



ISHAY SHAER

CONSIDERED ONE OF THE LEADING ISRAELI PIANISTS OF HIS GENERATION

"Once again Shaer 'walked over' the keys of the piano and enchanted us with tones that taste like violets - flowers of eternal spring"

— Ludwig Van Mechelen, "Klassiek Centraal", Belgium, May 2013

SUNDAY DECEMBER 8, 2013 3PM HELICONIAN HALL 35 HAZELTON AVE

Tickets can be ordered at www.syrinxconcerts.ca or via 416-654-0877

What a privilege and a joy to have Ishay Shaer perform again for Syrinx, he will perform the opening concert December 8 for the 2013/14 season. Ishay is considered one of the leading Israeli pianists of his generation; He has performed in numerous concerts throughout the world and has won both national and international prizes. At the end of his first concert for Syrinx, in 2012 everyone jumped up with loud bravos begging for encores. We are delighted he has returned to perform for Syrinx Concerts Toronto.

Ishay Shaer will play a reflection of his next CD "Beethoven's Six Bagatelles Op. 126 and Eleven Op. 119" to be recorded at the Glen Gould Studio directly after this performance; *Beethoven wrote about the 6 Bagatelles, Op. 126, in a letter to his publisher, "Six bagatelles, or "little things", for piano alone, many of them are the most worked out, and probably the best of the type, that he has yet written"* along with two Beethoven's Sonatas; Sonata No. 28 in A Op. 101 Sonata No. 30 in E major, Op. 109. Mr. Shaer will also perform Somers Piano Sonata #1. In 1949 a \$2000 Canadian Amateur Hockey Association scholarship afforded Somers a year in Paris with Darius Milhaud, which began a lifelong career as a composer. Somers is one of Canada's most important composers.

Ishay Shaer www.ishayshaer.com has given recitals and concerto performances at the Queen Elizabeth Hall and the Purcell Room, UK; Warsaw Philharmonic Hall, Poland; deSingel Antwerp, Belgium; Sala Sinfonica Pablo Casals, Puerto Rico; Preston Bradley Hall in Chicago in the USA; and Teatro Solis, Uruguay. His performances include broadcasts in radio stations in the USA, Switzerland, Scotland, Spain, South Africa and Israel, as well as concerts for the Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concert Series, Sociedad Filarmónica de Lima (Peru), Sion Festival in Switzerland, Swansea Festival of Music and Arts in the UK, "Semanas Musicales" de Frutillar in Chile, Dimitria Festival in Greece and Israel Festival. He will perform recitals in Canada, the UK (Nottingham Concert Hall), France, the Netherlands, Italy, Switzerland (with clarinetist Fabio di Casola) and Poland (Gdnask Music Festival).

Throughout the years, Mr. Shaer has been supported by prestigious organizations, such as the America-Israel Cultural Foundation and the Swiss Orpheum Foundation, being included in its promotion programme for young soloists.

His acclaimed debut CD (with Chopin's third sonata, Ravel's Gaspard de la Nuit and Schumann Etudes Symphoniques) has been broadcast, on major radio station in Europe and North America since its release in 2008.



At the end of each concert we invite the audience to stay and talk about the music at a post-concert reception carrying on the conversation between the audience and musicians after the performance.

Single Tickets are \$25 for General Admission or Student price of \$20.

Grandioso Subscription tickets are \$125 for all six concerts or the Rondo Subscription tickets are \$65 for any three concerts of your choice in the series.

Single tickets and subscriptions can be reserved by phone; 416-654-0877

Orders can be sent by mail to: Syrinx Concerts Toronto 135 Arlington Avenue, Toronto, Ontario M6C 2Y9.

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SYRINX CONCERT TORONTO PRESENTS

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Sunday December 8, 2013 3:00PM at Heliconian Hall 35 Hazelton Ave

PROGRAM

Sommers Piano Sonata #1 (1945)

Beethoven Eleven Bagatelles Op. 119 (1803)

Beethoven Six Bagatelles Op. 126 (1825)

Sonata No. 28 in A Op. 101 (1814)

Sonata No. 30 in E major, Op. 109 (1820)

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