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Guest Artist Recital

R. Kent Cook, Piano

Debussy: Complete Préludes for the Piano

Center for the Performing Arts
October 17, 2006
Tuesday Evening
8:00 p.m.

This is the twenty-fourth program of the 2006-2007 season.

## Program

Please turn off cell phones and pagers for the duration of the concert. Thank You.

#### Préludes Book I (1910)

Claude Debussy (1862-1918)

Danseuses de Delphes (Dancers of Delphi) Voiles (Sails)

Le vent dans la plaine (The Wind over the Plains)

Les sons et les parfums tournent dans l'air du soir

(Sounds and Perfumes Mingle in the Evening Air)

Les collines d'Anacapri (The Hills of Anacapri)

Des pas sur la neige (Footprints in the Snow)

Ce qu'a vu le vent d'Ouest (What the West Wind Saw)

La fille aux cheveux de lin (The Girl with the Flaxen Hair)

La sérénade interrompue (The Interrupted Serenade)

La Cathédrale engloutie (The Sunken Cathedral)

La danse de Puck (Puck's dance)

Minstrels

### ~ Intermission ~

#### Préludes Book II (1913)

Brouillards (Fog)

Feuilles mortes (Dead Leaves)

La Puerta del Vino (The Gate of Wine)

Les fées sont d'exquises danseuses (The Fairies are Exquisite Dancers)

Bruyères (Heather)

General Lavine—Eccentric

La terrasse des audiences du clair de lune

(The Terrace for Moonlight Audiences)

Ondine

Hommage à S. Pickwick Esq. P. P. M. P. C.

Canope (Canopic Urn)

Les tierces alternées (Alternating Thirds)

Feux d'artifice (Fireworks)

## About the Artist ....



Dr. R. Kent Cook is Associate Professor of Piano at Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington, Illinois. He keeps an active performing schedule as soloist and chamber musician and has appeared in many venues around the United States and abroad with performances in Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, England, France, and Italy. In the Midwest, he has performed recently in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, and Ohio.

R. Kent Cook hails from Odessa, Texas where he began to play the piano at age six. He attended Baylor University to pursue a career in dentistry, but soon abandoned that goal to begin serious study of the piano. After finishing a Piano Performance Degree with honors under the guidance of Roger Keyes, he continued his studies at Indiana University receiving both a Masters and Doctorate in Piano Performance while working with Leonard Hokanson, Michel Block, James Tocco, and Karen Shaw. In 1992-93, he also studied with Herbert Seidel as a Fulbright Scholar at the Hochschule für Musik in Frankfurt, Germany.

Dr. Cook joined the piano faculty at Illinois Wesleyan University in 1999, has since become very active in the region as an adjudicator and has taught numerous master classes for a variety of schools and organizations throughout the Midwest. In January of 2002, Cook released his first compact disc recording on the Novitas label. It is entitled *Nachtstücke* and is a recording of 12 Nocturnes by 7 different composers including Chopin, Liszt, and Schumann.

Before teaching at IWU, he was on the piano faculty at DePauw University in Greencastle, Indiana. During the summer he teaches at the Illinois Chamber Music Festival, and has taught at the Indiana University Piano Academy, and the Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp.

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## Upcoming Events

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	21	HS	All Day	$41^\pi$ Annual State of Illinois Invitational Marching Band Contest
	22	CPA	3:00 p.m.	Gold Series: Illinois State University Symphony Orchestra, Concert Choir & Civic Chorale
	23	CPA	7:30 p.m.	Guest Artist Series: Andrew Zohn, guitar
	24	KRH	11:00 a.m.	Convocation (TBA) *
	24	CPA	8:00 p.m.	Charles W. Bolen Faculty Recital Series: Faculty Jazz Ensemble
	25	KRH	8:00 p.m.	Graduate Recital, David Hinners, guitar*
	26	KRH	8:00 p.m.	Charles W. Bolen Faculty Recital Series: Faculty String Quartet *
	27	CPA	7:00 p.m.	Phantom of the Opera
	28	KRH	2:30 p.m.	Senior Recital, Jessica Stiller, mezzo soprano
	28	KRH	3:30 p.m.	Senior Recital, Rachel Ventress, mezzo soprano *
	28	ВА	7:30 p.m.	Bandarama
	29	CPA	2:00 p.m.	Madrigal Singers & Early Music Ensemble
	30	CPA	8:00 p.m.	Halloween Concert Jazz Ensembles I & II
	31	KRH	I I:00 a.m.	Halloween Convocation Recital*
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	01	KRH	7:30 p.m.	Guitar Ensemble and Friends *
	03	KRH	8:00 p.m.	Opera Practicum *
	04	KRH	Noon	Senior Recital, Nika Plattos, mezzo soprano *
	04	KRH	1:00 p.m.	Junior Recital, Blake Long, tenor *
	04	KRH	2:30 p.m.	Senior Recital, Cristina Bueno, mezzo soprano *
	04	KRH	4:00 p.m.	Senior Recital, Kimberly Owens, soprano *

#### \* indicates free admission

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KRH - Kemp Recital Hall

CPA - Center for the Performing Arts

BA - Braden Auditorium, BSC

HS - Hancock Stadium

WUMC - Wesley United Methodist Church

8:00 p.m. Opera Practicum \*