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## *The Pro-Mozart Society of Atlanta, Inc.*

*Cordially Invites You and Your Friends to the*



### Members and Prospective Members Party

River Chase Club House & Pool  
6260 River Chase Circle, NW  
Atlanta, GA 30328

Sunday, September 27, 2009

2:30 – 5:30 PM

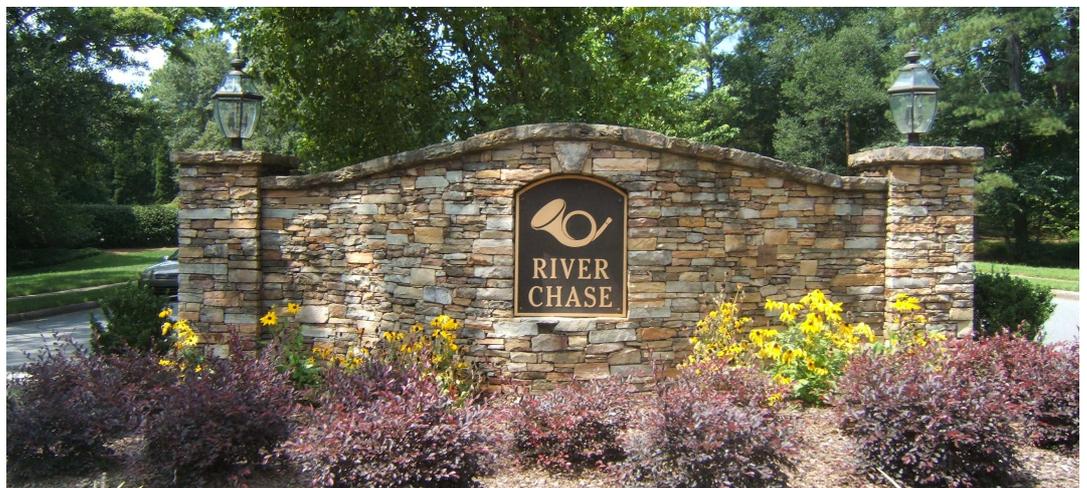
Co-Hosts Shirley Ebert and Lance Solaroli

Audra and John Kapsaroff

Music by Mitchell Yaksh, flute, accompanied by Vivian Doublestein

Mitchell is a senior Music Performance major at North Greenville University in Tigerville, SC, and will graduate in May 2010. He has played flute and piano since the age of ten and has been in master classes with several world class flutists. He will be enrolling in graduate school next fall to pursue a Master's of Music in Music Theory and Composition.

The River Chase  
Turtle





**Ken and Madonna Brownlee toured Spain and Majorca in May-June** with a group of organ professors and organ builders from Tasmania, Australia, Taiwan, Norway, Canada and the U.S. visiting 26 churches and playing 30 of the best organs in Europe built from the baroque, the oldest being 1469, to the present.

We played the largest organ in Spain at the largest church in Spain which was the Madrid Cathedral. This was a new organ built by the Barcelona organ builder Gerhard Grenzing, one of the finest organ builders in the world today. His daughter was one of our tour leaders. One of the organs was built in 1765 in Santanyi, Majorca by Jordi Bosch when he was 26 yrs. old. It is still one of the finest organs in Europe. The pipes were brought to the location via donkey. Both the churches and the organs were highly ornate art forms, the organs being of the highest quality and

thrilling to play. Highlights were the walled cities of Salamanca, Avila and Toledo, all UNESCO World Heritage Sites. The Barcelona Palace of Music is so valuable that you have to have a passport to enter. It is one of the highest forms of Art Deco architecture in the world.

**Come to the lecture/recital I will present for the Atlanta Music Club Nov. 11 at 10:30 a.m. at the First Church of Christ, Scientist located at 150-15th St. across from the Woodruff Arts Center and you will hear more about this. Hope to see you there. *Madonna***



### **News update from our lovely, talented 2006 Scholarship Winner Heather Harz, writes:**

"I am doing wonderfully, actually. I'm about to begin my senior year at NYU, and I have not one but two recitals to prepare for and perform before I graduate in May. I did study abroad last fall in Prague and studied with the piccolo player of the Czech Philharmonic--what a wonderful experience that was! Besides spending much of my time practicing, I've become interested in many other things besides pure performance. I've spent the past two summers interning with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra working on projects in different departments, and I've discovered a passion for working behind the scenes. At the moment, although my love will always lie in performing, especially chamber music as I'm heavily involved in New York, I am planning to pursue a career in arts administration. I'm applying to different internships and graduate programs in New York and elsewhere, and we will see where I end up! I've made wonderful connections and I truly feel I am headed in a grand and fantastic direction. I could not be happier!! I am now officially a New Yorker. My home address is 2768 Wyndcliff Way, Marietta, GA 30066 and my present address is 612 President Street, Apt. 2, Brooklyn, NY 11215."

**(In 2006 Kay Alvelda was president and Beth Stedman was V.P. of Scholarships)**



### **Want an Invitation to a Special Celebration of W. A. Mozart's 243rd birthday???**

Just become a **Patron** and you will be invited to Mozart's Birthday Party to be held on **January 30, 2010**. This favorite event of Pro-Mozart features a house party with elegant food, intimate home setting, live classical music, and some other fun activities in honor of our most esteemed composer.

At the member's party, or when you send in your membership form, just ask to be a **Patron** and you too can celebrate Mozart's birthday in style. This year's party will be held at the home of Mary Ann Hill-Meehan in Alpharetta. Easy access, lots of parking and a great way to support our organization. Questions? Call Mary Ann at 770-772-4185.

## A Message from Our President



**WARM GREETINGS** to our members and friends,

Summer is almost over and we eagerly anticipate all that's before us as we begin our NEW and exciting 46<sup>th</sup> SEASON!

We "kick things off" with our Members' and Prospective Members' Party, Sunday afternoon, September 27<sup>th</sup> at the River Chase Club House, 6260 River Chase Circle, NW 30328, from 2:30 – 5:30. This lovely setting is on the Chattahoochee River, and promises to be a different and special venue for our PRELUDE event. Our hosts for this occasion are: Lance Solaroli, Shirley Ebert, along with John and Audra Kapsaroff; who are residents of River Chase.

Mitchell Yaksh, flutist, his accompanist, and a small ensemble from The Atlanta Community Symphony

Orchestra will be our musical guests.

You will enjoy the delicious food prepared by our new Hospitality Couple, Amanda and Larry Price. PLEASE bring your friends who may be interested in joining our growing society, and plan to renew your membership (if applicable). Also, consider renewing as a Patron. Upgrading your membership to this level will help Pro-Mozart continue to offer the very best in classical music performances and you will also be invited to our annual Patrons' (Mozart's Birthday) Party.

Our first concert with Anthony Pulgram, tenor, will be November 8<sup>th</sup> at Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church, 805 Mount Vernon Highway NW. Anthony is an OUTSTANDING Opera Singer and one of our past Scholarship Winners. You will not want to miss his performance! He will be accompanied by William Ransom.

Next, our Holiday Gala Noël will be really EXCELLENT this year and will be hosted by Derrell and June Ray, who live at 420 Peachtree Battle Avenue. June is an Interior Designer, Fashion Designer, Sculptor, and owns LA FENICE Shower Doors. Their home is lovely and will be perfect for this festive party; which is the main FUND RAISER for our Scholarship fund.

We have several new members and some are also part of our Executive Board. Welcome to each and every one of you!! We are certain to have one of our best seasons ever; so make your plans NOW to be with us...you will not be disappointed!

Yours for great music, Kevin Pritchett

### Dear Pro-Mozart Members and Friends,



Our fundraiser for this year is our Holiday Gala Noël on Dec. 5, 2009 at the home of June & Derrell Ray, 420 Peachtree Battle Ave., Atlanta, GA 30305. As your chair this year, I am seeking auction items from our membership. Please look around your home, attic or basement. I am sure you will find something of value that we can put in our silent auction. You will get a tax credit and help make money to send an artist to Salzburg, Austria to study. Whether your item is large or small, we can make arrangements to pick up your treasure, or you can bring them to our Sept. 27 **Members and Prospective Members Party** at the River Chase Club House at 6260 River Chase Circle, Atlanta, 30328.

I also need volunteers to help me in many areas with this wonderful "Party." Some jobs are very small and some take more time, but anything you can do to help would be greatly appreciated. And you will be one of the reasons our Holiday Gala Noël will be a huge success. Call Jane Echols-Nauman, Gala Chair at 404-255-3058 or e-mail [LadyJaneAtlanta@bellsouth.net](mailto:LadyJaneAtlanta@bellsouth.net). We can make this a BIG one with your support and donations. If you work for a corporation, perhaps they would like to become "corporate" donors. If you need donor forms, call me. **LET'S MAKE THIS THE**

**BIGGEST AND BEST EVER.** *Jane Nauman*



The Committee above is hard at work for the **December 5, 2009, Holiday Gala Noël**. L to R: Sherry Pritchett, Kevin Pritchett (President), Marilyn Dietrichs (Past President), Jane Nauman, (Gala Chairman), Derrell and June Ray, (Hosts). Back row: L to R. Michael Knight, (Scholarship Co-Chairman), Madonna Brownlee, (Member-at-Large), Don Dietrichs, Kay Alvelda (Past President), Mary-Ann Hill Meehan (Past President and Patron's Circle), Phil Alvelda, and Bob Nauman, Membership Chairman.



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