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Faculty Performances - Listen, Enjoy and Learn

Listening to a world class performer is always a rewarding and educational experience. And if this performer is your teacher—it is so much more enjoyable and inspirational. That's why we always encourage our students and parents to attend the concerts of our faculty.

Recently two of our instructors, Ms. JungHee Park and Ms. Lisa Leong, gave performances in our area. Ms. Park played in Roxbury and her concert was attended by some faculty members and her students. What a wonderful experience it has been for everyone in the audience! Lili Huang, a student of Ms. Park shares with us her impression of her teacher's performance:



"Ms. Park played **Piano Sonata E-flat Major, Hob. XVI: 52** by Franz Joseph Haydn, **Miroirs** ("Mirrors") by Maurice Ravel, and **Sonata No. 8 in B-flat Major, Op. 84** by Sergei Prokofiev. These were classical selections, but they were at the same time semi bouncy and upbeat.

My favorite piece would probably be *Une barque sur l'océan* (A Boat on the Ocean) by Maurice Ravel. This was my favorite choice, because the flowing of the high and low points was graceful and is the type of music I enjoy most. The Prokofiev pieces, with their many breaks and complicated, intricate chords weren't my favorites, though I still enjoyed them. In my opinion the Prokofiev Sonata No. 8 pieces weren't as elegant and artistic as some of the

others were. My two favorite composers from the night were Maurice Ravel and Franz Joseph Haydn, though I enjoyed Sergei Prokofiev's pieces very much. Ms. Park did a phenomenal job of playing these selections, and the joy and hard work on them was evident. It was a pleasure to be at this concert, and I'm proud to call Ms. Park my piano teacher. "

In May, Ms. Park will be playing in Carnegie Hall in NYC. She promised to play her program here at SMA in April. Watch announcements and don't miss it!

Those who attended Ms. Leong's performance and lecture on contemporary music at the Sharon Music Academy were wowed, amazed and conquered by Lisa's presentation. Unusual harmonies and rhythms, a fusion of a live piano and electronic sounds, interesting stories and facts delivered with a great artistry—all this made this evening a memorable and very much enjoyable event. And everybody learnt so much about contemporary music and composers! Thank you very much, Lisa and we look forward for your next performance!



There are a couple of oncoming music events that we would like to recommend to our students and parents. The member of our faculty, a world renowned pianist Nicolai Lomov will be performing a piano program "Classical Elegance in Christmas Season" on December 4th, 7 pm at Central Congregational Church (115 Commonwealth Avenue, Attleboro Falls, MA).

Never heard about theater organs? You have a chance to find out. We have brochures and **free tickets** for the concert on November 21st, 7:30 PM at Babson College.

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"Fact: Students who were exposed to music-based lessons scored a full 100% higher on fractions tests than those who learned in the conventional manner."
-Neurological Research,
March 15, 1999

Sharon Music Academy
 Annual Halloween Party
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 - Games
 - Magic



YouTube Video You Should See

In this edition of our “YouTube Video You Should See” column we would like to recommend an amazing fusion of music and sand animation . You will also get a taste of a Russian war music :
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5I8XP8prwZo>

Part circus, part great mastery, but definitely an interesting violin performance:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9EGHbwGGz8w>

November Music Evening At SMA

It is such a wonderful experience to perform for an audience! But meeting and socializing with fellow music lovers—priceless. That’s why our music evenings for our adult students keep growing. It looks like we have almost outgrown our space at SMA. Our event on November 14th featured 7 performers and many more spectators. For three brave beginners it was the first experience of performing on stage. Very appreciative audience consisted of parents and kids, friends and spouses, and, of course, fellow students. We’ve heard wonderful music, listened to many funny stories and tasted many delicious dishes. We so look forward to the next party on March 6th, 2010. We expect more of everything on March 6th—more performers, more laughter and more good food. Hope to see all of you there!



Announcements

- Our student, Christopher Chen performed in October at Carnegie Hall in AFAF Fall Gala Concert and Golden Voices of America 2009.
- Mark you calendars: Academy Winter Recitals will be held on Saturday, December 12th and Sunday, December 13th.
- Administration of the Sharon Music Academy and students of Vivien Chen want to congratulate Vivien with an upcoming wedding in December.
- Please pay attention to Announcements on our bulletin board. We often receive notifications on various music events in Boston area, which we put on our bulletin boards. In many cases we also receive free tickets. Don’t miss these opportunities to enhance yours or your child’s music education.