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Sohyun Ahn

Solo Piano



& Piano Four Hands
with Eun Hee Park



Friday August 23, 2024 at 7:00 PM
Island Arts Center, North Hero, VT





Upcoming Events

Spontaneous Night of Stars August 23, from 8 PM on
Free. Orchard Hill Observatory, 70 Poor Farm Rd, South Alburgh.

Marsh Grass Bluegrass Sunday Aug. 25, 4 PM
& 40th Anniversary Celebration

Final concert of the season. Free. Outside, weather permitting.
Lightning Lardy's Catering truck will be on site for BBQ purchases.

Birding Classes with Maeve Kim
Walk the South Hero Marsh Trail. Thurs. Sept. 12, 9 AM
Zoom: Looking Ahead to Fall Migration. Sat. Sept. 14, 6 PM

Book Sale By Donation Sat.-Sun. Oct 5-6, 11 AM-3 PM
A huge treasure-hunt. 4,000 books organized by subject.

Weekly Classes—Free to All Ongoing into Fall

About Island Arts

Our mission is to foster and provide creative arts opportunities in Grand Isle County. We bring the arts and cultural diversity to residents and visitors in our rural Vermont county and surrounding areas. Events are free for ages 22 and under. Island Arts is supported in part by the Vermont Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Vermont Community Foundation.

Established in 1988, Island Arts is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Please consider donating online at islandart.org, or by check or bequest to P.O. Box 108, North Hero, VT 05474.



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Program

Sonata in E Flat Major, Hob. XVI:49

Allegro

Adagio e cantabile

Finale: Tempo di minuet

Franz Joseph Haydn

(1732-1809)

Sohyun Ahn

Six Pièces Romantiques, Op. 55

Primavera

La chaise à porteurs

Idylle arabe

Sérénade d'automne

Danse hindoue

Rigaudon

Cécile Chaminade

(1857-1944)

Sohyun Ahn & Eun Hee Park

Ballade No. 3 in Ab Major, Op. 47

Frédéric Chopin

(1810-1849)

Ballade No. 4 in F Minor, Op. 52

Frédéric Chopin

Sohyun Ahn

The Yamaha C7 piano has been provided through the courtesy of the Vermont Youth Orchestra Association. Island Arts is most grateful for their support.

Biography of Sohyun Ahn

With live performances broadcast by WFMT (Chicago's Classical Radio Station), LCATV(Lake Champlain Access Television), EBS (Korean Educational Broadcast TV Station), pianist **Sohyun Ahn** was named *the Best Performer of the Year* by *Eumak-Chunchu*, South Korea's leading classical music journal. She has performed throughout the United States, Europe, Asia, at venues including Carnegie's Weill Recital Hall, Alice Tully Hall and Merkin Hall, An Die Musik in Baltimore, Bates Recital Hall at the University of Texas at Austin, Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concert at Chicago Cultural Center, Allegro Music Consultants Concert Series in Philadelphia, Dallas Mu Phi Epsilon Public Library Concert Series, and the Island Arts Center Concert Series in Vermont.

Her performances include appearances with the Queensboro Symphony Orchestra, the New Jersey Baroque Orchestra, Royal Scottish Academy Orchestra, the Korean Symphony Orchestra, the Seoul Tutti Orchestra, and the Daejeon Philharmonic Orchestra. She was also a guest soloist at the concert honoring the 250th anniversary of Mozart's birth at the Sejong Art Center in Korea. She has been invited to perform at Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concert in Chicago, the W. Kempff Beethoven Course in Positano Italy, and the Ferrara International Music Festival Concert Series.

Her recordings of the *Bach Goldberg Variations* (Sonoris) and *Mozart Sonatas* (Classic Art) earned critics' attention. *New York Concert Review* wrote of her Bach, "...balanced and rational...", and of her Mozart, "a perfectly balanced, crystalline performance." She gave the complete Mozart Piano Sonata Concert Series at St. John's in the Village, New York City in 2019. As a collaborative pianist, she has performed with musicians of the New York Philharmonic, the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra and New York City Ballet and more.

A passionate advocate and educator of music, currently Sohyun teaches at the Kaufman Center, NYC. She has taught at the University of Texas at Austin, Concordia College in New York and Rutgers, New Jersey State University, and was a director at the Geneva Conservatory of Music, NYC. She has given master classes at University of Malaya, University of College Sedaya International, Universiti Punta Malaysia, Glovil Conservatory in Korea, and Trinity College Board in Malaysia. Sohyun also has served as an adjudicator for the New York Laureate International Music Competition, Westchester Musicians Guild Young Artists Auditions, Greater Princeton Steinway Society Scholarship Competition, and the Third Street Piano Program. Sohyun is a recipient of the Teachers' Enrichment Grant by Music Teachers National Association.

Sohyun holds the Doctor of Musical Arts from Rutgers University, the Professional Studies Degree from the Manhattan School of Music, and Masters of Music in Piano Performance with distinction from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland and Tokyo Geidai Academy. Her Bachelor of Music was from Yonsei University (Seoul, Korea) where she received the president award.

Since 2017 she has been dedicated to organizing concerts for Riverside Rehabilitation Center, New Jewish Home, Upper East Side Rehabilitation Center, Amsterdam Nursing Home, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, New York Presbyterian Hospital, and Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital. Currently, she teaches at the University of Mount Saint Vincent and the Lucy Moses School at Kaufman Music Center, NYC.

This is Sohyun Ahn's third appearance in the Island Arts Center Summer Concert Series.

Biography of Eun Hee Park

Eun Hee Park is the Music Director and Organist at the Shelburne United Methodist Church, the Collaborative Pianist for the award-winning Bella Voce Women's Chorus of Vermont, and an artistic member of Vermont's Island Arts Center Summer Concert Series. She has recently been appointed University Organist at the University of Vermont.

She was the lead organist and pianist at the New Dover United Methodist Church (NJ) where she also served as the chief caretaker of the pipe organ. She has also served as an organist at New Brunswick Theological Seminary and Kirkpatrick Chapel at Rutgers University. For over five years prior to moving to Vermont, she served as Music Director of the West Kennebunk United Methodist Church (Maine).

Eun Hee graduated from Seoul Theological University, Seoul, South Korea, with a Bachelor's degree in Organ, majoring in Church Music. She received her Master of Sacred Music degree from Boston University where she studied organ under Prof. Peter Sykes. While attending Boston University, she was a member of the Seminary Singers and served as an organist at the Boston University School of Theology.

Ms. Park is pursuing a Doctoral degree in music at Boston University after transferring from Rutgers University in New Jersey. She has extensive experience at both BU and Rutgers teaching undergraduates and performing in various recitals, recordings with orchestra, and solo performances throughout New England, New York, and New Jersey.



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