, 2014: Germany's **Henschel Quartet** - Founded in 1994 and based in Munich, Germany, the **Henschel Quartet** celebrates its 20th Anniversary this season. Winner of multiple prizes at the international competitions of Evian, Banff, Salzburg, and Osaka International Chamber Music Competition, the quartet makes its Music at Kohl debut to close our 31st season. The Henschel Quartet enjoys world-wide renown, including as Cultural Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany, performing at the Vatican in the presence of Pope Benedict XVI, at the Royal Palace of Madrid, the prestigious Suntory Hall in Tokyo, and this year in Amsterdam and New York City (Carnegie Hall.)

Gala Holiday Concert:

Sunday, December 15, 2013: A Night at the Opera - Non-subscription concert benefits *Kohl for Kids* programs. Performers and repertoire for this annual holiday celebration concert will be announced at a later date.

About Music at Kohl Mansion:

Housed in a beautiful 1912 Tudor-style estate built in Burlingame by Frederick Kohl (son of a wealthy business tycoon) and his wife Bessie, Music at Kohl Mansion was founded in 1983 to offer quality chamber concerts on the San Francisco Peninsula. Excellent acoustics, ideal size and the intimate atmosphere of the Mansion's Great Hall make it a superb chamber music venue.

This year marks the 31st consecutive season of world-class chamber concerts in the historic Kohl Mansion. Located just 15 miles south of San Francisco, Kohl Mansion has become a favorite destination of chamber music lovers from as far away as San Jose, Marin County and East Bay communities. A consistently outstanding quality of performers and repertoire has helped to build a loyal following for the series over the three decades since its founding. Concert-goers praise the "Music at Kohl experience", distinguished not only by superb artistry, but also by the exquisite venue, casual yet elegant ambiance, affordable ticket prices, easy accessibility, free parking, friendly patrons and, most notably, complimentary post-concert receptions after every performance. Music at Kohl Mansion has also earned a distinguished reputation among musicians as a favorite place to perform - as much for its splendid acoustics as for its warm and supportive audiences.

Music at Kohl Mansion is an independent non-profit, 501 (c) (3) charitable organization operating in collaboration with and on the campus of Mercy High School, Burlingame. Major support is provided by the Mervyn L. Brenner Foundation, San Mateo County Arts Commission, Carlstrom Productions, Ross McKee Foundation, Sam Mazza Foundation, Hind Foundation, Y&H Soda Foundation, Friedman Family Foundation, the San Francisco Airport Marriott Waterfront, San Mateo Daily Journal and more than 200 generous individuals and local businesses.

Tickets and Information:

Chamber Series:

Subscription:(7 concerts)

Until July 31, 2013: \$255 Adult; \$240 Senior; \$80 Gen Y&Z (30 and under)

After July 31, 2013:\$270 Adult; \$255 Senior; \$80 Gen Y&Z (30 and under)

Single Tickets:

Available as of July 31: \$48 Adult; \$45 Senior; \$15 Gen Y&Z (30 and under)

Gala Holiday Concert:

\$60 each; (\$50 each for two or more tickets)

SPECIAL OFFER: \$40 with full season subscription only, until July 31.

Purchase Tickets:

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Pre-Concert Talks by musicologist Kai Christiansen at 6 pm on Sundays preceding all subscription concerts (admission-free.)

Seating is by general admission. The Box Office opens at 5:45 pm (one hour fifteen minutes prior to concert.) Call (650) 762-1130 for information about member seating benefits.

Parking is convenient and free. Music at Kohl Mansion is **wheelchair accessible**.

Special Assistance: Contact the office for assistance with ramp, stair or other access requests: (650) 762-1130

Complimentary **Meet-the-Artists Reception** follows every concert.

Season Brochure: call (650) 762-1130 or email info@musicatkohl.org.

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CHAMBER CONCERT SERIES:

Sunday, October 20, 2013 - 7 pm

Pre-Concert Talk at 6 pm

Fine Arts Quartet (Kohl Debut)

Haydn: String Quartet in D Major, Op. 71, No. 2

Saint-Saëns: String Quartet No. 2 in G Major, Op. 153

Schumann: String Quartet in A minor, Op. 41, No. 1

Sunday, November 10, 2013 - 7 pm

Pre-Concert Talk at 6 pm

Alexander String Quartet with Joyce Yang, piano (Kohl Debut)

Schumann: *Fantasiestücke*, Op. 12

Britten: String Quartet No. 2 in C Major, Op. 36

Brahms: Piano Quintet in F minor, Op. 34

Sunday, December 15, 2013 - 7 pm

Holiday Concert

Pre-Concert Talk at 6 pm

A Night at the Opera - Gala Holiday Concert

Non-subscription concert benefits *Kohl for Kids* programs.

Performers and repertoire TBA

Sunday, January 12, 2014 - 7 pm

Pre-Concert Talk at 6 pm

Pianist Garrick Ohlsson in Recital

Beethoven: Piano Sonata in E major, Op. 109

Schubert: Fantasy in C Major, "Der Wanderer", D. 760

Griffes: Selected Pieces

Chopin: Piano Sonata in B minor, Op. 58

Sunday, February 2, 2014 - 7 pm

Pre-Concert Talk at 6 pm

Trio Cavatina with Samuel Rhodes, viola (Kohl Debut)

Beethoven: Piano Trio in E-flat Major, Op. 1, No. 1

Copland: Piano Quartet

Brahms: Piano Quartet in C minor, Op. 60

Sunday, March 9, 2014 - 7 pm

Pre-Concert Talk at 6 pm

Miró Quartet

Haydn: String Quartet in D Major, Op. 64, No. 5, "The Lark"

Dutilleux: *Ainsi la nuit*

Beethoven: String Quartet in E minor, Op. 59, No. 2

Sunday, April 13, 2014 - 7 pm

Pre-Concert Talk at 6 pm

Ariel String Quartet (Kohl Debut)

Mozart: String Quartet in D Major, K. 575

Beethoven: String Quartet in F Major, Op. 135

Schubert: String Quartet in G Major, D. 887

Sunday, May 4, 2014 - 7 pm

Pre-Concert Talk at 6 pm

Henschel Quartet (Kohl Debut)

Mozart: String Quartet in A Major, K. 464

Christopher Theofanidis: *Visions and Miracles*

Mendelssohn: String Quartet in E minor, Op. 44, No. 2

GALA HOLIDAY CONCERT

Sunday, December 15, 2013 – 7 pm

A Night at the Opera

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Performers and repertoire will be announced at a later date.

All concerts begin at 7 pm. Pre-Concert Talks by musicologist Kai Christiansen begin at 6 pm

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A complimentary Reception with Artists follows every concert.

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PHOTOS: High resolution photos of season artists are available electronically.

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All programs, artists and repertoire are subject to change.

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