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- Jon Robertson, dean

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# LYNN Conservatory of Music

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Master of Music Recital Yvonne Lee Sooi Cheen, Violin Sheng-Yuan Kuan, Piano Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall Boca Raton, Fla.

Violin Sonata in D Major, Op. 9 No. 3

Adagio molto maestoso Allegro Sarabanda. Largo Tambourin. Allegro vivace

Violin Sonata No.4 in A Minor, Op. 23

Presto Andante scherzoso, piu Allegretto Allegro molto Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Jean Marie Leclair

(1697-1764)

**INTERMISSION** 

Sonata for Solo Violin No.4 in E Minor, Op. 27 (Dedicated to Fritz Kreisler)

Allemanda. Lento maestoso

Eugène Ysaÿe (1858-1931)

Violin Sonata No.1 in D Minor, Op. 75

Allegro agitato - Adagio

Allegro moderato – Allegro molto

Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

## **BIOGRAPHY**

Born in Malaysia, Yvonne Lee Sooi Cheen pursued her musical education at the Singapore's Yong Siew Toh Conservatory of Music (YSTCM) with Mr. Ng Yu-Ying, where she was awarded a full scholarship for her Bachelor of Music Degree. Yvonne enjoys both orchestral and chamber music. She was one of the founding members of the Malaysian Philharmonic Youth Orchestra and also has performed several projects with the Singapore's Metropolitan Festival Orchestra. In the YST Conservatory Orchestra, she has had the opportunity to perform under the baton of many esteemed conductors including Robert Spano, Eiji Oue, Gábor Takacs-Nagy, and Thierry Fischer. As a chamber musician, she has performed in several concerts and masterclasses with her conservatory quartet for Takács Quartet, Julliard String Quartet, Miró Quartet and Shmuel Ashkenasi among others. As a member of the Mipmik Quartet in the Lynn Conservatory, they were the prizewinners in the annual Lyric Chamber Music Society of New York Chamber Competition 2015 at Lynn Conservatory and was featured in the Mainly Mozart Festival in its 2016 Season. Yvonne is currently a student of Carol Cole, pursuing her Master's Degree at the Lynn Conservatory of Music.

Pianist Sheng-Yuan Kuan has performed at the Kennedy Center, Weill Recital Hall, Taiwan National Concert Hall, and Musikverein in Vienna. She is a featured artist at the Heifetz International Music Institute, KUAF/Fulbright Summer Chamber Music Festival, Baltimore Symphony Orchestra's Chamber Music by Candlelight series, and the Sylvia Adalman Chamber Concert Series at Peabody Conservatory. Tim Smith of the Baltimore Sun praised Ms. Kuan as "(having) admirable technical finesse and expressive flair at the piano." Ms. Kuan has collaborated with famed musicians such as Nobuko Imai, Stefan Jackiw, Espen Lilleslatten, Richard Stolzman, KengYuen Tseng, Time for Three, and members of the Borromeo and Parker Quartets and Apollo Trio. She also made appearances at music festivals such as Bowdoin, Aria, Sarasota, Yellow Barn, Gijon Piano Festival and Norfolk Summer Music Festival. Ms. Kuan has received accolades from many competitions, including the 13th Beethoven Piano Competition in Vienna (Best Female Pianist Award, 2009), the 12th Taipei Chopin International Piano Competition (3rd Prize, 2008), Corpus Christi International Competition in Texas (2nd Prize, 2008), and New York Kosciuszko Chopin Piano Competition (3rd Prize, 2003). She was also the recipient of Honolulu Morning Music Club Scholarship, Peabody Conservatory's Career Development Grant, Chamber Music Awards and Accompanying Assistantship. Currently serving as the collaborative pianist at Lynn University, Ms. Kuan holds degrees from the Yale School of Music and the Manhattan School of Music. She is a candidate of the Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the Peabody Conservatory under the guidance of Professor Boris Slutsky. Her teachers have included Peter Frankl, Scott McCarrey and the late Constance Keene.