

The Houston Music Card

Chamber music and more!

January – February 2015

- Jan. 1 6:00pm **Bach Society Houston** presents Matthias Maierhofer, organ, and the Men's Chant Consort. Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd. www.bachsocietyhouston.org or 713-400-0514
- Jan. 6 7:30pm **St. Cecilia Chamber Music Society** presents "Ernst and Ernest" – a string trio by Dohnanyi, and Chausson's Concerto in D for violin, piano, and string quartet. St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 1805 W. Alabama. www.stceciliachambermusicshouston.org or 713-331-0359
- Jan. 8 6:00pm **River Oaks Chamber Orchestra** presents Beer & Brass, featuring the ROCO Brass Quintet at St. Arnold Brewery, 2000 Lyons Ave. www.rocohouston.org or 713-665-2700
- Jan. 10 7:30pm **Musiq** debuts a one-act opera, "Ulysses, Home," composed by Anthony Brandt, and the premiere of Karim Al-Zand's score for the silent film Cinderella. Zilkha Hall, Hobby Center (tickets available at Hobby Center). www.musiqhouston.org or 713-315-2525
- Jan. 10 8:00pm **Mercury** presents Vivaldi & Paganini – The Crimson Prince of Venice is a staged multi-media experience. Cullen Theater, Wortham Center. www.MercuryHouston.org or 713-533-0080
- Jan. 11 6:00pm **Apollo Chamber Players** presents East & West Transcended, with guest pianist Viktor Valkov, featuring French and Japanese works, and a world premiere based on Japanese folk music. Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd. www.apollochamberplayers.org or 832-496-9943
- Jan. 13 7:30pm **Apollo Chamber Players** presents East & West Transcended, with guest pianist Viktor Valkov (see January 11). Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd. at Greenbriar.
- Jan. 17 8:00pm **Guitar Houston** presents Russian guitarist Anton Baranov, winner of the 2013 Guitar Foundation of America competition. Emerson Unitarian Universalist Church, 1900 Bering Drive. www.guitarhouston.org or 281-367-9060
- Jan. 18 2, 3, & 4:00pm **River Oaks Chamber Orchestra** presents Peter and the Wolf in partnership with InterActive Theater Company at the Houston Zoo. Free with zoo admission. Brown Education Center Auditorium, 6200 Hermann Park Drive. www.rocohouston.org or 713-665-2700
- Jan. 18 6:00pm **Bach Society Houston** presents Calmus, a choral quintet from Leipzig, Germany. Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd. www.bachsocietyhouston.org or 713-400-0514
- Jan. 20 7:30pm **Chamber Music Houston** presents the Canadian Brass. "The world's most famous brass group" returns to Houston to perform an entertaining and diverse program. Stude Concert Hall, Rice University. www.chambermusicshouston.org or 713-348-5400
- Jan. 24 7:00pm **Cypress Symphony** presents "A String Potpourri" – conductor Jerry Hou leads music from America to Vienna, including the Mendelssohn Octet and Telemann's Viola Concerto. The Centrum, 6823 Cypresswood in Spring. www.CypressSymphony.org or 832-766-0529
- Jan. 24 8:00pm **Da Camera** presents The Romeros Guitar Quartet. Works of Vivaldi, Boccherini, de Falla, Villa Lobos, Albeniz and Celedonio Romero. Cullen Theater, Wortham Theater Center. www.dacamera.com or 713-524-5050
- Jan. 25 4:00pm **Context** presents Masters of French Baroque – the Houston debut of internationally known harpsichordist Paolo Bordignon, performing works by Couperin, Rameau, Du Phly, and Bach. Duncan Recital Hall, Rice University. www.musicincontext.org or 713-665-2620
- Jan. 25 4:00pm **Houston Chamber Choir** presents Hear the Future – 16th Annual Invitational High School Choral Festival. South Main Baptist Church, 4100 Main St. www.houstonchamberchoir.org or 713-224-5566
- Jan. 25 5:00pm **River Oaks Chamber Orchestra** presents ROCO Unchambered "Divas and Ballerinas" featuring violist Tawnya Popoff. Location details: www.rocohouston.org or 713-665-2700
- Jan. 27 7:30pm **Da Camera** presents From Dowland to Britten – Nicholas Phan, tenor; Eliot Fisk, guitar; William Walton's Anon in Love, songs of John Dowland, and works of Benjamin Britten. The Menil Collection, 1533 Sul Ross. www.dacamera.com or 713-524-5050
- Feb. 7 8:00pm **Da Camera** presents The Rauschenberg Project – world premiere of a commission from jazz pianist Jason Moran. Cullen Theater, Wortham Center. www.dacamera.com or 713-524-5050
- Feb. 8 6:00pm **Bach Society Houston** presents a chamber music concert with Mahan Esfahani, harpsichord. Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd. www.bachsocietyhouston.org or 713-400-0514.
- Feb. 10 7:30pm **Chamber Music Houston** presents Cantus – the nine-member vocal ensemble performs works from the Renaissance to the 21st century. Stude Concert Hall, Rice University. www.chambermusicshouston.org or 713-348-5400
- Feb. 10 7:30pm **Da Camera** presents the Houston debut of the Danish Quartet. Works of Haydn, Nielsen, and Beethoven. The Menil Collection, 1533 Sul Ross. www.dacamera.com or 713-524-5050
- Feb. 12 8:00pm **Aperio** presents Jumping the Groove - Funk, Jazz, and Blues in Modern American Music. Works by Copland, Adams, Bermel, Schoenfield, and others. Zilkha Hall, Hobby Center for the Performing Arts, 800 Bagby. www.aperioamericas.org
- Feb. 13 7:30pm **River Oaks Chamber Orchestra** presents Greater ROCO: Mutual Affection – Conductorless! Grace Presbyterian Church, 10221 Ella Lee Lane (Beltway 8 at Westheimer). www.rocohouston.org or 713-665-2700. **Repeats Feb. 14 at 5:00pm, Church of St. John the Divine**
- Feb. 13 8:00pm **Mercury** presents Handel's Water Music – one of the most elegant, recognizable and beloved works ever written. Cullen Theater, Wortham Center. www.MercuryHouston.org or 713-533-0080
- Feb. 14 7:30pm **Ars Lyrica** presents countertenor John Holiday and mezzo-soprano Ellie Shattles in "Love Letters" featuring music by Monteverdi, Vivaldi, and Scarlatti. Zilkha Hall, Hobby Center for the Performing Arts, 800 Bagby. www.arslyricahouston.org or 713-315-2525
- Feb. 14 3:00pm **Early Music Southwest** presents Songs of Love and Romance – 18th-century romantic music for Valentine's weekend, sung by Timothy Jones, baritone. MFAH Rienzi, 1406 Kirby Drive. www.mfah.org/visit/rienzi/ or 713-639-7800
- Feb. 15 3:00pm **Houston Early Music** presents the Renaissance ensemble Ciaramella – Make a Joyful Noise. First Ev. Lutheran Church, 1311 Holman St. www.houstonearlymusic.org or 281-846-4222
- Feb. 15 6:00pm **Bach Society Houston** presents works by Bach, Handel, Vivaldi, and Geminani as part of the Houston Early Music Festival. Ian Watson, conductor. Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd. at Greenbriar. www.bachsocietyhouston.org or 713-400-0514
- Feb. 20 8:00pm **Da Camera** presents pianist Jonathan Biss in a solo recital. Works of Berg, Schoenberg, Schumann, and Beethoven. Stude Concert Hall, Rice University. www.dacamera.com or 713-524-5050
- Feb. 20 8:00pm **Lone Star Lyric** presents a "Mardi Gras Cabaret" with a jazz trio, surprise cameos, and King Cake! For location and tickets, visit www.lonestarlyric.org. **Repeats Feb 21 and 22 – see website**
- Feb. 21 7:30pm **Houston Chamber Choir** presents Baltic Sea Change – music by Arvo Pärt and fellow composers from Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, led by world-renowned conductor Paul Hillier. South Main Baptist Church, 4100 Main St. www.houstonchamberchoir.org or 713-224-5566
- Feb. 22 4:00pm **Context** presents Chausson & Saint-Saëns – music by two of France's greatest Romantics, featuring the Piano Quartet by Ernest Chausson and Saint-Saëns' First Cello Sonata, on period instruments. Duncan Recital Hall, Rice University. www.musicincontext.org or 713-665-2620
- Feb. 22 4:00pm **Mercury** presents Laura Claycomb and David Daniels, two vocal superstars appearing for the first time together. Cullen Theater, Wortham Center. www.MercuryHouston.org or 713-533-0080
- Feb. 22 5:00pm **River Oaks Chamber Orchestra** presents ROCO Unchambered: Six Degrees of Tolstoy, featuring violinist Maureen Nelson. See www.rocohouston.org for location
- Feb. 26 6:30pm **MUSIQA** presents "Double Life," a free concert in conjunction with an exhibition. Contemporary Arts Museum Houston, 5216 Montrose. www.musiqhouston.org or 713-524-5678
- Feb. 28 8:00pm **VOX - The Rob Seible Singers** presents "Nostalgia for Our Youth" – The Beatles, Carpenters, Bacharach, Arlen, Simon & Garfunkel, and more! Ovations Night Club, 2536 Times Blvd. in Rice Village (limited seating). www.vox-rss.com. **Repeats March 1, 3:30pm**