



# Benjamin Kremer, violin

Bachelor of Music Junior Recital

Thursday, January 13, 2022

2021-2022 Season

Benjamin Kremer, violin  
Sheng-Yuan Kuan, piano

Thursday, January 13, 8:00 p.m.  
Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall

## Program

Romance No. 2 in F major, Op. 50

Ludwig van Beethoven  
(1770 – 1827)

Sonata for Violin and Piano (1943)

Aaron Copland  
(1900-1990)

Pieces for Violin and Piano, Op. 115

1. Auf der Heide (On the Heath)
2. Ballade
4. The Bells

Jean Sibelius  
(1865-1957)

Polonaise de Concert, No. 1 in D major, Op. 4

Henri Wieniawski  
(1835-1880)

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## Benjamin Kremer

Benjamin Kremer is from Charleston, South Carolina, and is currently studying at the Lynn Conservatory with Elmar Oliveira. He began studying the violin at the age of 5 with Mary Taylor, and has since studied with Sarah Johnson, Jan Mark Sloman, and Yuriy Bekker. He has also performed in masterclass for Robert McDuffie as part of the Labor Day Festival at Mercer University. Benjamin has performed as the winner of the Charleston Symphony Youth Orchestra Concerto Competition, a finalist in the Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra Youth Concerto Competition, and was the winner of the 2021 John Oliveira String Competition. He has also performed as concertmaster at the Brevard Music Center and with the All-National Honor Orchestra.

## Sheng-Yuan Kuan

Praised for her “admirable technical finesse and expressive flair” (*Baltimore Sun*), pianist Sheng-Yuan Kuan has garnered enthusiastic receptions for her solo and chamber music performances at the Kennedy Center, Weill Recital Hall, Taiwan National Concert Hall, Musikverein in Vienna, and various music festivals and concert series throughout the US. Sheng-Yuan’s collaborations with renowned musicians such as Nobuko Imai, Stefan Jackiw, Stephen Taylor, Espen Lilleslatten, Richard Stolzman, Keng-Yuen Tseng, Chad Hoopes, members of the Parker Quartet and Apollo Trio, Sir Angel Romero, Time for Three, and Latin Grammy Award winning flautist Nestor Torres, reflect her passion in making chamber music of eclectic styles.

Born in Taipei, Taiwan, Sheng-Yuan relocated to America to further her music education. She holds a D.M.A. degree from the Peabody Conservatory, M.M. degree from Yale School of Music, and B.M. degree from the Manhattan School of Music, studying with famous pedagogues like Boris Slutsky, Peter Frankl, Scott McCarrey and Constance Keene. She obtained awards at competitions worldwide, including the 13th Beethoven Piano Competition in Vienna (Best Female Pianist Award, 2009), the 12th Taipei Chopin International Piano Competition (3rd Prize, 2008), Corpus Christi International Competition in Texas (2nd Prize, 2008), New York Kosciuszko Chopin Piano Competition (3rd Prize, 2003), and BYU-Hawaii Concerto Competition (Winner, 2000). She was also the recipient of Honolulu Morning Music Club Scholarship, Peabody Institute of Music’s Career Development Grant, Chamber Music Award and Accompanying Assistantship.

Currently a resident in south Florida, Sheng-Yuan performs regularly as a member of A’s Duo, Con Brio Ensemble, Scherzo Trio, Trio Rodin, and South Florida Chamber Ensemble. She serves as piano faculty at the Heifetz International Music Institute as well as staff collaborative pianist and adjunct keyboard instructor at Lynn University Conservatory of Music in Boca Raton, FL.



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– Jon Robertson, dean

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