## KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MUSIC

## **Guest Artist Recital**

## Ning An, piano



Monday, February 6, 2017 at 8 pm Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center, Morgan Hall Seventy-ninth Concert of the 2016-17 Concert Season



# program

FRÉDÉRIC CHOPIN (1810-1849)

24 Preludes, Op. 28 (1835-1839)

No. 1 in C Major (Agitato)

No. 2 in A minor (Lento)

No. 3 in G Major (Vivace)

No. 4 in E minor (Largo)

No. 5 in D Major (Molto allegro)

No. 6 in B minor (Lento assai)

No. 7 in A Major (Andantino)

No. 8 in F-sharp minor (Molto agitato)

No. 9 in E Major (*Largo*)

No. 10 in C-sharp minor (Molto allegro)

No. 11 in B Major (Vivace)

No. 12 in G-sharp minor (Presto)

No. 13 in F-sharp Major (Lento)

No. 14 in E-flat minor (Allegro)

No. 15 in D-flat Major (Sostenuto)

No. 16 in B-flat minor (Presto con fuoco)

No. 17 in A-flat Major (Allegretto)

No. 18 in F minor (*Molto allegro*)

No. 19 in E-flat Major (Vivace)

No. 20 in C minor (Largo)

No. 21 in B-flat Major (Cantabile)

No. 22 in G minor (Molto agitato)

No. 23 in F Major (*Moderato*)

No. 24 in D minor (Allegro appassionato)

INTERMISSION

### SERGEI RACHMANINOFF (1873-1943)

Prelude in D Major, Op. 23, No. 4, (Andante cantabile) (1903)

Prelude in G minor, Op. 23, No. 5 (Alla marcia) (1901)

Prelude in B minor, Op. 32, No 10 (*Lento*) (1910)

Prelude in G sharp minor, Op. 32, No. 12 (Allegro) (1910)

### NIKOLAI KAPUSTIN (b. 1937)

### 24 Preludes in Jazz Style, Op. 53 (1988)

No. 1

No. 3

No. 4

No. 9

No. 17

#### NIKOLAI KAPUSTIN

### Eight Concert Etudes for piano, Op. 40 (1984)

No. 3 in E minor (*Toccatina*)

# about the musician

Ning An is a rare pianist who has been hailed as a musician who "combines a flawless technique and mastery of the instrument with an expressive power that is fueled by profound and insightful understanding" (New York Concert Review). His top prizes from the Queen Elizabeth, Cleveland, and William Kapell Piano Competitions led to performances from Carnegie's Weill Recital Hall, Salle Verdi (Milan), to the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, China. He has been invited to perform at numerous festivals, including the International Chopin Festival in Duszinski, Poland, the Gina Bachauer Piano Festival in Salt Lake City, New Hampshire's Monadnock Music Festival, the Bourglinster Festival in Luxembourg, and the Interlaken Music Festival in Switzerland. A passionate chamber musician as well as soloist, Mr. An has performed with distinguished groups such as the Ysaye, Daedalus, and Takacs Quartets as well as instrumentalists James Ehnes, Paul Neubauer, and Andres Diaz.

Since making his orchestral debut at the age of 16 with the Cleveland Orchestra, Mr. An has been a featured soloist with orchestras such as the London Symphony Orchestra, Moscow Radio Symphony Orchestra, Baltimore Symphony, the Stuttgart Philharmonic, Tivoli Symphony Orchestra, the Belgian National Symphony, the Flemish Radio Symphony, and many more under the batons of conductors such as Vladimir Fedosseyev, Jorg-Peter Weigle, Rafael Fruhbeck de Burgos, etc. Mr. An was also a featured soloist on the 100th Anniversary American tour made by the Warsaw Philharmonic and Maestro Kazimierz Kord.

In recent years Mr. An has increased his travels to Asia as he made his solo debuts in the National Grand Theatre in Beijing as well the major concert halls of Shanghai, Guanzhou and Shenzhen. Recent concerto appearances have included the National Symphony Orchestra of Taiwan as well as the Guangzhou and Shenzhen Symphony Orchestras.

Ning An has also been a top prize winner of the Paloma O'Shea Santander Competition, the Tivoli International Piano Competition, the Rachmaninoff International Piano Competition, the National Chopin Competition, the American Pianist Association and the Alfred Cortot Prize winner of the International Chopin Piano Competition.

Mr. An began his musical studies at the Cleveland Institute of Music with Olga Radosavljevich and Sergei Babayan. Subsquently, Mr. An continued his studies under the tutelage of Russell Sherman at the New England Conservatory of Music.

A frequent guest lecturer, Mr. An has given masterclasses throughout the United States and Asia. Currently he serves as the Artist-Teacher on the piano faculty of California State University Fullerton as well as a visiting artist at Lee University in Tennessee.

#### **Music Education**

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#### Woodwinds

Robert Cronin, Flute
Todd Skitch, Flute
Christina Smith, Flute
Cecilia Price, Flute, Chamber Music
Shelly Myers, Oboe
Elizabeth Koch Tiscione, Oboe
John Warren, Clarinet, Chamber Music
Andrew Brady, Bassoon
Sam Skelton, Saxophone
Luke Weathington, Saxophone

#### **Brass & Percussion**

Doug Lindsey, Trumpet, Chamber Music Mike Tiscione, Trumpet Anna Dodd, Horn Jason Eklund, Horn Tom Gibson, Trombone Nathan Zgonc, Trombone Brian Hecht, Bass Trombone Martin Cochran, Euphonium Paul Dickinson, Tuba / Euphonium Bernard Flythe, Tuba / Euphonium John Lawless. Percussion

#### Strings

Helen Kim, Violin
Kenn Wagner, Violin
Justin Bruns, Chamber Music
Catherine Lynn, Viola
Paul Murphy, Viola
Charae Krueger, Cello
James Barket, Double Bass
Joseph McFadden, Double Bass
Elisabeth Remy Johnson, Harp
Mary Akerman, Classical Guitar

#### Voice

Stephanie Adrian Jessica Jones Eileen Moremen Oral Moses Leah Partridge Valerie Walters Todd Wedge Jana Young

#### Piano

Judith Cole, *Collaborative Piano* Julie Coucheron Robert Henry John Marsh, *Class Piano* Soohyun Yun

#### Jazz

Justin Chesarek, Jazz Percussion Wes Funderburk, Jazz Trombone, Jazz Ensembles Tyrone Jackson, Jazz Piano Marc Miller, Jazz Bass Sam Skelton, Jazz Ensembles Rob Opitz, Jazz Trumpet Trey Wright, Jazz Guitar, Jazz Combos

#### **Ensembles & Conductors**

Leslie J. Blackwell, Choral Activities
Alison Mann, Choral Activities
Cory Meals, University Band,
Marching Band
Oral Moses, Gospel Choir
Eileen Moremen, Opera
Nathaniel Parker, Symphony Orchestra
Christopher Thibdeau, Philharmonic
Orchestra
Debra Traficante, Wind Symphony,
Marching Band
David T. Kehler, Wind Ensemble

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#### **Ensembles in Residence**

Atlanta Percussion Trio
KSU Faculty Jazz Parliament
Georgia Youth Symphony Orchestra
and Chorus
KSU Faculty Chamber Players
KSU Faculty String Trio
KSU Community and Alumni Choir

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I look forward to a long and rewarding relationship with you. With your continued support of music and the arts, there is nothing that we cannot accomplish together!

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