ZLATA CHOCHIEVA

Piano

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024 | 7:30 P.M. CASPARY AUDITORIUM

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PROGRAM

Alexander Scriabin (1872-1915)

5 Preludes, Op. 15

No. 1 in A Major

No. 2 in F-sharp Minor

No. 3 in E Major

No. 4 in E Major

No. 5 in C-sharp Minor

Frédéric Chopin (1810-1849)

12 Etudes, Op. 10

No. 1 in C Major
No. 2 in A Minor
No. 3 in E Major
No. 4 in C-sharp Minor
No. 5 in G-flat Major (Black Keys)
No. 7 in C Major
No. 8 in F Major
No. 9 in F Minor
No. 10 in A-flat Major
No. 11 in E-flat Major

No. 6 in E-flat Minor No. 12 in C Minor (Revolutionary)

INTERMISSION

(15 minutes)

Frédéric Chopin (1810-1849)

Polonaise-fantaisie in A-flat Major, Op. 61

Sergey Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

Variations on a theme of Chopin, Op. 22

Tema. Largo Variation No. 12 – Moderato
Variation No. 1 – Moderato Variation No. 13 – Largo
Variation No. 2 – Allegro Variation No. 14 – Moderato

Variation No. 3 – (L'istesso tempo) Variation No. 15 – Allegro-scherzando

Variation No. 4 – (L'istesso tempo)

Variation No. 5 – Meno mosso

Variation No. 16 – Lento

Variation No. 17 – Grave

Variation No. 18 – Più mosso

Variation No. 7 – Allegro

Variation No. 19 – Allegro vivace

Variation No. 8 – (L'istesso tempo) Variation No. 20 – Presto Variation No. 9 – (L'istesso tempo) Variation No. 21 – Andante Variation No. 10 – Più vivo Variation No. 22 – Maestoso –

Variation No. 11 – Lento Meno mosso – Presto

Program and personnel subject to change.

As a courtesy to the artist, please remain seated until she has left the hall. Zlata Chochieva appears by arrangement with Arts Management Group, Inc.

FEATURING

Zlata Chochieva

Piano

Writing in *Gramophone* of **Zlata Chochieva's** sensational recording of the Chopin Etudes, being included in *Gramophone's* list of 10 greatest Chopin recordings, critic Jeremy Nicholas exclaimed, "it is certainly one of the most consistently inspired, masterfully executed, and beautiful-sounding versions I can recall."

At only four years old, Ms. Chochieva made her first stage appearance and, just three years later, gave her debut with orchestra performing a Mozart Concerto at Grand Hall of Moscow State Conservatory. Since then, she has given concerts in Herkulessaal Munich, Concertgebouw Amsterdam, Philharmonie de Paris, Wigmore Hall, Teatro La Fenice in Venice, Konzerthaus Berlin, Elbphilharmonie Hamburg, Victoria Hall in Geneva, Tivoli Concert Hall in Copenhagen, Casa da Música Porto, and Taiwan's National Kaohsiung Center for the Arts. Ms. Chochieva has performed with numerous major orchestras, including Russian National Orchestra, Russian State Symphony Orchestra, BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra, Copenhagen Philharmonic, Munich Chamber Orchestra, and Orchestre Philharmonique de Nice. Conductors she has enjoyed working with include Mikhail Pletnev, Simon Gaudenz, Terje Mikkelsen, and Tugan Sokhiev.

Ms. Chochieva has been regularly invited to leading music festivals, including the Miami International Piano Festival, where Ms. Chochieva returns regularly for teaching, masterclasses, and performing, Gilmore Keyboard Festival, "Rarities of Piano Music" in Husum, Zaubersee Festival Lucerne, and the Lugano Festival "Il Progetto Martha Argerich." Along with an orchestral repertoire of over 50 concerti, she is a devoted chamber music performer having worked with Stephen Kovacevic, Lynn Harrell, Gilles Apap, and Jacquelyn Wagner, among others.

Born in Moscow, Ms. Chochieva now resides in Berlin. A protege of Mikhail Pletnev at Central Special Music School, she also studied with Pavel Nersessian at Moscow State Conservatory. She completed her studies at Mozarteum University of Salzburg with Jacques Rouvier and was subsequently his assistant for several years. Having acquired many international competition prizes over the years, Ms. Chochieva moves on from competing and often joins the jury, and was part of the esteemed panel for the 15th Geza Anda Competition in Zurich. In 2018, she established the International Festival at Rachmaninoff's estate in Ivanovka and serves as its Director.

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