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SBMC MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

The January concerts at the Faulkner were at capacity. I heard many wonderful comments, including "You could hear a pin drop." Each concert we present costs about \$200, so we need your continued support for this wonderful music. (How about sponsoring a concert in honor or memory of a loved one?) I proudly introduce our newest Board member, **Marilyn Gilbert**, who is also our Treasurer. Marilyn and **Nathan Rundlett**, First Vice President, are hard at work on our budget. Please visit our new and improved website at www.sbmusicclub.org for our concert schedule and much, much more, thanks to Hal Isbitz, our Webmaster. I hope to see you at the next concert – please bring a potential new member!

-- Tom Turner, President

Wednesday February 13th 11:00 AM

First United Methodist Church
305 E. Anapamu St. at Garden St.
FREE ADMISSION

Sonata in C major, K. 330 Mozart
Donna Massello-Chiacos, piano

Heritage (2007) William Ramsay
Sonata in C minor Felix Mendelssohn
Andante con variazioni
Valerie Malvinni, violin and viola
Kary Kramer, piano

Art Songs Antonin Dvorák
Ivor Novello
John Sonquist

DELIGHTFUL DIVAS
Donna Gibbs, soprano
Susan Kuehn, mezzo soprano
John Sonquist, piano

PLEASE NOTE: Our February 13th concert at the First United Methodist Church will be followed at 12:30 pm by a Lenten Organ Recital performed by David Gell. Music Club members are welcome to attend.

Cameron Memorial Concert 2/23

Our own illustrious pianist Dr. Betty Oberacker will perform with others on February 23rd (see program on this page) to honor the memory of **Mary Louise Cameron**. Oberacker is a concert pianist, Professor Emeritus at UCSB, and Chair of our Scholarship Fund. She states: "The Louise Cameron Memorial Concert promises to be a very special event. Mary Louise Cameron was a past president of the SBMC as well as a most generous donor to our scholarship fund. Her contributions made possible our support of numerous talented students, many of whom have gone on to successful musical careers. Indeed, she has left a lasting legacy, and I urge you to attend and hear music by some of Mrs. Cameron's favorite composers!"

Saturday February 23rd at 3:00 PM

Mary Louise Cameron Memorial Concert

Faulkner Gallery
Santa Barbara Public Library Main Branch
40 E. Anapamu @ Santa Barbara Street
FREE ADMISSION

Tocatta in D major, BWV 912 Bach
Betty Oberacker, piano

Art Songs Hahn, Vaughan Williams
Audrey Sharpe, soprano
Betty Oberacker, piano

Four Preludes Scriabin
Elegie in E-flat minor, Op. 3, No. 1 Rachmaninoff
Gail Embree, piano

Quartet in G minor, Op. 10 Debussy
CHANNEL ISLANDS STRING QUARTET
Irving Weinstein, violin
Ted Lucas, violin
Diana Ray-Goodman, viola
Ervin Klinkon, cello

2008 SANTA BARBARA MUSIC CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

The SBMC Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the availability of the 2008 Scholarship Awards for students pursuing musical education in classical music. Scholarships will be awarded based upon merit and need, and funds should be used to further future musical education.

Eligibility is limited to residents of Santa Barbara County. Applicants must currently be studying in, or have graduated from, schools within the County of Santa Barbara (including home schooling). Students coming from outside the county to attend college in Santa Barbara County are not eligible. P.O. Box addresses are not acceptable.

Instrumental applicants are eligible through age 25, and vocal applicants through age 30. Applications must be postmarked by April 1, 2008, and auditions are scheduled for Saturday, April 12, 2008 at the First Presbyterian Church, corner of State Street and Constance Avenue.

Guidelines and Application Forms have been mailed to music institutions as well as private teachers in the Santa Barbara area, and are also available for downloading at www.sbmusicclub.org. For further information contact: Dr. Betty Oberacker, Chair, Scholarship Committee, TEL (805) 687-5537, E-MAIL oberacke@music.ucsb.edu.



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San Marcos High Choir Carnegie Hall Trip Fundraiser – Feb. 9th

You are invited: Our own San Marcos High School's Madrigal Choir has been selected as only one of 4 high school choruses in the nation to sing the Brahms Requiem in Carnegie Hall in early March. **SBMC Board members Marilyn Gilbert and Nathan Rundlett will host a fundraiser at their Montecito home on February 9th.** Refreshments and music will be presented, including Brahms's lovely Liebeslieder Waltzes. Members of the Madrigals will also perform. Help support our young singers. For more information, please call (805) 969-7183 or email mari.nate@cox.net.

Camerata Pacifica Ticket Offer

We apologize for printing the incorrect phone number for Camerata Pacifica's offer to SBMC members of **\$5 Lunchtime Series Tickets (regularly \$20!!)** in last month's newsletter. Call their office at **884-8410** or email suzanne@cameratapacifica.org. Visit their website at www.cameratapacifica.org.

New Members

Welcome to our new members: Phillip Dore, Robert Hale, Claire Chytilo, Bicky Townsend, Madeliene Kern, Mark Hoff, Chang Kyun Kim, Julie Simpson, Jeanne D'Andrea, Doris Frey, Sarah Hearon and Stephen Miko, and Brigitte Hough. We had 10 new members join from the recent Fifth Annual Beethovenfest concerts. Welcome, all new members, and thank you for your support!

Member News

Don't miss the wonderful interview with **Nathan Rundlett** on our website at www.sbmusicclub.org. Leslie Dinabert of Noozhawk talks with Nathan about his life and musical passions.

Cody Westheimer, son of the late Santa Barbara veterinarian Eric Westheimer, ran in the recent Houston Marathon, both to raise money for the National Brain Tumor Foundation and to memorialize his father, who died of a brain tumor. Cody performed as tuba soloist on a SBMC concert a few years ago.

Concert Seats For Families

The Santa Barbara Chamber Orchestra's new **Concert Seats for Families** program offers children and their parents free tickets to the Santa Barbara Chamber Orchestra concerts. For the upcoming 2007-2008 season, 390 tickets are reserved for families with middle school and high school-aged children. The SBCO hopes that by inviting entire families to its concerts, parents and children will be life-long music lovers. To include your family in this free program, please call the SBCO office at (805) 966-2441 or email caitlin@sbco.org

Upcoming Events

The **Quire of Voyces** combines with the **Santa Barbara Chamber Orchestra** in a concert of Handel and Bach. Tuesday February 26, 7:30pm, at the First Presbyterian Church, 21 E. Constance. Tickets through the SBCO at 966-2441.

2008 Lenten Organ Recital Series

This series of free organ recitals is held Wednesdays at the First United Methodist Church, 305 E. Anapamu St. at Garden St. The recitals are from 12:15 to 12:55. The programs are Feb. 6: Charles Talmadge, Feb. 13: David Gell, Feb. 20: Steve Hodson, Feb. 27: Carol Schaeffer, March 5: Steven O'Connor, March 12: Edith Ott, March 19: Thomas Strout.

Workshops

A workshop will be held February 9th, 2:00 pm, at Wood Glen Hall, 3010 Foothill Road. For more information contact Gail Embree at 966-9231. Please join us to perform on a beautiful Steinway concert grand for a small and appreciative audience of Wood Glen Hall residents.

Volunteers

We are looking for enthusiastic Music Club members to assist with the mailing of the Newsletter or distribution of programs at our concerts. It's a great way to make new friends and help us out! Contact Andriana Kolendrianos at 685-8982.