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FACULTY RECITAL

Charis Dimaras, piano

Hockett Family Recital Hall Monday, November 16, 2009 7:00 pm



Piano Sonata in A-flat Major, HobXVI/46 (c1788)

Allegro moderato

Adagio Finale: Presto

Piano Sonata in C Major, HobXVI/48 (c1789)

Andante con espressione Rondo: Presto

PAUSE

Piano Sonata No. 23 in f minor, Op. 57, Ludwig van Beethoven "Appassionata" (c1804–5) (1770-1827)

Allegro assai Andante con moto Allegro ma non troppo

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PROGRAM

Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809 Greek international concert pianist and conductor Charis Dimaras has presented numerous solo recitals, has collaborated in chamber music concerts, and has been featured as soloist with orchestras throughout Europe, Turkey, Russia, Brazil, and the USA. He has been the recipient of numerous awards and prizes (among them, the British Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music Award, the Alexandros S. Onasis Beneficiary Foundation Scholarship and the International Richard-Wagner-Foundation Scholarship), has been featured on NY's WQXR, on several Dutch, Italian and Greek radio stations, and on Greek national television. He has recorded works by Franck, Bartok, Prokofiev and Stravinsky. His latest CD featuring piano works by contemporary Greek composers D. Mitropoulos and Y. Sicilianos is due for release in the fall of 2009.

Dr. Dimaras, who holds degrees in piano performance from the Royal College of Music in London and from New York's Juilliard School and Manhattan School of Music, is currently associate professor of piano and collaborative studies at Ithaca College. Elsewhere he was the artistic director of an international summer festival of classical music in Sparti, Greece, as well as the artistic director of the Renaissance Academy Chamber Music Concerts in Naples, Florida. During a recent sabbatical leave from Ithaca College, Dr. Dimaras completed an additional master's degree in orchestral conducting at Bard College. Since then, he has appeared as guest conductor on both sides of the Atlantic, with such orchestras as the St. Petersburg Philharmonic Chamber Orchestra and the Symphony Orchestra of the Greek National Opera.