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IVCI Doubles Audience for March 23 Recital at Indiana Landmarks Center

*1994 Gold Medalist Juliette Kang and 2006 Laureate Bella Hristova
Present Duo Recital, plus a World Premiere by Composer Nokuthula Ngwenyama*

INDIANAPOLIS – A duo recital featuring 1994 Gold Medalist **Juliette Kang** and 2006 Laureate **Bella Hristova** will take place Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. in the Grand Hall at Indiana Landmarks Center as a part of the International Violin Competition of Indianapolis (IVCI) 20/21 Laureate Series. The IVCI will cap its audience at 90 patrons, which is 16% of the Grand Hall's regular capacity to allow extra social distancing between its patrons.

In addition to duo violin repertoire staples by Ysaÿe and Moszkowski, Juliette Kang – currently Associate Concertmaster of the Philadelphia Orchestra – and Bella Hristova will also perform solo works by Fritz Kreisler and Lili Boulanger, accompanied by pianist Chih-Yi Chen.

Ms. Hristova will open the program with a world premiere performance of a new work by violist/composer **Nokuthula Ngwenyama**. Born in California to Zimbabwean-Japanese parentage, Ngwenyama has an astounding career not only as an internationally renowned violist, but as a composer of all genres, collaborating with Chamber Music Northwest, the Phoenix Chamber Society and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, among others. In addition to her music degrees from the Crossroads School, Colburn School and the Curtis Institute, she was a Fulbright Scholar and received a Master of Theological Studies degree from Harvard University. Ngwenyama also served as visiting professor at the University of Notre Dame and the IU Jacobs School of Music.

Ninety tickets are available for the live recital, and livestream virtual tickets are also sold for those wishing to enjoy the performance from home. The recital will be available online until Friday, April 2 for those holding a virtual ticket.

As always, the IVCI and the Indiana Landmarks Center are committed to keeping its patrons, staff and musicians safe. Face mask usage and social distancing will be required for all in attendance.

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Contact Information

Patrons with questions or concerns may contact Mindy Miller at the IVCI at mindy@violin.org, or leave a message at (317) 637-4574.

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