



iPalpiti Artists International, Inc.

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and artistic career advancement of exceptionally gifted young professional musicians.*

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iPalpiti Orchestra "United Nations of Classical Music" Brings Together 22 Countries 13th annual iPALPITI FESTIVAL of INTERNATIONAL LAUREATES July 11-25 iPalpiti Festival Celebrates Chopin & Schumann Bi-Centennial Birthdays Walt Disney Concert Hall Performance on Saturday, July 24 at 8 PM

Los Angeles, CA – The 13th annual *iPalpiti Festival of International Laureates*, featuring the acclaimed iPalpiti Orchestra, returns to Los Angeles and Beverly Hills July 11 through July 25 for two weeks of classical music, culminating in a performance at the Walt Disney Concert Hall on Saturday, July 24 at 8 p.m. **Under the direction of Maestro Eduard Schmieder**, this acclaimed ensemble of prize-winning musicians from around the globe performs to sold-out audiences in major concert halls throughout the world. This summer they arrive to Los Angeles from Argentina, Turkey, Estonia and beyond. Tickets for all events and information call (310) 205-0511 or visit www.iPalpiti.org. Tickets for the Walt Disney Concert Hall event are available through Ticketmaster (213) 480-3232 or at the Walt Disney Concert Hall Box Office.

Ten events will be presented from July 13 - 25. (See schedule for complete listing of events.)

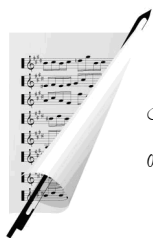
The iPalpiti Orchestra will rehearse as the ensemble-in-residence in the City of Beverly Hills at the Beverly Hills Public Library Auditorium. Festival artists are hosted by Hotel LePetit located in West Hollywood. Highlights of the festival include return of iPalpiti alumnus, **award-winning Romanian pianist Luiza Borac who "illuminates piano music with subtle but absolute mastery" (BBC Music Awards), and the eminent German cellist Julius Berger "held the audience spellbound" Münchner Merkur.** They **will be the featured soloists with the iPalpiti Orchestra at the Festival's grand finale concert at the Walt Disney Concert Hall on July 24**, Luisa playing Chopin Piano concerto in e-minor, and Julius performing Schumann Cello concerto.

Founded by Eduard Schmieder in 1991, the iPalpiti (ee-PAHL-pit-ee is Italian for heartbeat) Orchestra became a flagship ensemble of iPalpiti Artists International in 1999. iPalpiti's humanitarian mission of cultural exchange succeeded in creating a truly universal network among over 200 artists from all over the world, promoting international and cultural understanding through music. During the summer of each year, iPalpiti brings twenty-five to thirty of these exceptionally gifted professional musicians to its home-base in Los Angeles, California for the prestigious iPalpiti Festival of International Laureates where members perform in solo, ensemble, and orchestral public concerts. iPalpiti artists, often referred to as "Musical Peace Corps," hold claim to over 100 international competition awards. iPalpiti is internationally recognized for their breathtaking performances in Japan, Israel, Holland, Switzerland, Belgium and Italy, to name a few.

"Classical music is the spiritual factor which brings people together and unites them irrespective of religion and culture, appealing to sublime senses," states Eduard Schmieder.

Vivien Schweitzer of the New York Times (2007) said, *"...a fitting name for the vibrant string orchestra ...the ensemble was particularly noteworthy for its unity of purpose and blend. It was as if the musicians' hearts were beating to the same buoyant rhythm...lustrous, polished tone and graceful phrasing."* Los Angeles Times Classical Music Critic Daniel Cariaga (2002) stated *"...an astounding demonstration of seamless and beautiful string playing... memorable, luminous, deeply moving..."* London's Strad Magazine praised in 2004, *"Eduard Schmieder transforms the young professional players of his iPalpiti orchestra into tomorrow's first-rank musicians,"* and in 2009 review on its concert at the Carnegie Zankel Hall: *"[led] by conductor Eduard Schmieder with passion, intelligence, refinement and imagination, iPalpiti demonstrated an almost uncanny unanimity of sound and vibrato, a quality repeated again and again throughout the evening. It was especially remarkable to hear such a wide variety of individual tones emerge and then slip back into those fabulous unisons."*

iPalpiti Artists International, a non-profit organization, was founded in 1997 by Eduard and Laura Schmieder, internationally renowned violinists and music educators, with the blessing and support of the late Lord Yehudi Menuhin, legendary musician and humanitarian, a Founding Member and Honorary Artistic Advisor. The Advisory Board includes distinguished artists such as Vladimir Ashkenazy, Yefim Bronfman, Ida Haendel, Gary Karr, Gidon Kremer and Wynton Marsalis. With their guidance, iPalpiti discovers and promotes talented young professional artists from around the globe.



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EVENTS CALENDAR

Tuesday, July 12- Tuesday, July 19 **Special private events TBA/Outreach programs**

Friday, July 16 **Martin Chalifour, Principal Concertmaster, Los Angeles Philharmonic**
Master class/conversation with iPalpiti

Saturday, July 17 **iPalpiti soloists & orchestra "Preview"**
Open Rehearsal: **Rolling Hills United Methodist Church, 26438 Crenshaw Blvd., Rolling Hills Estates (310) 377-6771**
2:30 & 4:30PM FREE **Selections from July 24 program**
Concert: 7:30PM \$10

Sunday, July 18 **Meet the Artists Gala**
5PM \$175-250 **The estate of Helena and Stanley Kröl-Kolodziey, Beverly Hills, CA 90210**
Includes: Buffet reception/performance/VIP ticket to Walt Disney Concert Hall concert on July 24

6PM FREE **iPalpiti Soloists at Sundays Live! Broadcast 88.5 KCSN-FM**
LACMA, Bing Theater, 5905 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90036 (323) 857-6234
Homage to Chopin: *Francisco Vila, cellist(Ecuador) and Luiza Borac, pianist (Romania)*
Cello Sonata & selected Piano Etudes

Wednesday, July 21 **Greystone Mansion: iPalpiti Soloists**
7PM \$30 **Greystone Estate, 905 Loma Vista Dr. Beverly Hills, CA 90210 (310) 285-6830**
Schumann *Fantasiestücke* op. 88: Romanze & Duet
Chopin *Piano Trio* in g minor, op. 8
Myron Gould "Benny's Gig" for bass & clarinet/ Artem Chirkov, double bass & Tibi Cziger, clarinet

Thursday, July 22 **iPalpiti soloists & orchestra**
8PM \$10 **Hannon Theatre/Mt. St Mary's College 12001 Chalon Road, Los Angeles, CA 90048 (310)954-4330**

Saturday, July 24 **FESTIVAL GRAND FINALE**
iPalpiti Orchestra, Eduard Schmieder, conductor
6PM \$20 - \$80 **Walt Disney Concert Hall, 111 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90012**
Benjamin Britten *Young Apollo, Opus 16*
Fryderyk Chopin *Piano Concerto in e-minor*
Luiza Borac, soloist
Ronald Royer (b.1970) *In Memoriam Fryderyk Chopin (based on the Nocturne in E Minor, Op. 72, No. 1*
For Clarinet, Cello and String Orchestra
Robert Schumann *Cello Concerto*
Julius Berger, soloist
Benjamin Britten *Simple Symphony*

Sunday July 25 **iPalpiti Soloists at Sundays Live! broadcast 88.5 KCSN-FM**
6PM FREE **LACMA, Bing Theater, 5905 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90036 (323) 857-6234**
Homage to Schumann: *Piano Quintett & more*
Rainer/Radauer-Plank/Shagidullina/Berger/Borac

Ticket Information: Tickets for all venues visit www.ipalpiti.org or call (310) 205-0511; Tickets for Walt Disney Concert Hall tickets available through TICKETMASTER: 213.480.3232 or www.Ticketmaster.com or at the Walt Disney Concert Hall Box Office at 111 South Grand Avenue, downtown Los Angeles.

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NOTE: The programs and artists in the process of finalizing and will be updated.