

# LYNN

Conservatory of Music

## 2018-2019 Season



Welcome to the 2018-2019 season. The talented students and extraordinary faculty of the Lynn Conservatory of Music take this opportunity to share with you the beautiful world of music. Your ongoing support ensures our place among the premier conservatories of the world and a staple of our community.

- Jon Robertson, dean

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Lynn University's Friends of the Conservatory of Music is a volunteer organization that supports high-quality music education through fundraising and community outreach. Raising more than \$2 million since 2003, the Friends support Lynn's effort to provide free tuition scholarships and room and board to all Conservatory of Music students. The group also raises money for the Dean's Discretionary Fund, which supports the immediate needs of the university's music performance students. This is accomplished through annual gifts and special events, such as outreach concerts and the annual Gingerbread Holiday Concert.

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The Leadership Society is the premier annual giving society for donors who are committed to ensuring a standard of excellence at Lynn for all students. Leadership Society donors make an annual gift of \$2,500 or more and have the option of directing their gift to support the Conservatory of Music. Leadership Society donors receive invitations to exclusive events throughout the year that offer opportunities to engage with other Leadership Society donors and university administrators.

#### Planned Giving

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Your contribution to the Conservatory is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. For additional information, please contact Lisa Miller at 561-237-7745.

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## Yordan Tenev, violin Professional Performance Certificate Recital Sheng-Yuan Kuan, piano Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall Boca Raton, Florida

### Violin Sonata in E Major, HWV 373

*Adagio*  
*Allegro*  
*Largo*  
*Allegro*

**G. F. Handel**  
(1685-1759)

### Sonata for Violin and Piano

*Allegro*  
*Andantino*  
*Lento*  
*Allegro*

**J. Corigliano**  
(b. 1938)

Intermission

### *Sinfonia Concertante* for Violin and Viola *III. Presto*

**W.A. Mozart**  
(1756-1791)

Featuring  
Katherine Baloff, violin

### Song from "Bulgarian Suite"

**P. Vladigerov**  
(1899-1978)

### Vardar – Bulgarian Rhapsody, Op.16

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## **Yordan Tenev, violin**

Born in Plovdiv, Bulgaria, Yordan Tenev began studying the violin at age 6 in the "Dobrin Petkov" music school in his home town under the guidance of Prof. Darina Dankova. There he appeared in many concerts and recitals with his twin brother Delcho, also a violinist. Yordan moved to California when he was 13 where he received a full scholarship to study with Prof. Todor Pelev at the prestigious Idyllwild Arts Academy. He went on to study at Louisiana State University and later Indiana University, Bloomington with Prof. Kevork Mardirossian. Yordan has attended numerous festivals in the US and Europe, including Spoleto Festival in South Carolina, Round Top Festival in Texas, AIMS in Austria and the Aldeburgh World Orchestra, with which he performed in the Royal Concertgebouw in Amsterdam as well as in Royal Alberts Hall in London, as part of the 2012 BBC Proms. In 2015, his quintet won first prize in the Lyric Chamber Music Society of New York competition which included a formal concert in New York City. He has appeared in master classes with such violinists as Paul Kantor, Ilya Kaler, Ruggiero Ricci, Schmucl Ashkenazy, Ivan Zenaty, and Joel Smirnoff. Yordan is currently working towards his Professional Performance degree at the Lynn University Conservatory in Boca Raton, FL with Prof. Carol Cole.

## **Sheng-Yuan Kuan, piano**

Praised for her "admirable technical finesse and expressive flair" (*Baltimore Sun*), pianist Sheng-Yuan Kuan has garnered enthusiastic receptions for her solo and chamber music performances at the Kennedy Center, Weill Recital Hall, Taiwan National Concert Hall, Musikverein in Vienna, and various music festivals and concert series throughout the US. Sheng-Yuan's collaborations with renowned musicians such as Nobuko Imai, Stefan Jackiw, Stephen Taylor, Espen Lilleslatten, Richard Stolzman, Keng-Yuen Tseng, Chad Hoopes, members of the Parker Quartet and Apollo Trio, Sir Angel Romero, Time for Three, and Latin Grammy Award winning flautist Nestor Torres, reflect her passion in making chamber music of eclectic styles. Born in Taipei, Taiwan, Sheng-Yuan relocated to America to further her music education. She holds a D.M.A. degree from the Peabody Conservatory, M.M. degree from Yale School of Music, and B.M. degree from the Manhattan School of Music, studying with famous pedagogues like Boris Slutsky, Peter Frankl, Scott McCarrey and Constance Keene. She serves as piano faculty at the Heifetz International Music Institute as well as staff collaborative pianist and adjunct keyboard instructor at Lynn University Conservatory of Music in Boca Raton, FL.

## **Katherine Baloff, violin**

Originally from Cherry Hill, NJ, a suburb of Philadelphia, Katherine began playing the violin at age 10. Since then she has enjoyed serving as concertmaster and in the violin section of numerous orchestras in Philadelphia, Chicago and Florida where her playing was described by the Palm Beach Arts Paper as "lovely, poised and accomplished". Katherine currently serves as a section violinist with the Sarasota Orchestra and the Southwest Florida Symphony Orchestra and subs regularly with the Jacksonville Symphony. She has performed at prominent summer music festivals in Italy, New York, Colorado, Philadelphia, St. Augustine, St. Louis, and Kansas and serves as Artist Faculty at the Dali Quartet International Music Festival in Philadelphia. Also an avid chamber musician, her string quartet won first prize in the 2016 Lyric Chamber Music Society of New York competition and gave their New York City debut concert in May 2017. In 2008, Katherine made her solo debut at age 15 performing Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto with the NJ Ocean City Pops Orchestra and has since appeared as soloist with various other orchestras including a recent performance of Vivaldi's Winter from the Four Seasons with the Dali International Festival Orchestra. In 2010 she was awarded the NJ Governor's Award in Arts and Education and the same year, the mayor of Cherry Hill proclaimed April 12th "Katherine Baloff Day" in honor of her musical achievements and contributions to the community. Katherine is currently finishing a Professional Performance Certificate in violin performance at the Lynn Conservatory of Music in Boca Raton, Florida with Tchaikovsky International Competition winner Elmar Oliveira, with whom she also completed her Master's Degree. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in violin performance from DePaul University's School of Music in Chicago, where she studied with Ilya Kaler. Katherine also enjoys teaching private violin students at Lynn Conservatory's Preparatory School. She currently plays on a 2004 Benjamin Ruth violin.