Community School of Music and Arts Presents

The Complete Piano Sonatas of Beethoven, Part 6

Performed by Axel Schmitt on September 5

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA – Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA) presents The Complete Piano Sonatas of Beethoven, Part 6 performed by pianist and CSMA faculty member Axel Schmitt on Saturday, September 5 at 7:30pm. The concert will be live-streamed on CSMA’s YouTube channel. Go here to set a reminder for the event now: https://youtu.be/Ee98LBVPLlU.

The evening’s program will include:
Sonata Op. 54 F Major
Sonata Op. 57 F Minor “Appassionata”
Sonata Op. 78 F-sharp Major
Sonata Op. 79 G Major
Sonata Op. 81a E-flat Major “Les Adieux”

This is the sixth in a series of eight concerts leading up to the 250th anniversary of Beethoven’s birth. Beethoven wrote his 32 piano sonatas between 1795 and 1822. As a set, they are known to comprise one of the most important collections of works in the history of music. See Axel Schmitt’s September 2019 performance of The Complete Piano Sonatas of Beethoven, Part 5 here and learn about his performance process on the Arts4All blog.

Axel Schmitt has performed as a concerto soloist, recitalist and chamber-musician throughout the United States, Europe and Russia. Press reviews describe him as “a great pianistic talent” of an “amazing artistic range with a singing sound quality, tasteful power, noblesse, and calmness.” Born in Germany, Schmitt received his Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Piano Performance as a student of the renowned Russian pianist Vitaly Margulis at the University of California, Los Angeles. He also earned a Master of Music from UCLA. He has won numerous competitions including the Los Angeles Liszt Competition, the national German competition Jugend musiziert and the UCLA Concerto Competition. In 2007, the United States government declared him an artist of extraordinary ability and granted him permanent residency. He has been a part of the CSMA faculty since 2010.

Founded in 1968, the Community School of Music and Arts is Northern California’s largest non-profit provider of arts education programs. With a $6 million budget and 160-member staff and faculty, CSMA is one of the ten largest community schools in the United States. Located in the heart of Silicon Valley, CSMA is dedicated to making the arts and arts education accessible to all, regardless of age, experience, background or financial means.
This event is part of CSMA’s 2020-2021 Community Concert Series. In keeping with CSMA’s mission to provide Arts for All, Community Concerts are free and open to the public. CSMA provides unique music and visual arts programming and events for audiences of all ages and backgrounds.

The Community Concert Series is supported by the Applied Materials Foundation and the Los Altos Community Foundation. The official media sponsor for the series is Classical KDFC radio. For a full Community Concert Series schedule, visit www.arts4all.org. For artist interviews and hi-res images, please contact Erin Brownfield, Director of Marketing at 650-917-6800, ext 305 or ebrownfield@arts4all.org

EVENT CALENDAR INFORMATION:

WHAT: The Complete Piano Sonatas of Beethoven, Part 6 Performed by Axel Schmitt
WHERE: CSMA’s YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/user/CSMAMV
WHEN: Saturday, September 5, 7:30 pm
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