Master of Music Recital David Pedraza, viola Dongfang Zhang, piano

Friday, April 25, 2008 7:30 p.m. Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall Lynn University Conservatory of Music Boca Raton, FL

Cello Suite No.4 in E-flat Major, BWV 1010

Johann Sebastian Bach Arranged for viola (1685-1750)

Prelude

Allemande

Courante

Sarabande

Bouree I - Bouree I - Bouree I

Gigue

Viola Concerto, Sz. 120

Moderato

Adagio religioso

Allegro vivace

Bela Bartok

(1881 - 1945)

Intermission

"La Campanella"

arranged by William Primrose

Nicolo Paganini

(1782 - 1840)

Viola Sonata in E-flat Major, op. 120, No. 2

Allegro amabile

Allegro appassionato

Andante con moto: Allegro

Johannes Brahms

(1833-1897)



Born in Reynosa-Mexico, David Pedraza started his viola studies at the age of 14 through the national youth orchestra program in Mexico under Jose Vazquez. After spending four years in this program, he auditioned to the Escuela Superior de Musica y Danza to study with Alicher Kamilov. In 2001, he won a full scholarship to study with Doris Lederer

of the Audubon Quartet at Shenandoah Conservatory. In 2003, after an international audition, David was invited to the Youth Orchestra of the Americas under Placido Domingo. Subsequently, he performed with them during the summer seasons 2003-2005. David has won prizes from the MTNA competition and from the State of Tamaulipas in Mexico and has participated in the 2006 Lionel Tertis International viola Competition. He has participated in the master classes of Carol Rodland, Jeffrey Irvine, Roberto Diaz, and Kim Kashkashian. On tours, he has played in countries such as Mexico, Costa Rica, Panama, Colombia, Ecuador, Venezuela, Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina, Peru and the UK. Last summer, David was a performing associate at the Bowdoin International Music Festival. Currently, he is enrolled in the Master of Music program at Lynn University Conservatory of Music and is a full scholarship student of Ralph Fielding.

Dongfang Zhang, pianist, was born in Suzhou, Jiangsu Province, China in 1984. Mr. Zhang started to learn piano at the age of 4. He studied in High School affiliated to Nanjing Arts Institute when he was 15 years old with Professor Chuan Qin. In 2003, he studied as an undergraduate student at Shanghai Normal University. He studied with Professor Meige Lee during the whole 4 years and got the Bachelor degree in 2007. He participated in various concerts and competitions since 12. Mr. Zhang obtained the Shanghai Musicians' Association's Piano Performance Level 10 for Amateurs (Highest Level) at 13. He performed many famous pieces in various concerts at the prestigious Lyceum Theatre, Shanghai. As a young pianist, Mr. Zhang obtained many prizes, such as the 4th Pearlriver Cup National Music Contest for Music Major Students in China. Presently, Mr. Zhang is a PPC (Professional Performance Certificate) student at Lynn University Conservatory, studying collaborative piano with Tao Lin.