

### SUMMER/FALL 2024

As a center for the arts in Old East Dallas, St. Matthew's Cathedral Arts revives an ancient tradition of cathedral churches in proclaiming the presence of God through the beauty of human creativity, bringing vitality to St. Matthew's Cathedral, our neighborhood and greater Dallas.



# FREE AFTERNOON CONCERT ROMANTIC MASTERWORKS BY CESRE FRANCK Prelude. Cherale and Variation in B minor Frélude. Cherale and Fugue in B minor for soil plana Plana Quinter in f minor with CRIPERAL RETS ARTISH-N-RISBENCE MIKHAEL BERESTINEV plana GERE RAN, WOULTT violia ARRON BOWD ROMAID GISTON VIOLA LURA OSPINA cello SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER ZO al 3:00 PM fore admission & covered parking SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER ZO AL 3:00 PM fore admission & covered parking SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER ZO AL 3:00 PM fore admission & covered parking SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER ZO AL 3:00 PM fore admission & covered parking SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER ZO AL 3:00 PM fore admission & covered parking SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER ZO AL 3:00 PM fore admission & covered parking SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER ZO AL 3:00 PM fore admission & covered parking SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER ZO AL 3:00 PM fore admission & covered parking SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER ZO AL 3:00 PM fore admission & covered parking SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER ZO AL 3:00 PM fore admission & covered parking SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER ZO ALL SUNDAY SUNDAY



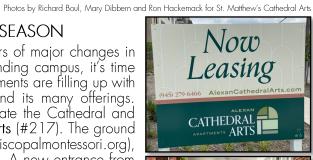
ace to the Rising Sun by Pamela Nelson

## REVIEW AND PREVIEW Photos by Richard THE THIRTEENTH ANNIVERSARY SEASON

While we settle in to the completion of several years of major changes in the look of St. Matthew's Cathedral and the surrounding campus, it's time to celebrate! The new Alexan Cathedral Arts apartments are filling up with new neighbors, steps away from the Cathedral and its many offerings. Historic Garrett Hall has been remodeled to relocate the Cathedral and Diocesan offices, plus a new office for Cathedral Arts (#217). The ground floor is now the Cathedral Montessori School (episcopalmontessori.org), serving quality childcare options for working parents. A new entrance from Ross Avenue welcomes visitors to the Cathedral. A beautiful outdoor green space and stage has been created for concerts, art exhibits, weddings, public gatherings, and an oasis of calm in the middle of a bustling city. The Great Hall now has its own welcoming outdoor space, with comfortable new seating and beautiful landscaping. Last, but not least, Alexan Cathedral Arts has contributed 180 covered parking spaces to the Cathedral in their two garages. Congratulations to Dean Price and everyone involved in bringing this historic multi-year project to life!

Which brings us to the current slate of events from Cathedral Arts, preparing the thirteenth season to serve a growing audience from our neighborhood and greater Dallas. Following Dallas photographer Carolyn Brown's return to Cathedral Arts for a stunning Places of Prayer exhibit (portions of which are now on display in the Dallas City Hall Lobby), Visual Arts Director Evelyn Luciani is curating the Third Invitational Multi-Media Exhibition, featuring original works (available for sale) from 22 local artists! The Sundermann Gallery opening reception is scheduled for Sunday, September 8 at 2:00. Please join us! Artist-in-Residence Mikhail Berestnev brings his spectacular piano skills to the Great Hall on September 29 at 3:00 for a free concert of three thrilling Romantic masterworks by César Franck. Mikhail will be joined by a string quartet of four of the finest instrumentalists in North Texas! This intimate and emotional concert is a musthear event! A beautiful Feast of the Epiphany fundraiser, organized by Janet Lumpkin and the Cathedral Arts Advisory Council, returns to célébrate the display of Tommy Bourgeois' spectacular trio of Christmastime crèches in the Cathedral nave. This lovely evening event on Sunday, January 5 features spoken reflections, music from harpist Alison Read and cellist Vilma Peguero, and a variety of seasonal refreshments. Then the annual Distinguished Artist Weekend on February 21 and 22 spotlights two celebrated vocalists, soprano Kristina Zmailaitè and tenor Edmundas Seilius, stars of opera and television in their native Lithuania (see the next page). And there's much more to come in the Spring!

Special thanks to our volunteers for making these events so successful. You can help welcome friends and newcomers to Cathedral Arts. Just send an email to info@cathedralartsdallas.org and we'll be in touch!















Opening and Artist Reception Friday, March 18, 2022 6:00-8:00 PM St. Matthew's Cathedral Arts Justus Sundermann Gallery 5100 Ross Avenue at North Garrett Dallas. Texas 75206

#### MEET CELEBRATED LITHUANIAN SINGING ARTISTS KRISTINA ZMAILAITÈ AND EDMUNDAS SEILIUS



It's an honor to introduce the newly-selected 2025 Distinguished Artists! Soprano Kristina Zmailaitè and tenor Edmundas Seilius are popular and renowned stars of opera and television in their native Lithuania. The two have been together in life and in concert for more than 30 years. Performing Arts Director Mary Dibbern will accompany them for their Friday, February 21 recital in the Great Hall, followed by a Saturday master class with outstanding young vocal artists from The Dallas Opera Education and Outreach Program. Mark your calendars now! Kristina graduated from the Lithuanian Academy of Music and Theater under Professor Regina Maciute. She began an active performance career during her studies at the Academy. At the LMTA Opera Studio, she prepared the challenging roles of Mrs. Ford in Otto Nicolai's opera The Merry Wives of Windsor, and the role of Adina in Donizetti's L'elisir d'amore. In 2002, she

won the German state DAAD scholarship, which gave her the opportunity to perform and further develop her career in Germany. She later trained in the United States, and then in France, with one of the most famous vocal professors at the Paris Conservatoire, Peggy Bouveret. Kristina also participated in master classes with the world-famous singer and actress Katia Ricciarelli, and the renowned Italian soprano and opera director Renata Scotto. Kristina has since performed extensively in Lithuania, as well as in in Sweden, France, Poland, Great Britain, Austria, and the U.S.

Edmundas also graduated from the Lithuanian Academy of Music and Theatre, earning a Bachelor's degree in Music and a Master's degree in Voice. He made his U.S. operatic debut in April 2006 as Alfredo in Verdi's La traviata for the gala opening of the Globe-News Center for the Performing Arts in Amarillo, and joined The Dallas Opera's Emerging Artists Program, singing The Boy in Baska's Red Carnations and appearing in concert with Maestro Graeme Jenkins and The Dallas Opera Orchestra. During 2006-2007, he undertook post-graduate study at SMU with Professor Barbara Hill-Moore, and at the New England Conservatory with renowned tenor Vinson Cole. He made his Boston operatic debut as Rinuccio in Puccini's Gianni Schicchi at the Majestic Theatre. As a Chicago Opera Theater Young Artist in March 2007, he made his Chicago debut as Eurimaco in Monteverdi's Il ritorno d'Ulisse in patria, with conductor Jane Glover and stage director Diane Paulus. His Italian debut in 2007 was as Rodolfo in Puccini's La bohème while a member of the Professional Study program of Opera Ischia. Edmundas is a soloist with the Lithuanian National Opera in Vilnius, a guest soloist at the Kaunas Music Theatre, and has been featured in concert performances and solo recitals in the United States and Lithuania.



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To enhance the occasion, we're bringing several young Dallas Opera Education and Outreach singers to the Saturday masterclass. We're also in touch with Greta Patapovaité-Bryant, Chair of the Dallas Lithuanians, a branch of the Lithuanian American Community. Greta is enthusiastic about these two amazing singers coming to Dallas. We've discussed ways to include the Lithuanian community, and will list the Dallas Lithuanians as partners for the event. Greta has even offered to bring popular Lithuanian food for the reception on Friday night after the concert! Don't miss it!



#### THE 2024 PILLARS CAMPAIGN IS UNDERWAY

The annual Pillars Campaign helps underwrite an entire season of free public Cathedral Arts events. Pillars Campaign donors fund professional artist fees, administration, printing, catering, security and custodial services, photography, postage, gallery maintenance, marketing and digital communications. As we enter the thirteenth season of free performing, visual arts and educational events, the 2024 Pillars Campaign has begun, and your support of Cathedral Arts is essential! This year's goal is \$30,000 — only 300 gifts of \$100. Please join the fine list of patrons whose contributions become carefully curated experiences of arts, discovery and community at Cathedral Arts, free and open to the public. Your gift is so important — we look forward to hearing from you! Send a tax-deductible gift with an optional dedication of your choice to:



2024 Pillars Campaign : St. Matthew's Cathedral Arts 5100 Ross Avenue : Dallas, Texas 75206

# THIRD INVITATIONAL MULTI-MEDIA EXHIBITION Opening and Artist Reception Sunday, September 8 at 2:00 pm

ROMANTIC MASTERWORKS BY CÉSAR FRANCK
Sunday, September 29 at 3:00 pm in the Great Hall / Artist Reception Follows
Artist-in-Residence Mikhail Berestnev, piano
Grace Kang Wollett, violin / Aaron Boyd, violin
Ronald Houston, viola / Laura Ospina, cello
free admission & covered parking