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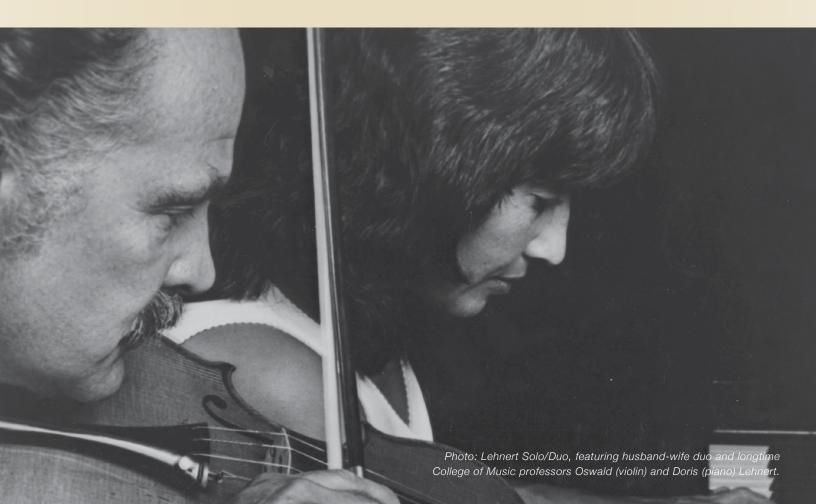
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College of Music's Faculty Tuesdays series celebrates 22 years of community-focused music making

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."

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Faculty Tuesdays

Two Pianos +

Margaret McDonald and Natasha Kislenko, piano With:
Zerek Dodson, piano
Keith Teepen, piano
Douglas Walter, percussion

Members of the CU Percussion Ensemble Christian De La Torre Euijin Jung Elan Rochell-Share Aidan Roux Eliot Sale

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

Program

Sonata in One movement in E minor for Two Pianos, Eight Hands

Bedřich Smetana (1824-1884)

Margaret McDonald and Keith Teepen, piano I Zerek Dodson and Natasha Kislenko, piano II

Sonata for Two Pianos

Germaine Tailleferre (1892-1983)

- I. Allegretto
- II. Andantino
- III. Allegro

-Intermission -

Symphonic Dances, Op. 45

Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

- I. Non Allegro
- II. Andante con moto (Tempo di valse)
- III. Lento assai Allegro vivace

Percussion

Douglas Walter
Christian De La Torre
Euijin Jung
Elan Rochell-share
Aidan Roux
Eliot Sale

About the performers

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

Margaret McDonald, piano Douglas Walter, percussion Natasha Kislenko, piano Zerek Dodson, piano

Keith Teepen, piano

Collaborative pianist Keith Teepen, has performed in Europe, Asia, South America and throughout North America. He is a multi-faceted musician having collaborated with a diverse spectrum of celebrated artists including: American operatic tenor Bryan Hymel, baritone Christopher Job, trumpeter Tine Thing Helseth, Broadway stars Laura Osnes and Donna Vivino, internationally renowned euphonium virtuosos Adam Frey and David Thornton, tuba virtuosos Øystein Baadsvik and Alan Baer as well as internationally renowned trombonist Scott Hartman. Frequently sought after as a musical theatre pianist, Teepen has had the pleasure of music directing a number of productions including: *The Threepenny Opera* (CU Boulder), William Finn's *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Empire Arts Center) and *Little Women* (University of North Dakota). Teepen is also a frequent collaborator in the opera world and was the "official pianist" for the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions – North Dakota-Manitoba District from 2015-2018.

Recently, Teepen had the pleasure of working with saxophonist Scott Sandberg on the album *Duality—Works for Tenor Saxophone & Piano*. The album features an eclectic collection of works, some never before recorded, and commissioned for Sandberg. In addition to his performance schedule, Teepen is a respected educator. He taught on the piano faculty at Pró-Música Music Festival in Juiz de Fora, Brazil and has held collaborative piano positions at DePauw University School of Music and Indiana University Jacobs School of Music. Most recently he was on the faculty at the University of North Dakota. Teepen is currently working as a teaching assistant at the University of Colorado Boulder and will graduatein May 2022 with a Doctor of Musical Arts in collaborative piano.

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