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- Jon Robertson, dean

There are a number of ways by which you can help us fulfill our mission:

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The Friends of the Conservatory of Music is a volunteer organization formed to promote high quality performance education for exceptionally talented young musicians.

For some students, meeting the costs associated with a conservatory education can be challenging. This dedicated group provides financial support for many annual and endowed scholarships. Since its establishment in 2003, the Friends have raised significant funds through annual gifts and special events. The Gingerbread Holiday Concert is chief among them.

The Friends gather through the year for three afternoon concerts and the annual Friendship Tea, which is a thank you to all donors. Friends of the Conservatory donors also receive free access to the Lynn University Music Library and are able to purchase tickets to Conservatory performances before the general public.

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**BAK Piano Showcase and Performance Workshop**

**with Dr. Roberta Rust**

**Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.**

Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall
Boca Raton, Fla.
Admission free

**Sonata in G Major Hob.XVI/27**

J. Haydn (1732-1809)

Kathleen Nguyen, piano

**Etudes Op. 109**

L’orage #13

Deven Seedial, piano

March from #17

Marcus Amoranto, piano

La Filleuse #18

Alan Bencosme, piano

**Valse Op. 69 #2**

Sara Abdo, piano

**Mazurka**

Maria Arat, piano

**Souvenirs from Ballet Suite Op. 28**

II. Scottische

Jason Ibalarrosa and Martin Lu, piano duet

**Six Preludes for Piano**

I. Vivace

II. Lento

III. Allegro Marcato

Gabriel Sun, piano

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Bak MSOA (Middle School of the Arts) is an arts community that promotes creativity and citizenship both on and off campus. Teachers, staff, students, and parents work together to promote and foster a caring, supportive, and nurturing environment. Our diverse student population is provided with an unparalleled arts education, while being the 3rd ranked academic achieving public middle school in the State of Florida.

The Piano Department at BAK Middle School of the Arts, under the direction of Dr. Estibaliz Gastesi, focuses on developing the piano student in general musicianship skills through performance, analysis, critical thinking, and artistic imagination. The curriculum taught focuses on developing proper piano technique, theory, ear training, and musicianship skills. In addition, the students are taught in master classes with international professional pianists.

Students at BAK perform all around Palm Beach in institutions such as Norton Museum, with Kretzer kids, solo/ensemble, PBCMTA, and at Steinway. For more information please visit www.bakmsoamusic.org

Demonstrating a strong commitment to the next generation with a highly motivational and inspiring approach to teaching, Roberta Rust serves as Artist Faculty-Piano/Professor and Head of the Piano Department at the Conservatory of Music at Lynn University in Boca Raton, Florida. She has given master classes at prominent institutions throughout Asia and the Americas including the San Francisco Conservatory, Colburn, Northwestern University and the Shanghai and Beijing Conservatories. Her outstanding students distinguish themselves in competitions and festivals and enjoy active careers in performance and education. Rust has served as a competition adjudicator, including events at the New World Symphony and the Chautauqua and Brevard Festivals.

Roberta Rust has concertized to critical acclaim around the globe since her debut as soloist with the Houston Symphony at age sixteen and as recitalist at Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall. The New York Times hailed her as “a powerhouse of a pianist - one who combines an almost frightening fervor and intensity with impeccable technique and spartan control.” Her many remarkable recordings feature music of Debussy, Haydn, Villa-Lobos, Prokofiev, and contemporary American composers. FANFARE Magazine notes, “she proves herself a first-rate Debussy player...This is quite simply one of the finest Debussy discs I have heard in recent memory.” She has performed as soloist with numerous orchestras including the New Philharmonic, Philippine Philharmonic, Boca Raton Symphonia, the New World Symphony, and orchestras in Latin America. In addition, she is a music critic for Clavier Companion Magazine. For more information please visit www.robertarust.com.