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THE BAY AREA'S "PRESTIGIOUS CHAMBER MUSIC PRESENTER" LAUNCHES 2023-24 SEASON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22 AT 7 PM WITH CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED ISRAELI CHAMBER PROJECT

7-CONCERT SERIES OF CLASSIC & CONTEMPORARY CHAMBER MUSIC FEATURING EXTRAORDINARY ARTISTS AND PROGRAMMING INCLUDING: JUPITER STRING QUARTET, NOV. 19; FRAUTSCHI, MANASSE, NAKAMATSU TRIO, JAN. 28; HORSZOWSKI TRIO, FEB. 25; POULENC TRIO & SOPRANO SHAWNETTE SULKER, MARCH 17; PIANIST JOYCE YANG IN RECITAL, APRIL 7; PIANIST ILYA YAKUSHEV & MEMBERS OF ST. LAWRENCE STRING QUARTET, MAY 5 Tickets Now on Sale: <u>musicatkohl.org</u>



Israeli Chamber Project

WHO/WHEN: Music at Kohl Mansion (MAKM), the Bay Area's "prestigious chamber music presenter," will proudly launch the 2023-24 international chamber music season Sunday, October 22 at 7 p.m. with the virtuosic Israeli Chamber Project, as part of a 7-concert series on Sunday evenings at the historic Kohl Mansion's Great Hall, a cherished venue hailed as "an acoustic gem ... an intimate performance space." (*San Francisco Chronicle*)

PROGRAM: ISRAELI CHAMBER PROJECT presents

"Voices from the East" five composers who explore the rich folk music traditions of Eastern Europe

Jean Sibelius: String Trio in A Major Max Bruch: Selections from *Eight Pieces*, Op. 83 for Clarinet, Viola, Piano Krzysztof Penderecki: Quartet for Clarinet and String Trio Shulamit Ran: *Private Game* for Clarinet and Cello – West Coast Premiere Antonín Dvořák: Piano Quartet in D Major, Op. 23 **Carmit Zori, violin; Guy Ben-Ziony, viola; Michal Korman, cello; Tibi Cziger, clarinet; Assaff Weisman, piano**

ACCLAIM: "The Israeli Chamber Project is that rarest of creatures: a band of world-class soloists that is not a muster of peacocks, but a hive mind in which egos dissolve and players think, breathe and play as one." (*Time Out* NY)

ABOUT: The Music at Kohl Mansion season gets underway Sunday, October 22 with the return of the highly respected Tel Aviv-based **Israeli Chamber Project** boasting a quintet of exceptionally talented and active musicians. Now in its second decade, the Israeli Chamber Project is a dynamic ensemble comprising strings, winds, harp, and piano, that brings together some of today's most distinguished musicians for chamber music concerts and educational and outreach programs both in Israel and abroad. It was named the winner of the 2011 Israeli Ministry of Culture Outstanding Ensemble Award and 2017 Partos Prize in recognition of its passionate musicianship, creative programming, and commitment to educational outreach. An important part of the Israeli Chamber Project's mission is to support emerging Israeli composers by commissioning works specifically for the ensemble. The Israeli Chamber Project has appeared at venues including London's Wigmore Hall, Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall, the Morgan Library & Museum, Town Hall and Merkin Concert Hall in New York City, the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Philadelphia's Kimmel Center, Herbst Theatre in San Francisco, The Clark Memorial Library at UCLA, Ottawa's Chamberfest, and on tour in China.

NOTE: The Israeli Chamber Project will appear in a free public conversation performing musical excerpts at the **San Mateo Public Library**, Saturday October 21 at 3 p.m., Oak Room, 55 West 3rd Avenue.

TICKETS: Music at Kohl Mansion's 2023-24 Season is presented at the historic Kohl Mansion's Great Hall, 2750 Adeline Drive, Burlingame, CA. Subscription tickets for the 7-concert series are priced \$345 (adult), \$330 (senior) and \$150 (age 30 and under). Single tickets are priced \$58 (adult), \$55 (senior) and \$25 (age 30 and under). To purchase subscription or individual concert tickets, call the Box Office at (650) 762-1130 or order online via <u>musicatkohl.org</u>.

PRE-CONCERT: St. Lawrence String Quartet cellist and educator **Christopher Costanza** will provide an informative and lively pre-performance lecture at 6 p.m. in the Kohl Mansion Library before all seven concerts. All concerts include a complimentary post-performance reception with the artists. **Free, ample parking is provided.**

SEASON INCLUDES: Jupiter String Quartet, November 19; Frautschi, Manasse, Nakamatsu Trio, January 28; Horszowski Trio, February 25; Poulenc Trio with soprano Shawnette Sulker, March 17; Pianist Joyce Yang, April 7; Pianist Ilya Yakushev with members of the St. Lawrence String Quartet, May 5; all concerts at 7 p.m.

Major support of Music at Kohl Mansion's 41st Season is provided, in part, by the **San Mateo County Arts Commission**, **Sam Mazza Foundation**, **Mervyn Brenner Foundation**, and many generous individual donors.

Inspired by the belief that the arts strengthen communities, Music at Kohl Mansion presents world-class chamber music concerts in the historic Kohl Mansion and music education programs in public schools on the San Francisco Peninsula. Outreach programs provide access to interactive musical experiences for diverse populations of all ages. Located on the Mercy High School campus in Burlingame, the Kohl Mansion is a jewel-like setting for fine music. Listed in the National Register of Historic Places, this 1914 landmark features a gracious setting in the Elizabethan style Great Hall for intimate music on a grand scale. Patricia Kristof Moy, Executive Director. Visit <u>musicatkohl.org</u>

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