CAL PERFORMANCES 2009/10 SEASON

Calendar of Events

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SEPTEMBER 2009

Mark Morris Dance Group Mark Morris, director/choreographer with MMDG Music Ensemble Wolfram Koessel, cello Colin Fowler, piano Michi Wiancko, violin Jessica Troy, viola Georgy Valtchev, violin Thursday, September 17, 8:00 p.m. Saturday, September 19, 8:00 p.m. Sunday, September 20, 3:00 p.m.

Dance.

Empire Garden (2009): set to Charles Ives's Trio for Violin, Cello and Piano; choreography by Mark Morris (West Coast premiere)

Visitation (2009): set to Ludwig van Beethoven's Sonata for Piano and Cello No. 4, Op. 102, No. 1; choreography by Mark Morris (West Coast premiere)

V (2001): set to Robert Schumann's Quintet in E-flat major for Piano and Strings, Op. 44; choreography by Mark Morris

Wynton Marsalis

& the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra

Zellerbach Hall \$32/\$46/\$68/\$80

Tuesday, September 22, 8:00 p.m.

Jazz. With over 30 albums, nine Grammy Awards and a Pulitzer Prize, Wynton Marsalis is a legend in his own time. He returns with the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra; program TBA.

Zellerbach Hall \$38/\$52/\$68 Saturday, September 26, 8:00 p.m. Sunday, September 27, 7:00 p.m. 20th Century Music & Beyond. The American premiere of A House in Bali, a dance-opera by composer Evan Ziporyn with libretto by Paul Schick.

Christine Brewer, soprano Craig Rutenberg, piano Sunday, September 27, 3:00 p.m.

Recital. Grammy winning American soprano Christine Brewer makes her recital debut at Cal Performances, program TBA.

Michael Pollan

A House in Bali

Evan Ziporyn, composer

Victoria Vaughan, director

with Bang on a Can All-Stars

Paul Schick, libretto

Real Time Opera

Wednesday, September 30, 8:00 p.m.

Strictly Speaking. Michael Pollan, author of The Omnivore's Dilemma (2007) and In Defense of Food (2008), is presented in association with the College of Letters & Sciences' On *the Same Page* program.

OCTOBER 2009

Takács Quartet

Sunday, October 11, 3:00 p.m. Chamber Music. Haydn/Quartet in B-flat major, Op. 71, No. 1; Shostakovich/Quartet No. 11 in F minor, Op. 122; and Schumann/Quartet in A minor, Op. 41, No. 1

Wayne Shorter Quartet

Saturday, October 17, 8:00 p.m.

Jazz. A pillar of the jazz establishment, saxophonist Wayne Shorter performs with his quartet: Danilo Pérez (piano), John Patitucci (bass) and Brian Blade (drums).

Michael Schade, tenor

Malcolm Martineau, piano

Sunday, October 18, 3:00 p.m.

Recital. German-Canadian tenor Michael Schade performs in recital with pianist Malcolm Martineau, program TBA.

Zellerbach Hall \$32/\$50/\$68

Hertz Hall \$46

Hertz Hall \$46

Zellerbach Hall

\$16/\$24/\$30

Hertz Hall \$52

Zellerbach Hall

\$28/\$40/\$52

Davitt Moroney, harpsichord

Saturday, October 24, 8:00 p.m. Sunday, October 25, 3:00 p.m.

> *Music Before 1850.* Program A (Oct. 24): J. S. Bach/*Well-Tempered Clavier*, Book 1 Program B (Oct. 25): J. S. Bach/*Well-Tempered Clavier*, Book 2

The Suzanne Farrell Ballet

Suzanne Farrell, artistic director Saturday, October 24, 8:00 p.m. Sunday, October 25, 3:00 p.m.

Dance.

Program A (Oct. 24): *The Balanchine Couple* featuring pas de deux from nine Balanchine ballets, with onstage narration by Suzanne Farrell. Pas de deux include those from *Apollo, La Sonnambula, La Valse, Agon, Meditation, Chaconne* and *Stars and Stripes*, plus "The Unanswered Question" from *Ivesiana* and "Pas de Mauresque" from *Don Quixote*.

Program B (Oct. 25): Solos and pas de deux from Balanchine's *Agon*; "Pas d'Action" from *Divertimento No. 15*; "Contrapuntal Blues pas de deux" from *Clarinade*; and "Scene d'amour" from Béjart's *Romeo and Juliet*.

Garrison Keillor

Wednesday, October 28, 8:00 p.m.\$34/\$48/\$60/\$76Strictly Speaking.An American original, A Prairie Home Companion host GarrisonKeillor returns for an evening of his trademark humor.

Alfred Brendel

Wheeler Auditorium \$32

Hertz Hall

\$52

Zellerbach Hall

On Character in Music Friday, October 30, 8:00 p.m.

Strictly Speaking. Retired after 60 years on the concert stage, legendary pianist Alfred Brendel will discuss the music of Beethoven and perform excerpts from Beethoven's sonatas.

NOVEMBER 2009

Louis Lortie, piano Sunday, November 1, 3:00 p.m.

Recital. "One of a half-dozen pianists worth dropping everything to hear" (*Daily Telegraph*, London), Canadian pianist Louis Lortie comes to Hertz Hall; program TBA.

Zellerbach Hall \$34/\$48/\$60

Hertz Hall

\$38

Shakespeare's Globe Theatre Love's Labour's Lost Wednesday–Friday, November 4–6, 8:00 p.m. Saturday, November 7, 2:00 p.m. [FF] & 8:00 p.m. Sunday, November 8, 3:00 p.m. <i>Theater.</i> Mixing "bare-faced cheek with bare-cheeked botto the famed Globe Theatre comes to Cal Performances with William Labour's Lost.	
Brentano String Quartet Sunday, November 8, 3:00 p.m. <i>Chamber Music.</i> Schubert/"Quartettsatz" in C minor, D. 703 (D. 887); and Britten/Quartet No. 3	Hertz Hall \$48 ; Quartet in G major, Op. 161
Youssou N'Dour Thursday, November 12, 8:00 p.m. <i>World Stage.</i> "One of the great singers…of the world" (<i>The</i> Senegal's star Youssou N'Dour returns.	Zellerbach Hall \$30/\$42/\$56 <i>Guardian</i> , London),
Nuccia Focile, soprano & David Lomelí, tenor Berkeley Symphony Orchestra Robert Cole, conductor Sunday, November 15, 3:00 p.m. <i>Recital.</i> Soprano Nuccia Focile will be joined by the Berkel tenor David Lomelí, program TBA.	Hertz Hall \$48 ley Symphony Orchestra and
Druid Ireland <i>The Walworth Farce</i> Wednesday–Friday, November 18–20, 8:00 p.m. Saturday, November 21, 2:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. Sunday, November 22, 3:00 p.m. <i>Theater.</i> Galway's famed theater company, Druid Ireland, b <i>Walworth Farce</i> to the Bay Area.	Zellerbach Playhouse \$72 prings Enda Walsh's <i>The</i>
Mariza Thursday, November 19, 8:00 p.m. <i>World Stage.</i> "Destined to become one of the world's great Mozambique-born <i>fado</i> superstar Mariza returns.	Zellerbach Hall \$24/\$36/\$48/\$60 divas" (<i>The Times of London</i>),
Taylor Eigsti & Julian Lage Duo Saturday, November 21, 8:00 p.m. <i>Jazz.</i> Two-time Grammy nominee pianist Taylor Eigsti per Lage.	Wheeler Auditorium \$36 rforms with guitarist Julian

China Philharmonic Orchestra

Long Yu, music director and conductor \$28/\$40/\$60 Yuja Wang, piano Sunday, November 22, 3:00 p.m. Orchestra. Bao Yuankai/China Air Suite; and Rachmaninoff/Piano Concerto No. 2

DECEMBER 2009

The Tallis Scholars

Friday, December 4, 8:00 p.m.

Music Before 1850. The London-based Tallis Scholars celebrate the holidays with Josquin's spectacular Missa De Beata Virgine in addition to works by Nesbett, Tallis and Byrd.

Ira Glass

Radio Stories & Other Stories Saturday, December 5, 8:00 p.m.

Strictly Speaking. Ira Glass, producer and host of NPR's This American Life, returns solo for an unmoderated talk about his work; a Q&A with the audience will follow.

Renée Fleming, soprano

Sunday, December 6, 7:00 p.m.

Special Event. Grammy Award-winning soprano Renée Fleming brings her vocal artistry, program TBA.

Mark Morris Dance Group The Hard Nut

Friday, December 11, 7:00 p.m. Saturday, December 12, 2:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. Sunday, December 13, 3:00 p.m. Thursday & Friday, December 17 & 18, 7:00 p.m. Saturday, December 19, 2:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. Sunday, December 20, 3:00 p.m.

Dance. Mark Morris's The Hard Nut, a delightful twist on the Nutcracker ballet and a Bay Area holiday favorite, is performed by Mark Morris Dance Group with the Berkeley Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Robert Cole.

Kronos Quartet

with Joan Jeanrenaud, cello

Sunday, December 13, 7:00 p.m.

20th Century Music & Beyond. Joined by former quartet member, cellist Joan Jeanrenaud, the Kronos Quartet presents the world premiere of a new quintet composed for the artists by Vladimir Martynov; and other works TBA.

Zellerbach Hall \$36/\$48/\$62

Hertz Hall

\$50

Zellerbach Hall

\$48/\$68/\$80/\$100

First Congregational Church

Zellerbach Hall

\$52

Zellerbach Hall

\$20/\$28/\$36

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JANUARY 2010

Garrick Ohlsson, piano

Sunday, January 10, 3:00 p.m.

Recital. Chopin/Impromptu in F-sharp major, Op. 36; Ballade in A-flat major, Op. 47; Fantasy in F minor, Op. 49; Two Nocturnes, Op. 27 (No. 1 in C-sharp minor and No. 2 in D-flat major); Scherzo in C-sharp minor, Op. 39; and Twenty-four Preludes, Op. 28

Peking Acrobats

Saturday, January 23, 2:00 p.m. [FF] Sunday, January 24, 3:00 p.m. [FF]

World Stage. Direct from the People's Republic of China, the elite Peking Acrobats mesmerize audiences with its "virtually unbelievable" (Los Angeles Times) ancient Chinese folk acrobatics, juggling, cycling and tumbling.

Europa Galante

with Fabio Biondi, director and violin Saturday, January 23, 8:00 p.m.

Music Before 1850. One of the most influential figures of the Baroque period-instrument movement, Fabio Biondi and his renowned Europa Galante perform works by Telemann. Sammartini, Nardini, Corelli and Locatelli.

FEBRUARY 2010

Masters of Persian Music

Saturday, February 13, 8:00 p.m. \$26/\$38/\$48/\$60 World Stage. Featuring Hossein Alizadeh (tar), Kayhan Kalhor (kamancheh) and Hamid Reza Nourbakhsh (vocals).

Takács Quartet

Sunday, February 14, 3:00 p.m. \$52 Chamber Music. Haydn/Quartet in D major, Op. 71, No. 2; James Macmillan/Quartet No. 3 (written for Takács); and Schumann/Quartet in F major, Op. 41, No. 2

Russian National Orchestra Zellerbach Hall Mikhail Pletnev, conductor \$28/\$40/\$60 Stefan Jackiw, violin Lisa Delan, soprano Friday, February 19, 7:30 p.m. Orchestra. Pletnev/Yeats Song Cycle; Tchaikovsky/Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 35; and Shostakovich/Symphony No. 9

First Congregational Church

\$52

Hertz Hall

Zellerbach Hall

Zellerbach Hall

\$24/\$32/\$46

Angélique Kidjo

Saturday, February 20, 8:00 p.m.

World Stage. The electrifying Angélique Kidjo sings in French, English-jazz vocalese and her native Fon/Yoruba language.

Joshua Bell, violin

Sunday, February 21, 3:00 p.m. \$36/\$46/\$68/\$86 Special Event. Recipient of the 2007 Avery Fisher Prize for achievement and excellence in music, violinist Joshua Bell performs in a Cal Performances special event.

Lyon Opera Ballet

Friday & Saturday, February 26 & 27, 8:00 p.m.

Dance.

Duo (1996): music by Thom Willems; choreography by William Forsythe Bella Figura (1995): music by Giovanni Pergolesi, Antonio Vivaldi and Luigi Boccherini; choreography by Jiří Kylián

Grosse Fuge (1992): music by Ludwig van Beethoven; choreography by Anne Teresa De Keersmaeker

Swedish Radio Choir

Ragnar Bohlin, guest conductor Sunday, February 28, 3:00 p.m.

Chamber Music. Wikander/*Förvårskväll*; Werle/*Trees*; Hillborg/Moyyuom; Sandström/Lobet den Herrn; J. S. Bach/Singet dem Herrn; Mahler/Ich bin der Welt abhanden gekommen; Rorem/In Time of Pestilence; and Martin/Mass for Double Choir

MARCH 2010

Dan Zanes & Friends

Saturday, March 6, 11:00 a.m. [FF] & 4:00 p.m. [FF] Sunday, March 7, 3:00 p.m. [FF]

World Stage. 2007 Grammy-winner for his children's music, Dan Zanes & Friends return to Zellerbach Hall.

Alvin Ailev American Dance Theater

Tuesday–Friday, March 9–12, 8:00 p.m. Saturday, March 13, 2:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. Sunday, March 14, 3:00 p.m.

Dance. The acclaimed Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater comes to Berkeley for its annual residency.

Zellerbach Hall \$36/\$48/\$62

Zellerbach Hall

\$16/\$26

Hertz Hall \$52

Zellerbach Hall

Zellerbach Hall

\$38/\$52/\$68

Zellerbach Hall \$24/\$32/\$46

Hespèrion XXI

Jordi Savall, director and viola da gamba Tuesday, March 16, 8:00 p.m.

Music Before 1850. Lux Feminae (900–1600): Seven Portraits of the Woman in Ancient Hesperia.

Gilberto Gil

Wednesday, March 17, 8:00 p.m. \$36/\$48/\$68/\$76 World Stage. The king of Brazilian pop music and 2006 Grammy winner Gilberto Gil performs for one night only.

Altan

Friday, March 19, 8:00 p.m. \$20/\$28/\$36 World Stage. Celebrating the vibrant rhythms of County Donegal, Altan returns.

Moscow State Radio Symphony Orchestra Robert Cole, conductor Alexei Nabioulin, piano Saturday, March 20, 8:00 p.m. Orchestra. Tchaikovsky/Romeo and Juliet Overture; Rachmaninoff/Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini, Op. 43; and Rimsky-Korsakov/Scheherazade Symphonic Suite for Orchestra, Op. 35

Ian Bostridge, tenor
Julius Drake, piano
Sunday, March 21, 3:00 p.m.
Special Event. Tenor Ian Bostridge returns, program TBA.

Merce Cunningham Dance Company	Zellerbach Hall
Friday & Saturday, March 26 & 27, 8:00 p.m.	\$30/\$40/\$50
Dance.	
Nearly Ninety (2009): music by John Paul Jones,	Takehisa Kosugi and Sonic Youth;

choreography by Merce Cunningham

Julia Fischer, violin Hertz Hall Sunday, March 28, 3:00 p.m. \$46 Recital. Violinist Julia Fisher, one of the stars of the next generation of musicians, returns to Cal Performances, program TBA.

APRIL 2010

Hertz Hall Saimir Pirgu, tenor Sunday, April 11, 3:00 p.m. \$42 **Recital.** Albanian tenor Saimir Pirgu makes his Bay Area debut, program TBA.

Zellerbach Hall \$30/\$42/\$56/\$72

\$28/\$40/\$60

Zellerbach Hall

Zellerbach Hall

Zellerbach Hall

\$52

First Congregational Church

Baaba Maal

Tuesday, April 20, 8:00 p.m. \$24/\$32/\$46 World Stage. One of Africa's greatest musical treasures, Senegalese singer and guitarist Baaba Maal returns after a six-year absence.

Sweet Honey In The Rock

Thursday, April 22, 8:00 p.m. \$26/\$38/\$48/\$60 World Stage. The women of Grammy winning Sweet Honey In The Rock return with their soulful and inspirational music.

Arlo Guthrie

Guthrie Family Rides Again

Friday, April 23, 8:00 p.m.

World Stage. Arlo Guthrie—folk singer, musician, storyteller—brings three generations of his family to Cal Performances.

Pat Methenv, guitar

Saturday, April 24, 8:00 p.m.

Jazz. Jazz guitarist Pat Metheny performs solo guitar improvisations and his acoustically driven "Orchestrionics."

May 2010

Concerto Köln

Saturday, May 1, 8:00 p.m.

Music Before 1850. Specializing in the music of the 18th and 19th centuries, the Grammy winning musicians of Concerto Köln perform works by Bach, Sammartini, Vivaldi and Dauvergne.

Ballet Folklórico "Quetzalli" de Veracruz

Sunday, May 2, 3:00 p.m. [FF]

World Stage. Ballet Folklórico "Quetzalli" de Veracruz returns to Cal Performances with a veritable *fiesta* of Mexican culture and folklore.

Laurie Anderson

Two-Sided Plays

Friday & Saturday, May 7 & 8, 8:00 p.m.

Theater. Avant-garde musician and performance artist Laurie Anderson brings her new work, Two-Sided Plays, to Zellerbach Hall.

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First Congregational Church

\$24/\$30/\$38

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Subscriptions go on sale at noon on **April 22, 2009**, and can be purchased by series in discount packages ranging from \$55.00 to \$260.00. Series subscribers save up to 15% off single ticket prices, and a 10% discount on additional single tickets purchased at any time throughout the season. Patrons may also select "Choose-Your-Own" subscription packages of six or more events on a single order, receiving 10% off single ticket prices. The Family Fare series offers 50% off single ticket prices for children 16 and younger. **Family Fare** events for the 2009/10 season are **Shakespeare's Globe Theatre's** *Love's Labour's Lost* (Sat., Nov. 7 at 2:00 p.m.); **Peking Acrobats** (Sat., Jan. 23 at 2:00 p.m. or Sun., Jan 24 at 3:00 p.m.); **Dan Zanes & Friends** (Sat., Mar. 6 at 11:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. or Sun., Mar. 7 at 3 p.m.); and **Ballet Folklórico** "Quetzalli" de Veracruz (Sun., May 2 at 3:00 p.m.). Subscription orders may be placed online at <u>www.calperformances.org</u> or mailed, faxed to Cal Performances' Ticket Office at 510.643.2359, or phoned in to 510.642.9988.

Single tickets go on sale to subscribers and donors on July 26, to E-mail Club members on August 2 and to general public on August 9. Single tickets will be available for purchase by phone, in person, by mail, fax, or on-line. UCB students receive a 50% discount on single tickets. Cal Alumni Association members, UCB faculty and staff, senior citizens, and other students receive a \$5.00 discount (Special Events excluded). Discounts are also available for Groups of 10 or more (Special Events excluded). For more information, call Cal Performances at 510.642.9988, e-mail a brochure request to Cal Performances at tickets@calperfs.berkeley.edu or visit the Cal Performances web site at www.calperformances.org.

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