

About Our Pianist

Stuart Leitch is a native of Michigan. He studied at Oberlin College, Valparaiso University, and with private teachers in Chicago.

From 1962 to 1965 he was a member of the ONCE ensemble in Ann Arbor, an influential group led by Robert Ashley and Gordon Mumma, with guest appearances by national and international leaders of the musical avant-garde, including John Cage, Morton Feldman and Luigi Nono. Also participating were innovative figures in cinema and dance, including Robert Rauschenberg and the Judson Dance Theater.

In New York from 1965 to 1970 he transcribed books of country blues in collaboration with the guitarist Stefan Grossman. He also worked with a rock band, Children of Paradise, touring, recording, and creating music for Brian De Palma's early film *Hi, Mom!*

After a summer at Tanglewood he moved to the Chicago area to work in opera, coaching singers privately and accompanying rehearsals for Lyric Opera of Chicago and Chicago Opera Theater. He founded Chamber Opera Chicago and directed it for three years.

He was staff accompanist for a year at Northern Illinois University, then shifted his focus to solo piano and chamber music. In Chicago he played in the Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concerts, in Schubertiade Chicago, and in broadcast performances on WFMT-FM. Some of his best performances were premieres and recordings of music by the great American composer George Flynn.

In 2012 he returned to Grand Rapids to live near his family, working as a private teacher, accompanist, church musician, music copyist and editor, and making recordings in his home studio. He has performed twice with Grand Rapids Ballet, and plays bimonthly solo piano recitals at First Congregational Church in Rockford which he repeats in Lake Forest, north of Chicago. He founded and directs Schubertiade Oak Park, an annual marathon concert around the date of Schubert's birthday.

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Student Recital

1:00 P.M.
Saturday, May 30, 2015
First Congregational Church
192 Bridge Street
Rockford, Michigan

Stuart Leitch, piano

Title	Played by	Composer
Song of the Wind	Kaley Craig	Folk Song
Minuet I	Patrick Latchana	J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
Minuet II	Miriam Lam	J.S. Bach
Musette	Krishna Mano	J.S. Bach
Orange Blossom Special	Grace Cooley	Traditional (Arr. Charles A. Hall)
Two Gavottes in D Major	Vishnu Mano	J.S. Bach

Title	Played by	Composer
Film Medley:	Vishnu Mano	
Theme from "Jurassic Park"		John Williams (1932-)
Theme from "Star Wars"		
Darth Vader's Theme from "The Empire Strikes Back"		
He's A Pirate from "Pirates of the Caribbean"		Klaus Badelt (1967-)
Humoresque	Angela Yang	A. Dvorak (1841-1904)
Concerto No. 5 (3rd Mvt.)	Camryn Stabler	F. Seitz (1848-1918)
Concerto in G Major (1st mvt.)	Sophie Yang	F.J. Haydn (1732-1809)
Canon in D	Camryn Stabler Sophie Yang Angela Yang Clare Sherman, cello	J. Pachelbel (1653-1706)