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IVCI announces 24/25 Laureate Series, including live and virtual options

Six-concert series features two Gold Medalists, one Silver Medalist, IVCI Artistic Director Jaime Laredo and a free community concert

INDIANAPOLIS – The International Violin Competition of Indianapolis (IVCI) is pleased to announce its 2024/2025 Laureate Series, commencing in September. The six-concert series includes 2022 Gold Medalist **Sirena Huang** (February 1), and 2006 Gold Medalist **Augustin Hadelich** (November 22), and 2022 Silver Medalist **Julian Rhee** (May 20). IVCI Artistic Director Jaime Laredo appears with his new piano quartet **Espressivo!** (October 22). Recitals feature IVCI Official Pianist **Chih-Yi Chen** (November 22) and guest pianist **Chelsea Wang** (May 6).

The IVCI opens the season with its second free Community Concert featuring crossover group **6-WIRE** at the Madam Walker Theatre (September 7). A second crossover group, **Take3**, performs two concerts over two nights in two venues – The Cabaret Theater (April 8) and in the newly-constructed Hendricks Live! Performing Arts Center in Plainfield (April 9).

All concerts will be performed live, with two available for livestream and on-demand viewing (October 22 and November 22).

Performances will take place in six venues across the city including the Madam Walker Theatre (September 7), the Indiana Landmarks Center (October 22 and November 22), the Schrott Center for the Arts (February 1), The Cabaret Theatre (April 8), the Hendricks Live! Performing Arts Center (April 9), and the Frank and Katrina Basile Theater at the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center (May 6).

Ticket Information

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

Subscription Packages

Adult subscription packages are available for \$160 for the season, and Senior (60+) packages for \$141 (20% off regular admission). Each package includes the patron's choice of either one ticket for each of the six concerts, or the opportunity to choose tickets in any combination for any of the concerts.

• Early Bird Subscription Special



The IVCI offers patrons a total discount of 30% off regular admission. Adult subscriptions are \$140; Senior subscriptions (60+) are \$123. **This offer expires Friday, August 9.**

For tickets and subscription information, visit www.violin.org or call (317) 637-4574.

2024/2025 Laureate Series Summary

Saturday, September 7, 2024 | 2:30 PM

Free Community Concert featuring 6-WIRE

Madam Walker Theatre | 617 Indiana Avenue

Crossover trio **6-WIRE** features a dazzling fusion of Western and Eastern music as it melds contemporary, classical, chamber, world music and jazz with the Chinese Erhu, a 2-stringed violin, combined with violin and piano. Celebrating world diversity, the trio incorporates stories into its concerts, transforming how live instrumental music is experienced. The Indianapolis community is invited to this free concert at the historic Madam Walker Theatre as part of the IVCI's annual community celebration. Tickets are free but required.

Tuesday, October 22, 2024 | 7:30 PM

ESPRESSIVO! Piano Quartet

Indiana Landmarks Center | 1201 Central Avenue

In this co-presentation with Ensemble Music Society, the **ESPRESSIVO!** piano quartet performs works by Mozart, Brahms and American composer Nokuthula Ngwenyama. Comprised of IVCI Artistic Director **Jaime Laredo**, violist Milena Pájaro-van de Stadt, cellist Sharon Robinson and pianist Anna Polonsky, the quartet performs its first-ever commission by Ngwenyama, co-commissioned by the IVCI. Join us for a pre-concert discussion at 6:45pm on the Grand Hall stage.

*Note: this performance will be livestreamed and available on-demand.

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Mozart Piano Quartet in E-flat, K. 493

Ngwenyama IVCI Co-Commissioned Work *World Premiere Tour*

Brahms Piano Quartet in G minor, Op. 25

Friday, November 22, 2024 | 7:30 PM

2006 Gold Medalist Augustin Hadelich in Recital with Chih-Yi Chen, piano

Indiana Landmarks Center | 1201 Central Avenue

In collaboration with the Violin Society of America, which celebrates its 50th Anniversary this year, the IVCI presents 2006 Gold Medalist **Augustin Hadelich** in recital with Official IVCI Pianist **Chih-Yi Chen** in the Grand Hall of the Indiana Landmarks Center.

*Note: this performance will be livestreamed and available on-demand.

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Saturday, February 1, 2025 | 7:30 PM

Joyful Solidarity – 2022 Gold Medalist Sirena Huang and the Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra Schrott Center for the Arts | 610 W 46th Street

Presented in collaboration with Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra, 2022 Gold Medalist **Sirena Huang** performs the breathtaking violin concerto by Beethoven with the ICO, led by Music
Director Matthew Kraemer. The evening also includes a work by Brian Raphael Nabors, and a
world premiere by Jorge Muñiz.

*Note: single tickets can only be purchased through the Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra after August 15.

Tuesday, April 8, 2025 | 7:30 PM - The Cabaret Theatre (April 8) | 924 N Pennsylvania Wednesday, April 9, 2025 | 7:30 PM - Hendricks Live! (April 9) | 200 W Main Street, Plainfield **Take3 – Where Rock Meets Bach – Two performances!**

Born out of the practice rooms of the country's top conservatories, **Take3** lives at the intersection where pop, rock and classical fusion collide. Their unmistakable style and infectious joy in music making can be witnessed at the intimate Cabaret Theatre in downtown Indianapolis in an acoustic performance. Catering is provided by The Jazz Kitchen. Full tables of two, four or six can be reserved in advance for an additional \$10 per seat. The following night, the trio will perform an amplified performance at the newly-constructed Hendricks Live! Performing Arts Center in Plainfield, Indiana.

Tuesday, May 6, 2025 | 7:30 PM

2022 Silver Medalist Julian Rhee in Recital with pianist Chelsea Wang

Indiana History Center | 450 W Ohio Street

2022 Silver Medalist **Julian Rhee** closes out the season with a stunning recital featuring guest pianist Chelsea Wang at the Indiana History Center.

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.

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