

Guest Artist Piano Masterclass - Prof. Esther Park

November 18, 2015, 7:30pm, SVS Recital Hall

Sonata in D major, Hob. XVI: 24

Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

I. Allegro

Connor Austell, junior

Pour le piano

Claude Debussy (1862-1918)

I. Prélude

Ryan Blok, junior

Etude-Tableaux in D minor, Op. 33, No. 5

Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

Angela Schmitt, junior

Piano Concerto in A minor, Op. 54 III. Allegro vivace Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

Da sol Um, sophomore

Pianist **Esther Park** has performed as a soloist with orchestras and in recitals across the United States as well as Asia and major European cities. Ms. Park has appeared as soloist with many orchestras such as Houston Symphony, Yale Philharmonia, Corpus Christi Symphony, Filharmonia Pomorska, Poland, Orchestra Filarmonica, Romania, Shanghai Philharmonic, China, Shreveport Symphony, the Juilliard Symphony, and the New Jersey Symphony.

Ms. Park gave a five-city recital tour in Korea, and has performed at the Juilliard Theater in NYC, Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center, Carnegie Halls' Weill Recital Hall, Salle Cortot in Paris, the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Palau de la Musica, Valencia, Spain and on the Kum-Ho Music society's Prodigy Series. She has appeared at the Music Academy of the West (Santa Barbara), the Aspen Music Festival, the Bowdoin Summer Music Festival in Maine, the Tel-Hai International Music Festival in Israel, and the Van Cliburn-TCU Institute in Texas. Ms. Park has been heard in New York on WQXR Radio station as the winner of the 52nd Kosciusko International Competition and the Gina Bachauer Competition.

Ms. Park is the winner of the 2013 Jose Roca International Piano Competition and 2013 Russian International Music Competition. She is the winner of 2009 "Prix Amadeo" and the 2009 Chopin Gesellschaft Klavierwettbewerb. Ms. Park also received top prizes at the 3rd San Marino International Piano Competition, the 3rd China Shanghai International Piano Competition, the 6th Paderewski International Piano Competition, the National Chopin Competition (USA), Hilton Head International Competition, the 14th New Orleans International Piano Competition and is the recipient of the President Clinton's Prodigy Award.

Born in Pusan, Korea in 1984, Ms. Park began to play in public soon after her first piano lessons at the age of four. Ms. Park moved to the United States in 1995, after being accepted to the Juilliard School's Pre-College division. Ms. Park has completed the undergraduate and graduate degrees from the Juilliard School, studying with Yoheved Kaplinsky. Ms Park has also studied at the Hochschule fur Musik und Theater, Hannover, under the tutelage of Mr. Bernd Goetzke. Ms Park has since received the Artist Diploma and Master of Musical Arts degrees at the Yale School of Music under the guidance of Mr. Boris Berman. Ms. Park is Assistant Professor of Piano at East Tennessee State University.

Please join us for Esther Park's Recital featuring Schumann's *Kreisleriana* and Debussy's *Images* tomorrow. Thursday, November 19, 2015, 7:30pm, SVS Recital Hall