CORFU FESTIVAL

Ionian Concerts 08

Corfu, 29 June - 31 July 2008

PROGRAMM

Music is in our nature

Sunday, 29 June

Concert featuring Electro-Acoustic Music

Art and Technology of Sound, Soundscapes – Virtual Landscapes 2008

With works by Scott Wilson, Julio D'Escrivan, Tim Ward, Yannis Zannos, Theodoros Lotis, Andreas Mniestris students and graduates of the Post-Graduate Programme in Art and Technology of Sound of the Dept of Music Studies of the Ionian University.

Old Fortress

21:00

Entrance free

Tuesday, 1 July

Open Air happening - Trombone Ensemble

Liston

20:00

Entrance Free

Conductor Spyros Farounghias, solo trombone with the Orchestra of the Greek National Opera.

Wednesday, 2 July

Melos Brass & Friends Ionian Academy

21:00

Tickets: 10€

Melos Brass quintet (Sokratis Anthis & Panayotis Kessaris, trumpet, Antonis Lagos, horn, Spyros Farounghias, trombone and Sakis Mironis, tuba) and soloists Chris Martin, Reinhold Friedrich, James Watson and Greg Jones, trumpet, Hector Mac Donald, horn, Jonas Bylund and Thomas Horch, trombone, Jens Bjorn-Larsen, tuba, Sotaro Fukaishi, euphonium.

Thursday, 3 July

Open air Brass Ensemble concert by students of the Summer Academy

Liston

20:00

Entrance Free

Friday, 4 July

Clarinet Ensemble concert

Ionian Academy

21:00

Corfu Summer Academy Clarinet Ensemble. Conductor Spyros Mourikis, solo clarinet at the Athens State Orchestra. Special guest Dionyssis Grammenos, winner of the 14th European Contest "EUROVISION YOUNG MUSICIANS 2008".

Saturday, 5 July

Corfu Summer Academy Teachers' Brass Ensemble

Ionian Academy

21:00

Tickets: 10€

Chris Martin (solo trumpet with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra), Greg Jones (Professor for trumpet at Truman State University), James Watson (Head of Brass at the Royal Academy of Music), Sokratis Anthis (trumpet Teacher at Ionian University), Panayotis Kessaris (solo trumpet with the Athens State Orchestra), Hector Mac Donald (Professor for Horn at the University for Music and the Performing Arts in Graz, Austria), Antonis Lagos

(solo horn with the Greek Radio and Television National Symphony Orchestra and the Orchestra of Colours), Jonas Bylund (Professor for trombone at the Academy of Music in Hannover, Germany), Thomas Horch (teacher at the Richard Strauss Konservatorium in Munich), Spyros Farounghias (solo trombone with the Orchestra of the Greek National Opera), Jens Bjorn-Larsen (Professor for tuba at the Hochschule fur Musik und Theater, Hannover), Sakis Mironis (tuba with the Band of the City of Athens), Sotaro Fukaishi (euphonium, lecturer at Senzoku Gakuen College of Music).

Sunday, 6 July

Concert and Lecture on the subject of Ancient Greek Music, with Stefan Hagel Ionian Academy

19:00 Tickets : 10€

Sunday, 6 July

Open air Brass Ensemble concert by students of the Summer Academy

Liston 20:00

Entrance Free

Sunday, 6 July

Canadian Brass Live! Old Fortress 21:00 Tickets: 10€

... With over three decades under their belts, Canadian Brass continues to fill concert halls and thrill audiences around the world. And, they don't look like letting up anytime soon!

Monday, 7 July

Concert with the Brass & Percussion Ensemble of Corfu Summer Academy Municipal Theatre of Corfu 20:00

Free entrance

Conductor James Watson, Head of Brass at the Royal Academy of Music since 2001.

Monday, 7 July

Flute Concert Corfu Reading Society 21:00 Free entrance

Corfu Summer Academy Students Ensembles

Soloists: Karl-Heinz Schütz (solo flute with the Wiener Symphoniker) and Ria Georgiadou (Teacher at the Ionian University)

Piano: Chryssa Grenda

In co-organisation with Corfu Reading Society

Monday, 7 July

Concert with the Alaska Symphony Orchestra, with works by Saint-Saens and Brahms

Soloist: Elena Mouzala (piano) Municipal Theatre Corfu

21:00 Tickets: 10€

Two concerts on 7 and 9 July with guest performers the American Orchestra of Fairbanks, Alaska, a very special group with a huge symphonic sound – 75 musicians who will take us on a journey through the era of French and Russian Romanticism. The concert opens on 7 July with Eleni Mouzala performing the Saint-Saens Second Piano Concerto . Eleni Mouzala, of Greek-Cypriot descent, pianist and music teacher, is an assistant lecturer at the Dept. of Music Studies and recently received a 'Successful Woman Award' at a ceremony carried out by the 'France-Europe-Mediterranean' Organisation in Paris' The conductor is Russian-American Eduard Zilberkant who, in the second half of the concert, will also conduct the Brahms First Symphony.

Tuesday, 8 July

Early Music Ensemble of the City of Athens

Domo, Saints' James and Christopher Catholic Cathedral

20:30

Free entrance

Efy Christodoulou and Yorgos Peristeris (violin), Kostis Theos (cello), Mikaela Panayotopoulou (flute) and Katerina Ktona (harpsichord)

Wednesday 9 July

Concert with works by Tchaikovsky and Dvorzak, performed by the Symphony Orchestra of Fairbanks, Alaska.

Soloist: Lambis Vassiliadis (Piano)

Municipal Theatre of Corfu

21:00

Tickets: 10€

A very rare opportunity to listen to the Second Tchaikovsky Concert and the Dvorzak New World Symphony performed by the Symphony Orchestra of Fairbanks, Alaska, conductor the wellknown Eduard Zilberkant with pianist Lambis Vassiliadis who according to critics "...brings off another triumph of interpretation which deserves to go down in recording history as a reference recording."

Thursday, 10 July

Concerts with music for woodwinds Ionian Academy 21:00

Tickets: 10€

Woodwind Ensemble of Corfu Summer Academy:

Othonas Gonghas (flute), Kostas Yovanis (oboe), Spyros Tzekos, Dimitris Bakeas (clarinet), Yannis Gounaris, Nassos Ioannou (horn), Yorgos Farounghias, Dimitris Dakovanos (bassoon).

Works by Louis Théodore Gouvy, Franz Krommer, Carl Reinecke

Saturday 12 July

Concert by the Kapodistria Philharmonic Society. Kassiopi Fortress

21:00

Entrance free

The Kapodistria Philharmonic Society will give one performance with works by Hadjidakis, in the idyllic setting of the Kassiopi Fortress, in celebration of the recent restoration of the fortress.

Sunday 13 July

Concert by the Corfu Philharmonic Society.

Old Fortress

21:00

Entrance free

The 'Old' Philharmonic Society of Corfu has played an important role in the culture of the island since 1846 and makes a historic appearance in front of the sacred church of Saint George.

Monday 14 July

Concert with the Corfu Municipal Choir. On the steps of Saint Spiridon's Church 21:00

Entrance free

A surprise performance by the Municipal Choir on the steps of Saint Spiridon's Church.

Wednesday 16 July

Music from the other side of the world with David Harnish and Tammy Starr

Ionian Academy 21:00

Tickets: 10€

The Bowling Green State University Professor David Harnish and his partner Dancer Tammy Star will perform music and dances from Indonesia and Korea. An exotic musical experience!!!

Thursday 17 July

Song Recital by baritone Andrea Reibenspiess Ionian Academy 21:00

Tickets: 10€

One of Germany's most outstanding baritones, professor of the Musical Academy of Trossingen, Andreas Reibenspiess, will perform the entire song cycle by Schubert, the "Schwanengesang", (Swan Song). Accompanied by Lambis Vassiliadis (Piano).

Swan Song represents the ultimate brilliance of Schubert's compositions and demands very special performance skills. The German ' lied' in all its magnificence: Marina Theodoropoulou will assist in the better comprehension of the poetry with short texts. Not to be missed!

Friday 18 July

Concert with the Ensemble "Corfu Cantors" Artistic Director Stathis Makris At the Church of Saint George (Old Fortress) 21:00 Tickets 10€

The vocal group, 'The Corfu Cantors', of the Ionian University presents traditional ecclesiastical music from Corfu and the other islands of the Ionian, as well as other hymns associated with church services, set to music by different composers. Participation of the Children's Choir of the Cultural Society of Potamos, 'Borgos'.

Friday 19 July until Thursday 24 July

'Jam Sessions' every day by students and teachers of the Jazz Section of the Summer Music Academy. At the Art Café, in the gardens of the Palace of St Michael and St George 23:00

Entrance free

Monday 21 July

"Guitar Summit"

Jazz Concert featuring guitarists Richard Smith, Francesco Buzzurro and Vassilis Rakopoulos.

Art Café (in the gardens of the Palace of St. Michael and St George)

21:00

Tickets 10€

Tuesday 22 July

"Saxophone Summit"

Jazz Concert with saxophonists Chico Freeman, Dimos Dimitriadis and Jari Perkiomaki.

Art Café (in the gardens of the Palace of St Michael and St George)

21:00 Tickets: 10€

Wednesday 23 July

Jazz Concert with Mark Murphy, Ron McClure, Jukkis Uotila. Art Café (in the gardens of the Palace of St Michael and St George) 21:00 Tickets: 10€

Thursday 24 July

Jazz Party – Concert by the students and teachers of the Jazz Section of the 6th Summer Music Academy Art Café (in the gardens of the Palace of St Michael and St George)

21:00 Tickets: 10€

Friday 25 July

Concert with works for viola and harpsichord Holy Church of the Antivouniotissa (Byzantine Museum) 21:00 Free entrance

Every summer the Ionian Ancient Music Ensemble claims its place in Corfu's Festival programme, having attained its own following. The Dept of Music Studies leads the way in the field of Ancient Music, researching and presenting authentic examples of the music of former times, in a highly aesthetic atmosphere.

Saturday 26 July

Piano Recital by Michael Boydd Ionian Academy 21:00 Tickets: 10€

Professor of the University of Toledo and visiting professor at the Eastman School of Music, Michael Boydd, will perform works by Scarlatti, Surinach, and Bartok as well as the amazingly virtuoso and unusual variations by Godowsky, Olenev and Liszt on well-known melodies by Strauss and Schubert. An evening of works rarely heard in Greek concert halls!

Sunday 27 July

Concert featuring the Ionian Early Music Ensemble. At the Church of Saint George (Old Fortress) 21:00 Tickets: 10€

Monday 28 July

Piano Recital by Steve Glaser Ionian Academy 21:00

Tickets: 10€

The 'New York Times' writes of the celebrated pianist and professor of Ohio State:

"...exceptional sound, precise virtuosity, a performance of great range"

Although it is hardly necessary to say more, it is worth pointing out that Steve Glaser is making his first visit to Greece ... in order to perform for the first time works by Liapunov and Ben Heim.

Tuesday 29 July

Corfu Choir, Lucio Dalla, Mario Frangoulis. Old Fortress 21:00

Tickets: 25€

The Corfu Choir begins its collaboration with the Ionian Concerts with an important performance. Joining forces with two top musicians, Lucio Dalla and Mario Frangoulis, we are promised an evening to go down in history!

Wednesday 30 July

Concert by teachers from the Bowling Green State University – Soloists: L. Melton and V. Beluska Ionian Academy

21:00 Tickets: 10€

Bowling Green State University has enjoyed a very close collaboration with the Ionian University over the last five years. Tonight the violinist V.Beluska (student of the world-famous J. Heifetz) together with Laura Melton (piano), will present works for the piano and chamber music, putting their stamp, with the quality of their performance, on the academic choices and potential of the Summer Academy.

Thursday 31 July Concert by Students of the Summer Academy Ionian Academy 21:00 Entrance free

A celebration ending to the Festival with a concert by the Mantzaros Philharmonic Society

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