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## **Hochstein's Spotlight on Faculty Series Wraps Up with Sixth Annual Celebration of the Piano: Music for 2–16 Hands**

*Thursday, May 4, at 7:00 pm in Hochstein Performance Hall*

ROCHESTER, N.Y.— Hochstein piano faculty members will join together on **Thursday, May 4, at 7:00 pm** for **Celebration of the Piano VI**, a Spotlight on Faculty concert featuring music for one piano, two hands, and other multi-piano pieces including two works for four pianos, 16 hands. Performers include pianists Maria Arreaza, Paula Rodney Bobb, Yi-Wen Chang, Willie LaFavor, Doleen Hood, Gary Palmer, Lourdes Santiesteban-Mora, and Joseph Werner. Tickets (available at the door) are \$5 individual/\$10 family, and admission is free to current Hochstein students and families. There will be a reception following the performance.

Program highlights include: Prokofiev's Scherzo Op. 12, Mozowski's *Caprice Espagnol*, Rachmaninov's "Lilacs," Lecouna's *La Comparsa*, Air from Grieg's *Holberg Suite*, Bach's Prelude in G minor (arranged by Pick-Mangiagalli), and selected Debussy *Preludes*, all for solo piano. The concert also features J. Strauss's "On the Beautiful Danube" for one piano, four hands; "Waltz" from Brubeck's *Jazz Ballet* and Delaney's "Cuando la Tarde Languidece" for two pianos, four hands; selections from Grieg's *Peer Gynt Suite* for two pianos, eight hands; and Schubert's "Marche Militaire" in D Major for four pianos, 16 hands). The exciting concert finale will be Khachaturian's *Sabre Dance* for eight pianists, arranged by Hochstein adult student Tom Acquaviva.

The concert this year is given in memory of Dawn Acquaviva, late wife of Tom Acquaviva and an ardent supporter of Hochstein's piano program. The Spotlight on Faculty concert series is sponsored by Ed and Jillian Pritchard Fiandach. It is also made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature. Supported by Wegmans.

**About Hochstein:** The Hochstein School of Music & Dance celebrates 96 years of nurturing the creative spirit by providing excellent music and dance instruction to anyone who is interested—regardless of age, level of skill, background, or ability to pay. Established in 1920 as The David Hochstein Memorial Music School, today Hochstein serves approximately 4,000 students annually from a 12-county region surrounding Rochester, N.Y., with offerings in music, dance, and Expressive Arts (music, art, and dance therapy). In addition, the Hochstein School continues its commitment to the Rochester community by offering a variety of free and low cost concerts and performances in the Hochstein Performance Hall throughout the year. For more information, visit [www.hochstein.org](http://www.hochstein.org).

## CALENDAR LISTING

### **Celebration of the Piano VI**

Thursday, May 4, 2017; 7:00 pm; Hochstein Performance Hall; admission at the door is \$5 per person, with a \$10 family maximum.

Eight pianists, 16 hands on four pianos, and a whole lot of fun with members of Hochstein's piano faculty. Featuring Maria Arreaza, Paula Rodney Bobb, Yi-Wen Chang, Willie LaFavor, Doleen Hood, Gary Palmer, Lourdes Santiesteban-Mora, and Joseph Werner.

*Please note that the listing of performers has been updated since the initial season press release.*

**A photo of last year's Celebration of the Piano concert is available here:**

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4gOTOGVRYOhT3h0M1U1RTdrbnc/view?usp=sharing>