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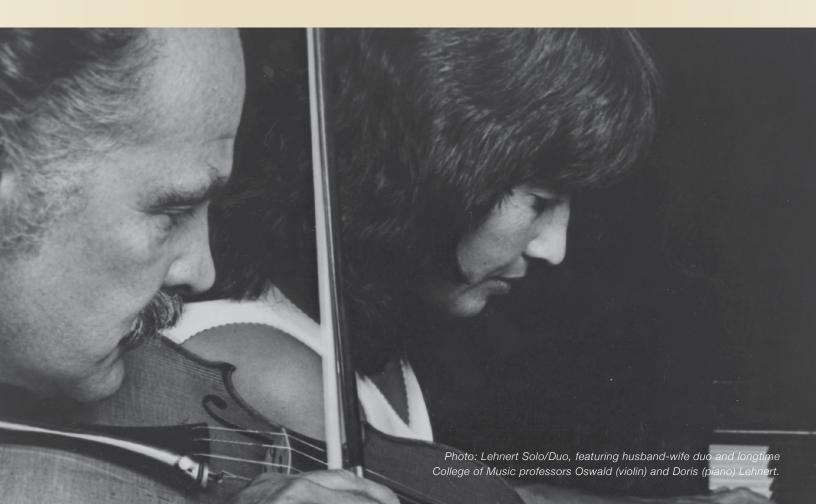
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College of Music's Faculty Tuesdays series celebrates 22 years of community-focused music making

By Sabine Kortals Stein

CU Boulder's College of Music has been offering free, live faculty performances to the Boulder community for more than two decades.

As part of the long-running Faculty Tuesdays series, professional musicians in the college play concerts every Tuesday during the fall and spring semesters, offering students and community members the opportunity to experience firsthand the renowned talent housed right here on campus.



Daniel Sher, former College of Music Dean, and Joan McLean Braun, assistant dean for concerts and communications and executive director of CU Presents, started the popular Faculty Tuesdays series in 1999. "With this series, the College of Music launched something unique," Sher said. "There really wasn't a formal approach to faculty recitals at other schools and colleges at the time."

But word of the first-of-its-kind series quickly spread to other universities. Sher routinely attended several conferences and roundtables for music deans and directors across the country, and found many of his colleagues at other institutions were inspired by Faculty Tuesdays. Some even expressed interest in similar programs of their own.

"Music deans at other schools would ask how we got such a large audience to the concerts and how we got faculty to participate," he said.

Since then, several music schools across the country have instituted similar programs, like Yale's Faculty Artist Series, Arizona State University's ASU in Concert Series and Michigan State University's Faculty Recital Series.

Craft and collaboration

Distinguished Professor of Piano David Korevaar has been a frequent performer at Faculty Tuesdays since its inception, participating in over 70 individual performances.

As a world-renowned professional musician who has performed throughout the United States, Europe, Asia, and Central and South America, Korevaar believes Faculty Tuesdays offers something special.

"This is one of the best audiences I play for anywhere in the world," Korevaar said. "And as performers, that's what musicians are all about."

For faculty, the series has served as a platform to practice their craft. It provides them with an appreciative audience and a free venue to try out their material before they take it on the road—an opportunity that's not offered to most professional musicians.

And, by allowing performers to schedule their slots in advance, it also inspires faculty to plan collaborative performances with colleagues in different departments, bringing a new dimension to the weekly performances.

"With the introduction of Faculty Tuesdays, our professors were less siloed and began to appreciate one another, and learn more about the artistry and abilities of their colleagues," Sher said.

"It contributed significantly to the climate of collaboration that the college enjoys today and elevated the mutual respect and admiration between our faculty members." Unlike other concerts, attendees don't have to drive far and pay expensive fees to hear professional quality music.

Chris Brauchli, a violinist and longtime donor to the College of Music, has attended Faculty Tuesday performances since the series' inception.

"The quality and level of the talent continues to blossom, and it makes the concerts superb," he said. "It's a real treat for people who live here to be able to hear these performances for free on a weekly basis."

The College of Music relies on community donations to continue to host Faculty Tuesdays.

To encourage others to donate, Brauchli has been known for his "magic envelope" bit on occasional Tuesday events. Formerly inserted in each hardcopy program, there was an envelope for voluntary donations.*

"As a joke, I've pointed out that attendees can tear it off, throw it away and it becomes trash," he said. "Or, they can put money inside, mail it back to the college and it becomes gold."

*With the College of Music's move to digital programs, **give here** to add your support for the Faculty Tuesdays series.

Faculty Tuesdays

Afterimages

Jennifer Hayghe, piano Alexandra Nguyen, piano

7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2021 Grusin Music Hall

Program

Afterimage: an impression of a vivid sensation (especially a visual image) retained after the stimulus has ceased.

Winnsboro Cotton Mill Blues, from North American Ballads

Frederic Rzewski (1938-2021) (arranged for two pianos by F. Rzewski)

Pour bercer un convalescent

Reynaldo Hahn (1874-1947)

- I. Andantino sans lenteur
- II. Andantino non lento
- III. Andantino espressivo

Afterimages

Alexina Louie (b. 1949)

- I. Afterimage
- II. The Ringing Earth
- III. Homage

Pavane pour une infante défunte

Maurice Ravel (1875-1937) (arranged for two pianos by M. Castelnuovo-Tedesco)

Suite No. 1 for two pianos, Fantaisie (Tableaux), Op. 5

Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

- I. Barcarolle
- II. La nuit... L'amour
- III. Les larmes
- IV. Pâques

Program notes

Texts for Fantaisie (Tableaux)

Translations by Boosey & Hawkes; edited by Deborah Marshall

Barcarolle [Gondola Song]

Poetry by Mikhail Lermontov (1814-1841)

O cool evening wave

Lap gently under the oars of the gondola

... that song again! And again the sound of the guitar!

... in the distance, now melancholy, now happy,

Was heard the sound of the old barcarolle:

'The gondola slides through the water,

And time flies through love;

The waters become smooth again

And passion will rise no more.'

La nuit... l'amour [The Night... the Love]

Poetry by Lord Byron (1788-1824)

It is the hour when from the boughs

The nightingale's high note is heard;

It is the hour when lovers' vows

Seem sweet in every whisper'd word;

And gentle winds, and waters near,

Make music to the lonely ear.

Les larmes [Tears]

Poetry by Fyodor Tyutchev (1803-1873)

Human tears, o human tears!
You flow both early and late —
You flow unknown, you flow unseen
Inexhaustible, innumerable, —
You flow like torrents of rain
In the depths of an autumn night.

Pâques [Easter]

Poetry by Alexei Khomyakov (1804-1860)

The mighty peal rang out over the earth, And all the air, moaning, shuddered and groaned. Melodious, silver thunderings Told the news of the holy triumph.

About the performers

Click or tap on bold and underlined text to view biographies or a performer's website.

Jennifer Hayghe, piano Alexandra Nguyen, piano

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