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Prizewinning Pianists to Perform in Middlebury, Indiana

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MIDDLEBURY, Ind. – Two prizewinning young artists are excited to perform a thrilling program of classical piano works at the First United Methodist Church of Middlebury on September 29 at 3 p.m. Hong Kong pianist Hin-Sing Au and South Korean pianist Seungkyu Oh are DMA students from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music with musical gifts that have been lauded in the U.S. and abroad. In addition to earning full scholarships at IU and awards at multiple competitions, both pianists are alumni of elite summer festivals such as the Rebecca Penneys Piano Festival (RPPF).

RPPF Satellite Concerts present RPPF alumni in live community performances to support their rising careers and to spread the magic of RPPF beyond its annual programming at the University of South Florida in Tampa, Florida. Middlebury, Indiana and Stuart, Florida have been recently added to complement the robust summer schedule as awareness of this world-renowned festival extends its reach.

Launched in 2013, RPPF is a tuition-free piano festival that continues the rich traditions and legacy of this beloved instrument with 25 celebrated faculty and 40 top international collegiate pianists. It is a place to learn, grow, create, and excel. Students are offered a semester's worth of private lessons, nightly masterclasses, multiple outreach concerts, faculty forums, lecture performances, special topic classes, legacy soirées, and cultural excursions. The program is transformative, uniting pianists of different ages, backgrounds, and cultures in relationships that last a lifetime.





Hin-Sing Au and Seungkyu Oh will share a program of both new and traditional classical music at Middlebury, showcasing works that span the centuries. Au is presenting beloved masterpieces from Schumann and Debussy while Oh is eager to share compositions from a variety of Latin American composers, including Braga and Villa-Lobos.

First United Methodist Church of Middlebury is located at 720 South Main Street. The congregation welcomes any visitors willing to make the drive to hear these magnificent talents. Admission is free, although donations are encouraged. Attendees are invited to meet the artists at a reception immediately following the concert.

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