

Bay Area's Daniel Hsu Returns as Cliburn Competition Winner for Steinway Society Concert

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Steinway Society – The Bay Area is proud to be the first to present Daniel Hsu, the show-stopping pianist from Fremont, CA in concert, fresh from his bronze medal and two awards at the 2017 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition, on Saturday, December 9, 7:30 p.m. at the Trianon Theatre in San Jose.

Praised by the *Philadelphia Inquirer* as a “poet...[with] an expressive edge to his playing that charms, questions, and coaxes,” 20-year-old Daniel Hsu captured the Bronze Medal and prizes for best performance of a commissioned work and chamber music at the 15th Van Cliburn International Piano Competition. Also a 2016 Gilmore Young Artist, Hsu was a Steinway Society Young Artist and won the San Jose International Piano Competition Gold Medal before being accepted at Philadelphia's Curtis Institute at age 10.

A meet-and-greet with Hsu follows the concert.

WHO: Steinway Society - The Bay Area presents a concert by Daniel Hsu

WHAT: Classical Piano Recital

WHEN: Saturday, December 9, 7:30 pm

WHERE Trianon Theatre, San Jose, CA

PROGRAM:

BACH-BUSONI: Chaconne

CHOPIN: Polonaise No. 6 in A-flat major, Op. 53

CHOPIN: Fantasie, Op. 49

INTERMISSION

HAMELIN: Toccata

SCHUBERT: Four Impromptus D. 899

TICKETS/INFO: Single Tickets: \$40-\$60. Senior/Student Discounts Available

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More information:

As if winning at the Cliburn Competition weren't enough, Daniel Hsu is a true son of Silicon Valley. Raised in the Bay Area, he contributed to the creation of Workflow, a popular productivity app that allows users to automate tasks on iPhone, iPad, and Apple Watch. A recipient of the coveted 2015 Apple Design Award, Workflow was acquired by Apple in March 2017.

Daniel Hsu's 2017–2018 season will launch with Decca Gold's release of his first solo album, and continue with recital and concerto tours across the United States. Recent highlights include his debuts with the Philadelphia Orchestra in 2016 and at Carnegie Hall's Weill Recital Hall in 2017 as part of the CAG Winners Series. Mr. Hsu has also appeared at the Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concerts, the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts, and the Gilmore International Keyboard Festival, as well as in concerts in Philadelphia, Chicago, Los Angeles, and New York. He has collaborated with the Tokyo Symphony Orchestra, Symphonia Boca Raton, and the Grand Rapids, New Haven, Roswell, and Fort Worth Symphony Orchestras, with conductors Leonard Slatkin, Nicholas McGegan, and Marcelo Lehninger. He has also built a following in Japan and given many concerts there. He has toured the United States with the Verona String Quartet.

His chamber music performance with the Brentano String Quartet earned him the Steven de Groote Memorial Award for the Best Performance of Chamber Music. The *Dallas Morning News* praised "his impassioned, eloquently detailed Franck Quintet," proclaiming it "a boldly molded account, with a natural feeling for the rise and fall of intensity, the give and take of rubato. Both he and the Brentano seemed to be channeling the same life force."

A native of the San Francisco Bay Area, Daniel Hsu began his studies at age 6 with Larisa Kagan. He made his concerto debut with the Fremont Symphony Orchestra at age 8, and his recital debut at Steinway Society - the Bay Area at age 9, before being accepted into the Curtis Institute of Music at age 10, along with his two older siblings. He is currently the Richard A. Doran Fellow at Curtis, where he has studied with Gary Graffman, Robert McDonald, and Eleanor Sokoloff.

Additional information is available at his website: daniel.hsumusic.com

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