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## **IVCI Announces 21/22 Laureate Series, including live and virtual options**

*Six-concert series will feature two Gold Medalists,  
two Bronze Medalists and two crossover artists*

INDIANAPOLIS – The International Violin Competition of Indianapolis (IVCI) is pleased to announce its 2021/2022 Laureate Series. The six-concert series will include two Gold Medalists: **Richard Lin** (2018) and **Kyoko Takezawa** (1986); and two Bronze Medalists: **Luke Hsu** (2018) and **Soovin Kim** (2002). They will be joined by Indianapolis-based ensembles including the **Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra** (November 20) and the **Ronen Chamber Ensemble** (March 24), plus long-time IVCI pianist **Chih-Yi Chen** (May 17).

Special crossover guests of the Laureate Series include acclaimed violinist **Kelly Hall-Tompkins** (December 16), and Scandinavian trio **Dreamers' Circus** (February 1).

Performances will take place in four venues across the city including the **Schrott Center for the Arts** (November 20), the **Madam Walker Theatre** (December 16), the **Indiana Landmarks Center** (February 1 and April 26), and the **Frank and Katrina Basile Theater** at the **Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center** (March 24 and May 17).

Several performances, postponed from previous seasons due to COVID-19, have been rescheduled into the 21/22 season. The IVCI remains committed to the health of its patrons, musicians and staff, and will continue to keep its patrons aware of safeguard measures recommended by local health and safety officials. Patrons can stay up to date via the IVCI's social media platforms, eNewsletter **Inside The Indianapolis** or by visiting [www.violin.org](http://www.violin.org) prior to each concert.

### **Ticket Information**

Patrons may now purchase subscriptions, single tickets and virtual tickets online, calling the IVCI offices at (317) 637-4574, or emailing Mindy Miller, Director of Operations ([mindy@violin.org](mailto:mindy@violin.org)).

- **Subscription Packages**

Adult subscription packages are available for \$164 for the season, and Senior (60+) packages for \$152 (20% off regular admission). Each package includes the patron's choice of either one ticket for each of the six concerts, or six "flex" vouchers which can be used in any combination for any of the six concerts.



- **Early Bird Subscription Special**

Until **August 31, 2021**, the IVCI offers patrons a total discount of 30% off regular admission. Adult subscriptions are \$144; Senior subscriptions (60+) are \$133.

For tickets and subscription information, visit [www.violin.org](http://www.violin.org) or call (317) 637-4574.

### **2021/2022 Laureate Series Summary**

Saturday, November 20, 2021 | 7:30 PM

**Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons* with 2018 Gold Medalist Richard Lin**  
and the **Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra**

Schrott Center for the Arts | 610 West 46<sup>th</sup> Street

*Led by Music Director Matthew Kraemer, the ICO and 2018 IVCI Gold Medalist **Richard Lin** perform Vivaldi's exquisite masterpiece *The Four Seasons*. This performance will be video recorded for an on-demand option for patrons. Single tickets and virtual tickets are only available via the Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra website.*

Thursday, December 16, 2021 | 7:30 PM

**Fiddler's Holiday: Expanding Tradition**  
featuring **Broadway's *Fiddler on the Roof*, Kelly Hall-Tompkins**

Madam Walker Theatre | 617 Indiana Avenue

*Acclaimed violinist **Kelly Hall-Tompkins**, "Fiddler" for the Grammy/Tony-nominated Broadway production of *Fiddler on the Roof*, brings a unique program to the Madam Walker Theatre featuring guitar, bass and accordion, performing special arrangements from the musical, plus holiday favorites. This performance will also be livestreamed and available on demand through December 31, 2021.*

Tuesday, February 1, 2022 | 7:30 PM

**Dreamers' Circus**

Indiana Landmarks Center | 1201 Central Avenue

*Rooted by a love of traditional Scandinavian folk music with a blend of classical and jazz, **Dreamers' Circus** brews it all together to create something ingenious. Consisting of violinist Rune Tonsgaard Sørensen (Danish String Quartet), pianist Nikolaj Busk and citternist Ale Carr, **Dreamers' Circus** "strives to invoke a place of freedom, somewhere for our imagination to play in and a space for dreaming."*

Thursday, March 24, 2022 | 7:30 PM

**French Soundscapes: 2018 Bronze Medalist Luke Hsu**  
with **2019 USA International Harp Competition Gold Medalist Mélanie Laurent**  
and **Ronen Chamber Ensemble**

Basile Theater, Indiana History Center | 450 West Ohio Street

*2018 Bronze Medalist **Luke Hsu** combines forces with 2019 USA International Harp Competition Gold Medalist **Mélanie Laurent** in a program featuring the beautifully unique pairing of violin and harp. The program includes works by Cras, Piazzolla, Mchedelov, Ysaÿe, Saint-Saëns and Ravel.*



Tuesday, April 26, 2022 | 7:30 PM

**Classic Beethoven and Brahms: Chien-Kim-Watkins Trio**

with **2002 Bronze Medalist Soovin Kim**

Indiana Landmarks Center | 1201 Central Avenue

*Co-presented with Ensemble Music Society, the Chien-Kim-Watkins Trio – comprised of 2002 Bronze Medalist **Soovin Kim**, pianist Gloria Chien and cellist Paul Watkins (Emerson String Quartet) – features extraordinary piano trios by Beethoven (No. 3 in C minor, Op. 1, No. 3) and Brahms (No. 2 in C, Op. 87) coupled with the nature-inspired Piano Trio No. 2 by American composer Pierre Jalbert. This performance will also be livestreamed and available on demand through May 6, 2022.*

Tuesday, May 17, 2022 | 7:30 PM

**A Romantic Finale: 1986 Gold Medalist Kyoko Takezawa**

with **Chih-Yi Chen**, piano

Basile Theater, Indiana History Center | 450 West Ohio Street

*1986 Gold Medalist **Kyoko Takezawa** collaborates with pianist Chih-Yi Chen in this season finale featuring lyrical and heroic sonatas by Brahms and Saint-Saëns, plus Chopin's beloved Nocturne in D-flat, Op. 27, No. 2, and Bloch's passionate Baal Shem Suite. This performance will also be livestreamed and available on demand through May 27, 2022.*

**Contact Information**

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The International Violin Competition of Indianapolis (IVCI) recognizes, rewards and promotes the world's finest young classical violinists and encourages understanding, appreciation and support of the violin repertoire by a large and diverse audience. The IVCI utilizes its world prominence to bring international attention to Indianapolis and maintains its efforts to be a visible and collaborative member of the arts communities in Indianapolis and Indiana.

For information about the IVCI, visit [www.violin.org](http://www.violin.org).

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