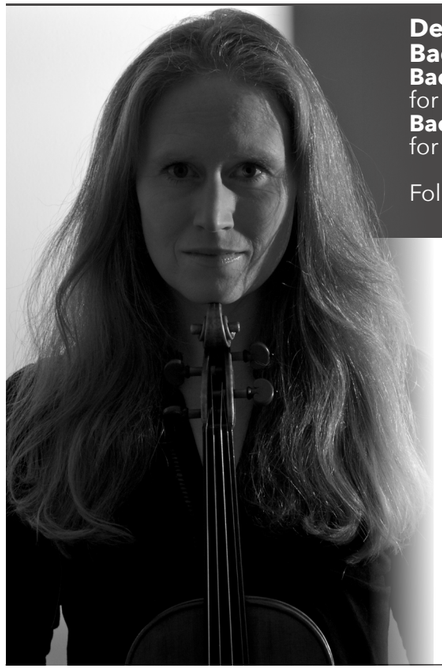
2021-22 Season

Louisa Stonehill - Violin, Paul Cohen - Cello & Nicholas Burns - Piano

The Marlborough House, 9 Ling St, Marlborough NH 03455



December 10 @ 7:30pm
Bach by Candlelight
Bach E major Partita No. 3 in E major for solo violin (BWV 1006)
Bach D minor Partita in D minor for solo violin (BWV 1004)

Followed by a Festive Celebration

January 30 2022 @ 3pm
Piano Quartets
Mozart Piano Quartet No.1 in G minor, K.478
Turina Piano Quartet in A minor Op.67
Brahms Piano Quartet No.1 in G minor

February 27 2022 @ 4pm
Steinberg Duo
Vaughan Williams The Lark Ascending
Ireland Sonata 1 in D minor
Elgar Violin Sonata

March 27 2022 @ 4pm
Piano Trios
Grieg Andante con moto
Schubert Piano Trio No.2 in E-flat

April 24 2022 @ 4pm
Works for Cello & Piano
Glazunov Elegie Op.17
Grieg Cello Sonata, in A minor, Op.36
Chopin Cello Sonata in G minor, Op.65

June 5 2022 @ 4pm
Piano Trios
Beethoven Piano Trio in B-flat major, Op. 97 'Archduke' (40')
Shostakovich Piano Trio No. 2 in E minor Op.67 (26')

March 20 2022 @ 4pm
The Moody Auditorium, Northfield MA
Piano Trios
Grieg Andante con moto
Schubert Piano Trio No.2 in E-flat

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December 2021 Newsletter

Recent Highlights:

- **Performances in 9 local schools reaching 1250 children**
- **2 Local School Performances at the Marlborough House**
- **3 Concerts at the Marlborough House**
- **2 Concerts for Thomas Aquinas College at the Moody Auditorium in Northfield, MA**

Stunned into Silence!

Imagine the scene, for the first time in two years, 300 children, ages 5-14 are gathered together in their school gym for a whole-school assembly. For the Kindergarten and First Grade, this is their first experience of an assembly. The teachers are nervous, the kids are excited and none of us, truthfully, know what will happen when we perform Mozart & Mendelssohn for them.

Then, just before the school principal introduces us, Louisa puts bow to string to check her tuning, quietly playing a gentle A-string. Necks snap in her direction, the chatter quietens and a magical silence descends on the room. There is no need to call for quiet, the children are ready, eager and attentive.

The sound of live music instantly attracts the children's attention. Time after time over the last few weeks, we have watched in wonder as each group of children has fallen silent in a similar way when they first hear the open strings of Louisa's violin. There is a tangible hunger for something real, something beautiful - the healing power of music.

We are delighted to report that our schools program is fully back up and running and we are well on our way to reaching our target of giving 40 school performances this season. After such a long break, it has been a thrill to share live music with over a thousand children in eleven different schools during the last few weeks. For so many, it is their first experience of hearing classical music live. Their reactions to Beethoven, Mozart, Mendelssohn, Schubert & Strauss have been sophisticated, enthusiastic and full of insight.

As you can imagine, this remains a challenging time to be a new, musical non-profit. Ashuelot Concerts is still a start-up organization; and yet, demand for our schools' program is likely to far exceed our capacity this year unless we can raise the funds to sustain this program and continue to grow.

We need your help to keep these school performances going through what will undoubtably be another whirlwind of a year!

Nick Burns & Louisa Stonehill
Artistic Directors

2021-2022 Season So Far...

September

Season opener at The Marlborough House NH & the first in a new series of concerts in Northfield MA in partnership with Thomas Aquinas College & The Moody Auditorium. 150 undergraduate students were joined by faculty and their families along with members of the public for a program of Piano Trios by Schubert, Beethoven & Brahms.

The Marlborough House NH

The Moody Auditorium, Northfield, MA

Franklin Elementary School

October

Re-launch of Ashuelot Concerts' School Program with performances of Beethoven & Mendelssohn Violin Sonatas for students at Franklin Elementary, St. Joseph's Regional School & Our Lady of Mercy Academy ahead of the Concert at The Marlborough House

November

Concerts at The Marlborough House & Moody Auditorium featuring music by Pärt, Mendelssohn, Mozart, Schubert & Strauss.

School performances in 7 local schools: Chesterfield, Trinity Christian, Surry Village Charter, Hinsdale Middle, Greenfield Elementary, Gathering Waters Elementary & Middle Schools.

Concert for Home-School Students & Parents at The Marlborough House.

St. Joseph's Regional School & Our Lady of Mercy Academy

Hinsdale Middle School

Greenfield Elementary School

Concert for Home-Schools at The Marlborough House

Gathering Waters Charter Schools

I loved your music! It made me feel magnificent! Your music is the best.

I loved the music. And I love the pieces of music you picked out. You cheered me up so much. I was really sad because my cat died but you made me happy.

Thank you for telling us about the differences beetween the songs, it was so cool to see someone do something that makes them Happy!

I loved the music and I love how kind they are

PLEASE DONATE TODAY!

Please make a donation today in support of our 2021-22 program. We have 14 additional new schools wishing to participate in this year's program subject to funding.

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