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CONCORDIA CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC & ART PRESENTS ANNUAL PLAY & ART-A-THON FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUND AND OUTREACH PROGRAM

Bronxville, NY – Concordia Conservatory presents its annual *Play & Art-a-thon* and *Faculty-on-Parade* as part of the annual fundraising activities to benefit its Scholarship Fund and Music Outreach Program on Friday, March 30 from 4-9 pm and Saturday, March 31 from 10am-5pm at the Sommer Center for Worship and the Performing Arts at Concordia College in Bronxville. The *Play & Art-a-thon* is free and open to the public.

Faculty-on-Parade concerts and art projects are featured throughout the two days of the *Play & Art-a-thon* every hour as per the schedule below. The faculty concerts are 10-15 minutes in length, followed by student *Play-a-thon* participants. The art projects, administered by the Conservatory art faculty, are presented throughout the hour. Below is the event schedule.

March 30

- 4:00 Emily Kalish, percussion Christy Morejon, art
- 5:00 Matt Van Brink, piano & composition Sarah Gleason, musical theatre
- 6:00 Kiwon Nahm, violin Kathleen Suss, mezzo soprano Jackie Meier, art
- 7:00 Sun Young Chang, soprano Sheri Hammerstrom, soprano
- 8:00 Xiaojing Chang, piano Rosa Shin, piano

March 31

- 10:00 Jason Sagabiel, guitar
- 11:00 Yousif Sheronick, percussion Magdalena Baczewska, piano
- 12:00 Bob Gingery, bass Lee Metcalf, guitar
- 1:00 Clare Hoffman, flute

2:00 Jee Sun Lee, violin
3:00 Jon Klibonoff, piano
Vivian Choi, piano
4:00 Melissa Alexander, piano
Annette Espada, cello

Students from Concordia Conservatory perform throughout the day in five and ten minute intervals and collect pledges of support. All funds go directly to the Conservatory Scholarship Fund and the Outreach Program. Concordia Conservatory has been holding annual student and faculty Play-a-thon fundraising events since 2003.

The *Play & Art-a-thon* ensures scholarship funding to our students with promising musical and visual arts talent, but an inability to afford instruction at the Conservatory. In addition to the Conservatory's Scholarship Fund, it also offers tuition-free outreach at Project Music Achievement at Rosedale in the Bronx, the Andrus Early Learning Center, Greyston After-school and Daycare Programs, and area elementary, middle and high schools in communities with "challenged" budgets for the arts. The Scholarship Fund awards over 300 merit and needbased scholarships each academic year and its outreach program reaches 1,000 students annually.

For information on the upcoming event, please call 914-395-4507

Concordia Conservatory's mission is to inspire, instruct, and enrich lives through music and the visual arts offering excellence in education, performance, and exhibition.