

# The Houston Music Card

Chamber music and more!

November – December 2015

- Nov. 2 7:30pm **Houston Masterworks Chorus** presents Mendelssohn's Hymn of Praise (Lobgesang). First Presbyterian Church, 5300 Main Street [www.houstonmasterworks.org](http://www.houstonmasterworks.org) or 713-529-8900
- Nov. 6 7:00pm **Foundation for Modern Music** presents Through Roses, Mark Neikrug's powerful music drama on recollections of surviving Auschwitz. 14 Pews, 800 Aurora St. [www.modernmusic.org](http://www.modernmusic.org). Repeats Nov. 7 in Galveston and Nov. 8 4pm at First Unitarian Church, Houston – see website
- Nov. 6 8:00pm **Da Camera** presents jazz saxophonist Azar Lawrence's Love Supreme 50th-Anniversary Band. Wortham Center; Cullen Theater. [www.dacamera.com](http://www.dacamera.com) or 713-524-5050
- Nov. 8 3:00pm **Aperio** presents Gilded Twilight – Poetic Evocations of America's Victorian Age. Music by Copland, Persichetti, Ives, and Beach. Texas Gallery, 2012 Peden St. [www.aperioamericas.org](http://www.aperioamericas.org)
- Nov. 10 7:30pm **Chamber Music Houston** presents the Dover Quartet performing Dvorák, Berg, and Beethoven. Rice University, Stude Hall. [www.chambermusichouston.org](http://www.chambermusichouston.org) or 713-348-5400
- Nov. 12 7:30pm **ROCO** presents "Pacific Crossings" – East meets West in this program of music for Shakuuchi, oboe, and cello. Asia Society, 1370 Southmore. [www.rocohouston.org](http://www.rocohouston.org) or 713-665-2700
- Nov. 12 8:00pm **Da Camera** presents The Elias Quartet: Beethoven Perspectives. Wortham Center; Cullen Theater. [www.dacamera.com](http://www.dacamera.com) or 713-524-5050
- Nov. 13 8:00pm **Lone Star Lyric** presents a cabaret-style Veteran's Day salute with 1940s Big Band music. Caviart Gallery, 2337 Bissonnet. [www.lonestarlyric.org](http://www.lonestarlyric.org) or 917-414-9577. Repeats Nov. 15, 6pm
- Nov. 14 5:00pm **ROCO** presents Pacific Crossings – James Matheson's concerto featuring Japanese flutes used in Zen meditation, plus a Sibelius symphony. Composer talk at 4pm. Church of St. John the Divine, 2450 River Oaks Blvd. at Westheimer. [www.rocohouston.org](http://www.rocohouston.org) or 713-665-2700
- Nov. 14 7:30pm **Houston Chamber Choir** welcomes acclaimed guest-conductor Anton Armstrong to lead the choir in works by choral masters from Bach to today's leading composers. South Main Baptist Church, 4100 Main St. [www.houstonchamberchoir.org](http://www.houstonchamberchoir.org) or 713-224-5566
- Nov. 17 7:30pm **St. Cecilia Chamber Music Society** presents a Haydn's string quartet "The Sunrise," Op. 76, no. 4; and Stephen Hartke's piano quartet, "King of the Sun." St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 1805 W. Alabama. [www.stceciliachambermusichouston.org](http://www.stceciliachambermusichouston.org) or 713-331-0359
- Nov. 20 7:30pm **Ars Lyrica Houston** presents Charpentier's chamber opera Les arts florissants, plus works by Lully and Rameau, in collaboration with the New York Baroque Dance Company. Hobby Center; Zilkha Hall. [www.arslyricahouston.org](http://www.arslyricahouston.org) or 713-315-2525
- Nov. 21 8:00pm **Guitar Houston** presents the award-winning guitarists of Duo Melis playing a program featuring works of Granados, de Falla, Rameau, de Lhoyer, Piazzolla and Bogdanovic. Emerson Unitarian Universalist Church, 1900 Bering Dr. For ticket information, call 281-367-9060
- Nov. 21 8:00pm **Mercury** presents the Brahms Hungarian Dances and other romantic delights. Wortham Center; Cullen Theater. [www.MercuryHouston.org](http://www.MercuryHouston.org) or 713-533-0080
- Nov. 22 4:00pm **Context** presents Visionary Rachmaninoff – Russian Romantic music for piano, voice, and cello. Rice University; Duncan Recital Hall. [www.musicincontext.org](http://www.musicincontext.org)
- Nov. 22 4:00pm **Foundation for Modern Music** presents the 9th Annual Robert Avalon International Composers Competition winners. First Unitarian Church, 5200 Fannin. [www.modernmusic.org](http://www.modernmusic.org)
- Nov. 22 5:00pm **ROCO** presents Messiaen's "Quartet for the End of Time" with clarinetist Maiko Sasaki. Midtown Arts & Theater Center, 3400 Main Street. [www.rocohouston.org](http://www.rocohouston.org) or 713-665-2700
- Nov. 28 and 29 **Mercury** presents Vivaldi's Christmas Concerto and selected arias, plus traditional carols of the season. Memorial area and The Woodlands (see [www.MercuryHouston.org](http://www.MercuryHouston.org)) 713-533-0080
- Dec. 3 and 4 **MUSIQA** presents free morning concerts for middle-school students at The Hobby Center. Reservations: 713-315-2428 (not open to the public). [www.musiqahouston.org](http://www.musiqahouston.org)
- Dec. 3 and 5 **Mercury** presents Vivaldi's Christmas Concerto and selected arias, plus traditional carols of the season. Midtown and Museum District (see [www.MercuryHouston.org](http://www.MercuryHouston.org)) 713-533-0080
- Dec. 5 7:30pm **Houston Chamber Choir** presents Britten's St. Nicolas cantata, with children's choir and orchestra. South Main Baptist, 4100 Main St. [www.houstonchamberchoir.org](http://www.houstonchamberchoir.org) or 713-224-5566
- Dec. 5 7:30pm **Houston Choral Society** presents its annual Christmas concert at Foundry United Methodist Church, 8350 Jones Rd. near Hwy. 290. Tickets: [www.houstonchoral.org](http://www.houstonchoral.org)
- Dec. 5 7:30pm **Houston Early Music** presents Chatham Baroque in a Christmas program featuring music of Spain and the New World, with vocalists, plucked instruments, and percussion. Christ Church Cathedral, 1117 Texas Ave. [www.houstonearlymusic.org](http://www.houstonearlymusic.org) or 281-846-4222
- Dec. 5 7:30pm **VOX-The Rob Seible Singers** presents A Christmas VOX – Houston composer Roger Keele's cantata "Jesus, Royal Bridegroom," plus contemporary seasonal music in the vocal jazz idiom. St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 1805 W. Alabama. [www.vox-rss.com](http://www.vox-rss.com)
- Dec. 5 8:00pm **Da Camera** presents the Thelonious Monk Competition-winning jazz saxophonist Melissa Aldana. Wortham Center; Cullen Theater. [www.dacamera.com](http://www.dacamera.com) or 713-524-5050
- Dec. 6 3:00pm **Houston Choral Society** and the Rosehill School Choir present a family-oriented celebration of the season featuring "Believe" from Disney's Polar Express, "Welcome Christmas" from Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas. Purchase tickets at [www.houstonchoral.org](http://www.houstonchoral.org).
- Dec. 8 7:30pm **Chamber Music Houston** presents the Chiara String Quartet performing Ravel, Bartók, and Brahms. Rice University, Stude Hall. [www.chambermusichouston.org](http://www.chambermusichouston.org) or 713-348-5400
- Dec. 8 7:30pm **Da Camera** presents Inner Worlds: Schumann, Liebermann and Rilke. The Menil Collection, 1533 Sul Ross. [www.dacamera.com](http://www.dacamera.com) or 713-524-5050
- Dec. 9 7:30pm **WindSync** presents a Holiday Concert and Party at the Alley Theatre's 14th-floor Boardroom, 615 Texas Avenue. Tickets available at [windsync.org](http://windsync.org)
- Dec. 12 and 13, 3:30, 7:30 **Houston Chamber Choir** presents Christmas at the Villa – a Houston Chamber Choir holiday tradition, with the Treble Choir of Houston at the matinee performances. Chapel of the Villa de Matel, 6510 Lawndale. [www.houstonchamberchoir.org](http://www.houstonchamberchoir.org) or 713-224-5566
- Dec. 12 7:30pm **Houston Cecilia Chamber Choir** presents A Christmas Pops Concert. Grace Presbyterian Church, 10221 Ella Lee Lane at Beltway 8. [www.houstoncecilia.org](http://www.houstoncecilia.org) or 281-486-5052
- Dec. 12 8:00pm **Mercury** presents a period-instrument performance of Handel's complete Messiah. Wortham Center; Cullen Theater. [www.MercuryHouston.org](http://www.MercuryHouston.org) or 713-533-0080
- Dec. 13 6:00pm **Bach Society Houston** presents an Advent Vespers with the Bach Choir and Mercury, featuring Bach's Advent cantata 140, Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme. First Lutheran Church, 1311 Holman St. in Midtown. [www.bachsocietyhouston.org](http://www.bachsocietyhouston.org) or 713-400-0514
- Dec. 14 7:00pm **Houston Masterworks Chorus** presents The Many Moods of Christmas, Anders Öhrwall's Gaudete, and choruses from Handel's Messiah (performed as a sing-along). Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, 1111 St. Joseph Pkwy. [www.houstonmasterworks.org](http://www.houstonmasterworks.org) or 713-529-8900
- Dec. 19, 20, 21 **Cantare Houston** presents its annual holiday concert – "Tonight, Eternity Alone" 7:30pm at Museum of Fine Arts (Beck Building), 5601 Main St. [www.cantarehouston.org](http://www.cantarehouston.org) or 713-724-9648
- Dec. 27 11:00am **Lone Star Lyric** presents their cabaret-style twist on festive carols and favorites of the holiday season, with a jazz band. First Methodist Church, 1320 Main St. [www.lonestarlyric.org](http://www.lonestarlyric.org)
- Dec. 31 8:00pm **Energy Corridor of Houston Orchestra** presents a New Year's Eve concert followed by a party at the Holiday Inn Houston-West Energy Corridor. Pre-concert dinner and 1:30 a.m. breakfast buffet, plus special room rates available. [www.ECHOchestra.org](http://www.ECHOchestra.org)
- Dec. 31 9:30pm **Ars Lyrica** presents a stylish New Year's Eve event featuring Vivaldi and Handel. Pre-concert dinner, post-concert Champagne gala at Zilkha Hall also available – see [www.arslyricahouston.org](http://www.arslyricahouston.org)