ca. 1729-30 by Giuseppe Guarneri del Gesu, and on several other violins by outstanding contemporary makers. Mr Oliveira is a Distinguished Artist in Residence at the Lynn University Conservatory of Music in Boca Raton, Florida.

Described by critics as possessing “Keen musical intelligence and excellent facility” (Miami Herald) as well as “opulent and romantic tone” (Fanfare), Chinese-American concert pianist and Steinway artist Tao Lin has performed in Asia, North America, and Europe. A versatile musician, he is equally at home as soloist, recitalist and chamber musician. As a soloist, he has performed with Moscow Chamber Orchestra, Winnipeg Symphony, Miami Chamber Orchestra, Knoxville Civic Orchestra amongst others. As a recitalist, he has performed at such prestigious venues as the Kennedy Center, National Gallery of Art, 92nd Street Y, Rockefeller University, Chautauqua Institute, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, Minnesota Orchestra Hall, Izumi Hall (Osaka, Japan), and Edvard Grieg Museum in Norway. A devoted chamber musician, Mr. Lin has concertized throughout the United States as a member of the Berlin Piano Quartet (with Jacques Thibaud String Trio) and the Brahms Piano Quartet (with St. Petersburg String Quartet). He has also appeared in concerts with Miami, Bergonzzi, Alcon, Rosalyra, and St. Petersburg String Quartets as well as distinguished musicians such as Elmar Oliveira, Roberto Diaz, William De Rosa, Charles Castleman, Eugenia Zukerman, Claudio Bohorquez and members of Metropolitan Opera, Philadelphia, St. Louis, National, Minnesota, Pittsburg, Cleveland, Atlanta, and Berlin Staatskapelle Orchestras. He is currently on faculty at the Conservatory of Music at Lynn University and Bowdoin International Music Festival. Mr. Lin has recorded for Artek, Romeo, Poinciana, and Piano Lovers labels. He is represented by Lisa Sapinkopf Artist Management.

Elmar Oliveira in Recital
Tao Lin, piano

Saturday, February 4, 2012
7:30 p.m.
Program

Sonata in E Flat Major, KV 302
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(1756-1791)

Allegro
Rondo: Andante grazioso

Sonata for Violin and Piano in G Major
Guillaume Lekeu
(1870-1894)

Très modéré
Très lent
Très animé

INTERMISSION

Violin Sonata No. 8 in G Major, op. 30 No. 2
Ludwig van Beethoven
(1770-1827)

Allegro assai
Tempo di Minuetto, ma molto moderato e grazioso
Allegro vivace

Tzigane
Maurice Ravel
(1875-1937)

Biographies

Elmar Oliveira is one of the most commanding violinists of our time, with his unsurpassed combination of impeccable artistry and old-world elegance. Mr. Oliveira is one of the few major artists committed to the entire spectrum of the violin world – constantly expanding traditional repertoire boundaries as a champion of contemporary music and rarely-heard works of the past, devoting energy to the development of the young artists of tomorrow, and enthusiastically supporting the art of modern violin and bow makers. Among his generation’s most honored artists, Elmar Oliveira remains the first and only American violinist to win the Gold Medal at Moscow’s Tchaikovsky International Competition. He is also the first violinist to receive the coveted Avery Fisher Prize, in addition to capturing First Prizes at the Naumburg International Competition and the G.B. Dealey Competition. Mr. Oliveira has become a familiar and much-admired figure at the world’s foremost concert venues. His rigorous international itinerary includes appearances in recital and with most of the world’s greatest orchestras, including the Zurich Tonhalle, Cleveland, Philadelphia, Leipzig, Gewandhaus Orchestras; the New York, Helsinki, Los Angeles and London Philharmonic Orchestras; and the San Francisco, Saint Louis, Boston, and Chicago Symphony Orchestras. He has also extensively toured Asia, South America, Australia and New Zealand. Mr. Oliveira’s repertoire is among the most diverse of any of today’s preeminent artists. He has premiered works by such distinguished composers as Penderecki, Gould, Laderman, Wuorinen, Tower, Kernis, Panufnik, Lees, Rosenman, Aitken, and Yardumian. He has also performed seldom-heard concerti by Ginastera, Rautavaara, Achron, Joachim, and many others. A prodigious recording artist, he is a three time Grammy nominee. His discography on Artek, Angel, SONY Masterworks, Vox, Delos, IMP, Naxos, Ondine, and Melodiya ranges widely from works by Bach and Vivaldi to the present. His best-selling recording of the Rautavaara Violin Concerto with the Helsinki Philharmonic (Ondine) won a Cannes Classical Award and has appeared on Gramophone’s “Editor’s Choice” and other Best Recordings lists around the world. He was also a Grammy nominee for his CD of the Barber Concerto with Leonard Slatkin and the Saint Louis Symphony as well as the Ernest Bloch and Benjamin Lees Concerti with John McLaughlin Williams and the National Orchestra of Ukraine. Mr. Oliveira has received honorary doctorates from the Manhattan School of Music and Binghamton University as well as the Order of Santiago, Portugal’s highest civilian honor. Elmar Oliveira performs on an instrument known as the “Stretton”, made...