

A woman with long dark hair, wearing a vibrant red, draped dress and a matching necklace, is shown from the waist up. She is looking off to the side with a slight smile, her right arm extended forward. The background is dark, and the lighting highlights her dress and features.

Welcome to NEW ENGLAND CONSERVATORY

necmusic.edu

The Marion Rubin Berman '31
Piano Honors Concert

Ligeti *Études*

Bruce Brubaker, Curator of Piano Programming

Monday, April 24, 2023
7:30 p.m.,
NEC's Jordan Hall



In celebration of the life of **Marion Rubin Berman** '31 (known by her friends as "Mitzi"), her two children, Dr. Harris A. Berman and Phyllis E. Berman, and her daughter-in-law Ruth Nemzoff, have chosen to honor her memory by sponsoring NEC's Honors Piano Competition and Concert.

Music, and piano in particular, was the driving force in Mitzi's life. Although she married shortly after graduating from New England Conservatory at age 19, she continued her piano career by teaching – first in Lawrence, Massachusetts where, according to family legend, young Lenny Bernstein was a pupil in the synagogue children's choir she led.

In 1937, Mitzi and her husband, Frederick P. Berman, moved to Concord, New Hampshire, where she was reunited with her NEC friend Angela Annichiarico

'32. Together they played duo piano for community events for years – Broadway Musical shows, Concord Music Club concerts, and many community programs. They were both leading piano teachers in Concord for years.

Angela tragically died at a young age in a house fire, a terrible loss for Concord, her family and for Mitzi, who continued to be active in the musical life of Concord for over 65 years, inspiring young people and new generations of piano teachers. Although she died at the age of 92 in 2004, she would have been very proud to be honored here tonight at the school that shaped her career.

NEC is grateful for the generous support of Dr. Harris A. Berman, Ruth Nemzoff, and Phyllis E. Berman in sponsoring the Annual Piano Honors Competition and Concert.

The students performing this evening were chosen through the annual NEC Piano Honors Competition. The 2023 Marion Rubin Berman Honors Concert is devoted to the complete études for piano by György Ligeti, in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Ligeti's birth.

PROGRAM

György Ligeti
(1923–2006)

Études

Désordre
Tiffany Lin

Cordes à vide
Yandi Chen

Touches bloquées
Kyuree Kim

Fanfares
Ariel Mo

Arc-en-ciel
Kyuree Kim

Automne à Varsovie
Ranfei Wang

Galamb Borong
Zitong Wang

Fém
Qizhen Steven Wang

Vertige
Sunmin Kim

Der Zauberlehrling (The Sorcerer's Apprentice)
Jing Pauline Pu

En Suspens
Ziyuan Eric Qu

Entrelacs
Zhiheng Guo

L'escalier du diable (The Devil's Staircase)
Joe Zhou

"Coloana infinită" ("Infinite Column")
Boyi Fa

White on White
Hongzhen Wang

Pour Irina
Sean Yu

À bout de souffle (Out of breath)
Huan Li

Canon
Kyuree Kim

Upcoming Concerts at NEC

Visit necmusic.edu for complete and updated concert and ticketing information

JAZZ COMPOSERS' WORKSHOP ORCHESTRA, Frank Carlberg, director

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

NEC PHILHARMONIA & SYMPHONIC CHOIR, Hugh Wolff, conductor

Brahms *Tragic Overture*; Gabriela Lena Frank *Conquest Requiem*;

Yeonjae Cho, soprano, Libang Wang, baritone; Lutoslawski *Concerto for Orchestra*

Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Symphony Hall (tickets required)

SONATA NIGHT 46, Pei-Shan Lee, director

Music for Piano Four Hands by Franz Schubert

Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Brown Hall

HONORS ENSEMBLE: ZEPHYR WOODWIND QUINTET

Yechan Min, flute; Sojeong Kim, oboe; Hyunwoo Chun, clarinet; Andrew Brooks, bassoon; Yeonjo Oh, French horn

Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

NEC CHAMBER SINGERS, Erica J. Washburn, conductor

"Something Old: An Origin Story"

works by Aleotti, Byrd, des Prez, Dowland, Lotti, Morley, Ockeghem, Palestrina, Pearsall, Weelkes, de Wert

Friday, April 28, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

LIEDERABEND LXVI

Friday, April 28, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Williams Hall

NEC CHAMBER SINGERS, Erica J. Washburn, conductor

"Something New: The Line Between"

Improvisational electronic dance music, recycling selected Renaissance works from the 7:30 concert, guest artist, Andrew Lenox

Friday, April 28, 2023 at 10:00 p.m., Jordan Hall

FIRST MONDAY IN JORDAN HALL, Laurence Lesser, artistic director

Kurtág *Hommage à Schumann*; Ligeti *Quartet No. 2*; Schumann *Quintet in E-flat Major*

Monday, May 1, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

TUESDAY NIGHT NEW MUSIC

New music by NEC student composers, performed by their peers

Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

Upcoming Concerts at NEC

—continued

HONORS ENSEMBLE: QUARTET LUMINERA

Masha Lakisova and Kristy Chen, violin; Njord Fossnes, viola; Davis You, cello

Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

PRATT RESIDENCY CONCERT

Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Brown Hall

CHAMBER MUSIC GALA

Friday, May 5, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

CMA CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

Sunday, May 7, 2023, 10:00 am -10:00 pm, Eben Jordan

ARTIST DIPLOMA RECITAL: Changyong Shin, piano

Changyong Shin '24 AD studies with Wha Kyung Byun

Monday, May 8, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

HONORS ENSEMBLE 7

Joshua Brown and Thompson Wang, violin; Cara Pogossian, viola; Claire Park, **cello**

Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

FACULTY RECITAL: STEPHEN DRURY, piano

Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

HONORS ENSEMBLE 8

Yun Janice Lu, piano; Yiliang Eric Jiang, violin; Jeffrey Ho, *cello*

Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

Upcoming Student Recitals at NEC

all programs subject to change

Visit necmusic.edu for complete and updated concert information

Andrew Brooks, *bassoon* (MM)

Student of Richard Svoboda

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Eben Jordan

Aadam Ibrahim, *viola* (MM)

Student of Kim Kashkashian

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Keller Room

Yuxin Liu, *soprano* (MM)

Student of Carole Haber

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Brown Hall

Sepehr Davalloukhongar, *collaborative piano* (GD '24)

Student of Cameron Stowe

Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Pierce Hall

Ruoxi Peng, *soprano* (MM)

Student of MaryAnn McCormick

Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Burnes Hall

Audrey Daum, *soprano* (MM)

Student of MaryAnn McCormick

Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Pierce Hall

Boyi Fa, *piano* (DMA '25)

Student of Bruce Brubaker

Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Keller Room

Pualina Lim Mei En, *collaborative piano* (MM)

Student of Pei-Shan Lee and Cameron Stowe

Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Williams Hall

Chiyang Chen, *double bass* (MM)

Student of Donald Palma

Friday, April 28, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Keller Room

Caleb Montague, *jazz percussion* (BM)

Student of Nasheet Waits

Friday, April 28, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Eben Jordan

Support the musical journeys of NEC students!

Contributions to The NEC Fund directly support the musical journeys of our extraordinarily talented NEC students and help keep our concerts free. From student scholarships and faculty support to exceptional student resources and learning opportunities, your gift makes the unparalleled NEC experience possible. Learn more at necmusic.edu/give.



Food and drink are not allowed in the concert hall,
and photography and audio or video recording are prohibited.
Assistive listening devices are available for all Jordan Hall concerts;
contact the head usher or house manager on duty or inquire at the Coat Room.
Latecomers will be seated at the discretion of management.

Stay Connected      



necmusic.edu/tonight