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# OPUS 22

JUNE, 2009

Semi-Annual Newsletter published in June and November

Dear Friends,

On August 10, 28 artists will arrive to LA from 20 countries (see the list on the next page) to participate in the 12th annual *iPalpiti* Festival of International Laureates. With pride and delight we offer this annual gift to the community: a unique celebration of cultural unity and friendship without boundaries. The upcoming Festival will be a testament of new discoveries, new music, and another great week in the summer classical cultural life in LA.



In between the annual summer festivals, *iPalpiti* was invited again as artists-in-residence at Temple University in Philadelphia, with concerts at Kimmel Center and a return to Carnegie Hall in March 2009, and a "retreat" concert in Vevey, Switzerland, sponsored by Nestlé. The prestigious STRAD magazine selected *iPalpiti*'s concert at Carnegie Zankel Hall for its monthly review of the New York concert scene.

This summer, from August 10-24, *iPalpiti* artists will be hosted by Hotel LePetit in West Hollywood, and as a long-time resident ensemble of the City of Beverly Hills, *iPalpiti* orchestra will rehearse daily at the Greystone Mansion.

**Visit our website and meet the Artists of 2009 – it is not too late yet to "adopt" one. Call us!**

**Please show your support by booking Festival tickets right now (see order form on page five) and use the enclosed return envelope — it will be greatly appreciated.**

***It will be my honor to welcome each of you personally at all Festival events!***

Laura Schmieder, Director

"... [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..."

— *The Strad*, June 2009 Bill McGlaughlin review  
of the Carnegie Zankel Hall concert of March 5, 2009

# ARTIST HIGHLIGHTS

## The Soloists with iPalpiti at Disney Hall on August 22:



*iPalpiti 2009 members came to Los Angeles from 20 countries*

### Soloists

Timothy Fain, violinist/USA

Mariangela Vacatello, pianist/Italy

### Violins

Peter Rainer/Germany  
concertmaster

Daniel Austrich/Russia-Germany

Catharina Chen/Norway

Sara Chen/Norway

Azer Damirov/Azerbaijan

Aisha Dossumova/Kazakhstan

Ellen Jung/Canada

Nobuko Kawamura/Japan

Alfiya Latypova/Tatarstan

Kaija Lukas/Estonia

Desislava Marinova/Bulgaria

Sami Merdinian/Argentina

Deniz Toygur/Turkey

### Viola

Rumen Cvetkov/Bulgaria-Netherlands

Vladimir Dyo/USA

Adelya Shagidullina/Tatarstan

Evgeny Gorobtsov/Russia

### Cello

Yves Dharamraj/France-USA

Julie Jung/Canada

Francisco Vila/Equador-Spain

Missa Kang/Korea-Germany

Kian Soltani/Iran-Austria

Askar Ishangaliyev Kazakhstan-France

### Bass

Daniel Nix/Canada-USA

Jang-kyoon Na/Korea

### Piano

Jennie Jung/Canada



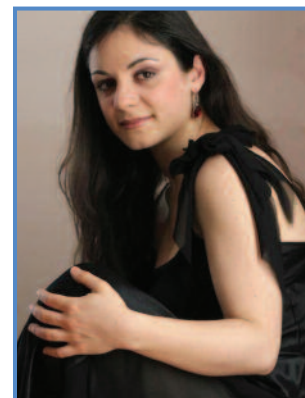
### Timothy Fain, violinist / USA

Billed as “brilliant young American violinist” (*Andrew Tomassini, New York Times* 2009), Tim is a native, Santa Monica-born, went to Crossroads School and studied violin with Laura Schmieder at the Colburn School and Eduard Schmieder. Leaving Los Angeles in his senior high-school year, Timothy graduated from the Curtis Institute and the Juilliard School. An Avery Fisher Career Grant recipient, he was selected as one of *Symphony Magazine*’s “Up-and-Coming” young musicians in 2006, and featured in *THE STRAD* magazine’s PICK of the UP&COMING MUSICIANS.

After winning the 1999 Young Concert Artists International Auditions, Tim Fain gave acclaimed debuts at the 92nd Street Y in New York and the Kennedy Center in Washington, DC, where the *Washington Post* review stated he possesses “everything he needs for a first-rate career.” His engagements as a soloist have paired him with symphonies throughout the U.S. (including his 2008 debut with the Baltimore Symphony under Marin Alsop in a performance of Aaron Jay Kernis’ *Lament and Prayer*) and abroad. A first violinist of the Rossetti String Quartet for many years, he toured with the quartet and Jean-Yves Thibaudet, as well as with the Philip Glass Ensemble in Europe. Tim has performed with The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center and at New York’s Bargemusic. He spends summers and tours nationally with “Musicians from Marlboro” and has performed at festivals in Ravinia, Santa Fe, Caramoor, Bard, and Martha’s Vineyard, to name a few.

### Mariangela Vacatello, pianist / Italy

Born in Naples in 1982 to a musician’s family, Mariangela began her musical studies at the age of four. She studied at the “Incontri con il Maestro” International Piano Academy in Imola, where she received a “Master” Diploma in 2006, concurrently graduating “cum laude” from the Milan Conservatory of Music. She lives in London where she is a Sterndale Bennett fellowship awardee at the Royal Academy of Music. Since the very beginning of her career, Mariangela has won an impressive series of prizes, including 2nd prize at the Busoni International Piano Competition 2005, the Dame Myra Hess Award, Laureate Prize of the prestigious Queen Elisabeth International Piano Competition 2007 in Bruxelles, and **most recently, was a Worldwide Audience Prizewinner of the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition 2009**. In the international concert arena, Mariangela has given recitals on prestigious stages as Salle Cortot, Salon D’Honneur du Musée de l’Armée-Hôtel des Invalides in Paris, Berlin Konzerthaus, Mozarteum Grosse Hall in Salzburg, Lisinsky Hall in Zagreb, Wigmore Hall in London, played several times in Mexico and toured with great acclaim in South Africa in 2004 and 2006, where her performances got standing ovations and rave reviews. In October 2002, Mariangela made her New York debut, playing at Bargemusic, and on December 2006 she gave a recital in the Weill Hall at Carnegie Hall. Mariangela’s performances are regularly broadcast by prestigious radio stations such as Radio France Musique, Musique Belgique, Radio Svizzera Italiana, Radio 3 Italia, Radio Pretoria.



## ALUMNI NEWS:

**Sayako Kusaka, violinist (Japan)** – won Idemitsu Music Prize (¥3m) that supports promising Japanese musicians under age 30.

Since 2007, Sayako has been a First Concertmaster of Konzerthaus Orchester Berlin — its first ever female concertmaster in Germany.

**Evgeny Eliah Sakakushev, cellist (Bulgaria)** – appointed to the principal cellist position, Sao Paulo Symphony, Brazil. Appointed Director of the Jewish Music Festival in Madrid.

**Roman Patkoló, double bassist (Slovakia)** – partnered with Anne-Sofie Mutter in European premiere of Andre Previn’s Double concerto for violin and double bass (London Symphony Orchestra, Barbican Hall, December 2008).

“...[Patkolo] certainly lived to his billing as a sensational soloist...” – *Strad Magazine*

**Isabelle Lambelet, violinist (Switzerland)** – 1st violin tutti position, Orchestre de la Suisse Romande, Geneva

**Daniel Turcina, violinist (Slovakia)** – Trondheim Soloists, Norway (received position on his very first job audition)

**Julia Sakharova, violinist (Moldova)** – Assistant Concertmaster, Alabama Symphony Orchestra

**Georgi Anichenko, cellist (Belarus)** – Second Prize, Lutoslawski International Cello Competition, Warsaw, Poland.

**Cameron Carpenter, organist (USA)** – 2009 Grammy nominee. Solo concerts in major halls worldwide. Dubbed “the Maverick Organist” by *The New York Times* and described as a “profound musical intelligence” by *The Wall Street Journal*, his organ playing is widely regarded as unmatched. [www.cameroncarpenter.com](http://www.cameroncarpenter.com)



# MEMENTOS FROM iPALPITI SEASON

## iPalpiti in Vevey – performing at Nestlé



iPalpiti in Vevey at Nestlé headquarters



iPalpiti in Vevey, with Mr. Lambelet

In December, iPalpiti was invited to Switzerland for a concert at the Nestlé Headquarters Centre Main Hall. Organized by Nestlé Music Club Chairman Mr. René Lambelet (yes, the father of iPalpiti alumnus violinist Isabelle Lambelet), this short magical retreat was superbly organized. The concert was titled "Eight Seasons," performing Four by Vivaldi and Four of Piazzolla. The full page review in the NESTLE GAZETTE gave rave compliments to each soloist, maestro, and to all artists for "an extraordinary concert, and the applause was generous and sincere, earning us two wonderful encores."

## An Evening of Romances



Hayley & Michael Miller



Stanley & Helena Kolodziej



Leonard & Ada Sands with Celebrity Society Team



Laura with husband Maestro Eduard Schmieder

On Valentine Day Ada & Leonard Sands hosted an Evening of Romances. Excerpts from Maestro's play MY MUSIC MY LOVE: Brahms and Romantic Era were narrated by the host and Eduard played violin romances for all present (accompanied on the piano for the occasion by Laura).

## Annual Leo Frankel Tribute at Sotheby's



iPalpiti artists & Frankel family:  
The Canadians Jenny Jung,  
Juan-Miguel Hernandez, Ellen & Julie  
Jung, Nathan, Becka & Nadia Frankel.



Benefactors & Friends: Mary Levin Cutler,  
Celeste Van Myers, Sonya Waldow,  
Darlene Friedman, Annette Wolas.

November: At the 6th annual Leo Frankel Tribute, close to 100 friends and guests gathered to support the Leo Frankel Memorial Award Fund. His son, Nathan, a board member of iPalpiti, always performs with iPalpiti artists at this annual event in honor of his father's legacy.

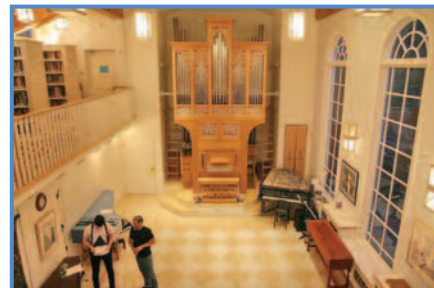
## Ida Haendel performs for iPalpiti at the Fisher's Home



Susan & Charles Avery Fisher, Ida Haendel and Maestro

Under the patronage of Susan & Charles Avery Fisher, New York Benefactors Concerts thrive as established musicales at their home. Presented in October-November, February, and May, the Third "season" opened on October 14, 2008 with Grand Dame of the violin Ida Haendel, CBE. An Honorary President of iPalpiti Artists International, Mme. Haendel generously contributes her name and talent and has performed with iPalpiti in Los Angeles and Israel.

## Cameron Carpenter



Contrapuntal Hall - getting acquainted with organ specs  
— Cameron & organ maker Greg Harold.



& post-performance with Patrons  
Sally & William Feathers.



Cameron Carpenter with Alan Kay & Bonnie MacBird

April: 2009 Grammy nominee /  
iPalpiti alumnus, Cameron  
Carpenter gave a private "iPalpiti"  
performance at the **Contrapuntal  
Performance Hall** in the home  
of Alan Kay and Bonnie MacBird.

## iPalpiti East Coast residence & tour



In February-March,  
iPalpiti again was  
invited as ensemble-in-  
residence at Temple  
University, and in  
between Kimmel &  
Carnegie concerts  
celebrated Purim in a  
Turkish home. Maestro  
and Catharina Chen  
"performing."

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... My school took me to the orchestra and it was a lot better than I expected.  
I would totally go again! Thank you, — Matthew B. (12 years old)

CALL 310.205 0511 to ask HOW YOU CAN HELP.

We welcome New Members! Send this letter to your friends, bring them to our events.



**Tickets to all listed events  
can be ordered NOW**

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**Saturday, August 15, 7:30 pm**

Rolling Hills United Methodist Church, Rolling Hills Estates  
iPalpiti Soloists

**Wednesday, August 19, 7:00 pm**

Greystone Mansion Beverly Hills, CA  
iPalpiti Soloists

**Sunday, August 16, 2 pm**

Hayley & Michael Miller Estate, Bel Air

**Affair in the Garden: Honoring Underwriters**

Buffet luncheon, performance and VIP ticket to Disney Hall Concert

**Buffet luncheon & iPalpiti soloists performance ONLY**

**Thursday, August 20, 7 p.m.**

Kröl-Kolodziey Estate, Beverly Hills

**"Meet the Artists" Gala**

Buffet dinner, performance and VIP ticket to Disney Hall Concert

**Buffet dinner & iPalpiti soloists performance ONLY**

**2-for-1 includes both gala events and 2 VIP tickets to concert**

◇ **Benefactors & Patrons pay for events ONLY**

**Saturday, August 22, 8:00 pm\***

Walt Disney Concert Hall

iPalpiti orchestra

Eduard Schmieder, conductor

Donors & Artists Reception following

15% Group Discount for 10+

25% Discount for Friends of iPalpiti

\$10 student tickets (Balcony)

☐ Front Orchestra (Rows AA-EE) \$80

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☐ Orchestra (Rows H-Q) \$60

☐ Orchestra East/West (Rows A-G) \$50

☐ Terrace (Rows A-P) \$40

☐ Terrace East/West (Rows A-C) \$27

☐ Orchestra View (Rows A-H) \$27

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☐ Terrace View (Rows A-C) \$20

50% of each ticket price is tax-deductible

Handling Charges: \$4 per ticket

I understand that ticket sales do not cover the  
Festival expenses and would like to support  
iPalpiti Artists International with an additional  
tax-deductible donation of:

Total Enclosed:

No. of Tix Total

\$10

Tickets sold at the door

\$30

\$175

\$105 is tax-deductible

\$125

\$65 is tax-deductible

\$250

\$180 is tax-deductible

\$175

\$105 is tax-deductible

\$350

\$205 is tax-deductible

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at **

213.480.3232

and in person @ Box Office

\*Artists and Programs are subject to change without notice

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Anderson School  
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Greystone Mansion  
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Walt Disney Concert Hall  
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iPalpiti orchestra in New York 2009



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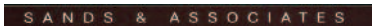
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## NEWSLETTER

### PRE-FESTIVAL ISSUE

“With Schmieder conducting, [iPalpiti] achieved a memorable, luminous, deeply moving performance... an astounding demonstration of seamless and beautiful string playing.” — *Daniel Cariaga, Los Angeles Times*



[ee-PAHL-pit-ee is Italian for "heartbeat"]

## 12TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAUREATES 2009

### Celebrating Mendelssohn Birthday Bi-Centennial

Featuring the acclaimed iPalpiti Orchestra “United Nations of Classical Music” • *Eduard Schmieder, Music Director & Conductor*

**TUESDAY**  
**August 11**  
**12:30PM**  
**FREE**

**iPalpiti Soloists** Around the World: from Norway to Argentina.  
**Korn Hall, UCLA, Anderson School**  
Estonia: Heino Eller “*Fantasy for a solo violin*” – Kaija Lukas  
Norway: Johan Halvorsen *Concertcaprice and Miniature* – Sisters Chen  
Argentina: Astor Piazzolla *Tango* – Sami Merdinian/Yves Dharamraj  
Spain: Gaspar Cassadó Suite “*Preludio e Fantasia*” – Francisco Vila, cello  
Iran: Kian Soltani “*Persian Fire Dance*” – Kian Soltani, cello  
Kazakhstan: Dina Nurpeisova “*Asemkonyr*” – Askar Ishangaliyev, cello

**THURSDAY**  
**August 13**  
**12:30PM**  
**FREE**

**iPalpiti Soloists**  
**Korn Hall, UCLA, Anderson School**  
Rossini: Sonata for 2 violins, cello, bass  
*Sisters Catbarina & Sara Chen/Askar Ishangaliyev/Daniel Nix*  
Mendelssohn: String Octet  
*Peter Rainer/Aisba Dossunova/Sami Merdinian/Nobuko Kawamura;*  
*Rumen Cvetkov/Adelya Shagidullina; Missa Kang/Julie Jung*

**SATURDAY**  
**August 15**  
**2:30-4:30PM**  
**7:30PM \$10**

**iPalpiti Orchestra** “Preview”  
**Rolling Hills United Methodist Church**  
Open Rehearsal  
Concert: selections from August 22 program

**SUNDAY**  
**August 16, 2PM**  
**\$125-\$175**

**Affair in the Gardens Honoring Underwriters**  
**Hayley & Michael Miller Estate, Bel Air**  
Luncheon and performance

**6PM**  
**FREE**

**iPalpiti Soloists at Sundays Live!** broadcast 88.5FM KCSN  
**LACMA Bing Theater**  
Mendelssohn Piano Trios:  
No. 1 in d minor, op. 49 *Daniel Austrich/Yves Dharamraj/Jennie Jung*  
No. 2 in c minor, op. 66 *Vladimir Dyo/Kian Soltani/Mariangela Vacatello*

**MONDAY**  
**August 17, 6PM**

**Dine & Mingle with the Artists at Pi on Sunset**  
Mediterranean cuisine, hookah and surprise impromptu performances

**WEDNESDAY**  
**August 19, 7PM**  
**\$30**

**Greystone Mansion: iPalpiti Soloists**  
Mendelssohn: Trio No. 1 in d minor  
*Daniel Austrich, violin/Yves Dharamraj, cello/Jennie Jung, piano*  
Tchaikovsky: Meditation, Melodie, Waltz-Scherzo/*Daniel Austrich*  
TBA *Yves Dharamraj*

**THURSDAY**  
**August 20, 7PM**  
**\$175-\$250**

**Meet the Artists Gala**  
**Kröl-Kolodziey Estate, Beverly Hills**  
Dinner and performance

**SATURDAY**  
**August 22**  
**8pm**  
**\$20 - \$80**

**Disney Concert Hall / iPalpiti Orchestra, Eduard Schmieder, conductor**  
Jenkins: Palladio - *Allegretto*  
Mendelssohn: Double Concerto for Violin & Piano  
*Soloists Timothy Fain, violin/USA / Mariangela Vacatello, piano/Italy*  
Vasks: Musica Dolorosa  
Beethoven: Quarteto Serioso (arr. Mahler)

**SUNDAY**  
**August 23, 6PM**  
**FREE**

**iPalpiti Soloists at Sundays Live! Bing Theater, LACMA**  
Mendelssohn: Violin & Piano Sonata in f minor, op. 4  
*Timothy Fain/Gideon Rubin*  
Mendelssohn: String Octet  
*Peter Rainer/Aisba Dossunova/Sami Merdinian/Nobuko Kawamura;*  
*Rumen Cvetkov/Adelya Shagidullina; Missa Kang/Julie Jung*

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