

# Bravissimo!

25th Anniversary Festival Gala

**Celebrating the virtuosi among us!**

## Music in the Vineyards

25th Anniversary Season

Saturday, August 10, 2019

5:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Charles Krug Winery, St. Helena



**B**reathtaking views of the Napa Valley  
**R**epertoire blending new and classic chamber music  
**A**ward-winning artists from around the world  
**V**ino! Free tastings at Intermission  
**I**ntimate Winery Venues  
**S**ilver Anniversary Celebrating 25 years  
**S**upport from the Napa Vintner Community  
**I**nteraction between artists and audience  
**M**usical matchmaking creating one-of-a-kind performances  
**O**utreach programs for the community



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**25th Anniversary Honorary Committee**

A special thanks to this incredible group of people who have dedicated countless hours over the past 25 years to the success of Music in the Vineyards.

Melinda & Ralph Mendelson, Chairs  
Joan Crowley, Robilee Frederick Deane,  
Peter McCrea, David Marsten, Bonnie Thoreen

# Welcome

Thank you for joining us tonight. We chose **Bravissimo!** as our theme for two reasons. First, there's no question that our 25th anniversary deserves a standing ovation. Cue the stamping of feet, cheering, whistles, and shouts of bravo and bravissimo.

Second, this evening has been planned to dazzle and impress you — to make you say “Bravissimo!” The **concert**, prepared by Daria and Michael Adams, features virtuoso performers and performances the likes of which you rarely hear at one sitting. The **dinner** prepared by Park Avenue Catering and wines chosen by Charles Krug will also earn stars. And the Hot Club of San Francisco will provide more sparkle with jazz redolent of a French *café dansant*.

Your chance to earn “Bravissimos!” comes next. With our **auction**, you can show your faith in us and our future by contributing to the Harry and Gail Adams Resident Artists Fund. Bid on a stay in a lovely home on the Bay of Islands in **New Zealand**. Or a stay in the Rockies at another great music festival, **Bravo! Vail**. Take home a **painting** made expressly for this occasion by the San Francisco and Calistoga artist, Ira Yeager. Or donate generously to the Fund-a-Need to benefit our Apprentice String Quartet and community outreach programs.

Thank you for your support. We couldn't have reached this milestone without you!

Anne Evans  
Bravissimo! Chair

**“Charles Krug and our family takes great pride in the depth and breadth of cultural experiences we host on behalf of the Napa Valley Community. We have been pleased to host *Music in the Vineyards* many times over the years and we are thrilled to be welcoming you all back to our estate on the occasion of your 25th Anniversary Gala!”**

—Peter Mondavi, Jr.



MUSIC IN THE VINEYARDS

## Goes To Vienna & Prague!

March 31 – April 10, 2020 | 10 days & 9 nights | Limited to 25 participants

Join Artistic Directors, Michael and Daria for an intimate 10-day journey to two of the great music cities of the world, Vienna and Prague, next spring! We will explore the heart of these beautiful places where many of the great composers lived and worked and the Hapsburgs reigned. Follow in the footsteps of major composers, enjoy performances by outstanding artists, and revel in private concerts, exclusive to the tour. A cruise along the blue Danube, deluxe accommodations, great food and wine, plus Michael and Daria's expert commentary and company complete this spectacular trip for music lovers and Music in the Vineyards fans!

### Here are just some of the highlights:

- Performances by the Vienna Symphony, Prague Symphony and Yuja Wang in recital, all in historic concert halls
- Optional performance at the beautiful Vienna State Opera
- Two private concerts in historic venues exclusively for the group
- Tours of major sites in Vienna & Prague with expert guides, including private early-entry tour of the Kunsthistorisches Museum in Vienna, one of the finest art museums in the world, and the houses of Beethoven, Schubert and Dvořák
- Browse the magnificent Easter Markets in both cities
- Exclusive private viewing of Beethoven manuscripts at the Lobkowitz Palace
- Ferry river cruise on the Danube and wine tasting in the lovely Wachau region
- Deluxe accommodations in the historic city centers at 5-star hotels
- Fine dining and wonderful cafés in both cities
- Plenty of free time to relax, shop or sightsee!
- Commentary by Michael and Daria throughout the journey on the music you hear and places you visit

**Tour cost:** \$5,890, ground only, based on double occupancy. Participation strictly limited. For more details, visit [musicinthevineyards.org](http://musicinthevineyards.org), or contact Music in the Vineyards at 707 258 5559.

# Concert

Charles Krug, Carriage House Great Room

Daria Tedeschi Adams & Michael Adams

*Artistic Directors, Music in the Vineyards*

**Giovanni Bottesini** (1821-1889)

Grand Duo Concertante for violin and double-bass

*Kristin Lee*, violin

*Scott Pingel*, double-bass

**FESTIVAL ENSEMBLE**

**Georges Boulanger** (1893-1958)

*American Vision*

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Avant de Mourir

**Anonymous**

*The Canary*

*Paul Neubauer*, viola

**FESTIVAL ENSEMBLE**

**Elena Kats-Chernin** (b. 1957)

*Fast Blue Village 2* for string quartet

**2ND ST. QUARTET**

*Agatha Blevin*, *Gracie Carney*, violin

*Mason Spencer*, viola

*Adrian Golay*, cello

**Pablo de Sarasate** (1844-1908)

*Ziguenerweisen (Gypsy Airs)* op. 10

ARR. DARIA TEDESCHI ADAMS

**FESTIVAL ENSEMBLE**

**FESTIVAL ENSEMBLE MUSICIANS**

*Agatha Blevin*, *Gracie Carney*, *Kristin Lee*,

*Michelle Lie*, *Kerry McDermott*, *Violaine*

*Melançon*, *Oliver Neubauer*, *Ross Snyder*,

*Daria Tedeschi Adams*, violin

*Edwin Kaplan*, *Paul Neubauer*,

*Mason Spencer*, *Roger Tapping*, viola

*Natasha Brofsky*, *Adrian Golay*,

*Serafim Smigelskiy*, cello

*Scott Pingel*, double-bass

# Dinner

**Park Avenue Catering**, Executive Chef/Owner Bruce Riezenman

## Passed Hors d'Oeuvres

Golden Beet & Chèvre Strata

Basil Oil

Citrus-Cured Salmon

Pickled Shiitake, Mushroom Syrup

Pork Belly

Kimchi, Green Onion

## DOMAINE CARNEROS ESTATE BRUT CUVÉE 2013 & ESTATE BRUT ROSÉ 2015

## First Course

Pan-Seared Scallops

Sweet Pea Purée, Pea Shoots, Meyer Lemon-Chili Oil

## CHARLES KRUG 2017 LIMITED RELEASE CHARDONNAY

## Entrée Course

Pan-Seared Creekstone New York Steak

Bourbon-Balsamic Glaze

Red Floriani Polenta + Parmesan

Summer Succotash\* Padrone Peppers

Corn, Romanesco Squash, Romano Beans, Sun-Dried Cherry Tomatoes

Vegetarian Selection: Sweet Corn Raviolis

Sweet 100 Tomatoes, Olive Oil, Mint, Garlic

## CHARLES KRUG 2015 FAMILY RESERVE GENERATIONS RED WINE

## Dessert Course

Lemon-Riesling Mousse Cake

Gravenstein Apples, Mascarpone Cream

## Coffee & Tea

\*Gluten Free

**Park Avenue Catering**, the first green certified caterer in Sonoma and Napa Counties, offers: sustainable seafood choices; all-natural ("never-ever" or better) meats and poultry; local, natural, seasonal and sustainable; purchases based on direct relationships with many of our ranchers, farmers and artisans; shade grown, fair trade coffee. Park Avenue Catering composts their green, dairy and meat waste from their main kitchen and events.

# Live Auction

**Auctioneer Greg Quiroga**

*Stellar Fundraising Auctions, Inc.*

## **RULES:**

**Auction number:** Your auction number, on the back of your program, is registered in your name. Assigned bid numbers must be used when bidding. Please raise your bid paddle so your number is visible to the auctioneer and spotters. The highest bidder acknowledged by the auctioneer will be the winning bidder. In the event of any dispute, the auctioneer will determine the winning bidder.

**Payment:** If we recorded your credit card at registration, your auction purchases will be charged directly to your card. You will receive an emailed receipt as soon as the card is charged and we also mail a receipt to you with the tax deductible (if applicable) amount listed.

If your credit card was not recorded, payment in full for purchases must be made at the Pick Up Station before receiving your auction certificate and related items. Only cash, check, Amex, Discover, Visa and Mastercard are accepted. You will be issued with a record of purchase and your credit card receipt will be mailed to you. If you have contributed to "Fund a Need" you will receive a receipt by mail.

**Pick-up:** On departure, successful bidders may claim their lot or the certificate to redeem their lot, along with their auction receipt, at the Pick Up Station. All items on site associated with your purchase should be removed the evening of the auction.

**Sales Terms:** All sales are final and there will be no exchange or refunds. Items may not be returned to donors for exchange or refund.

*Music in the Vineyards (MITV)* warrants neither the quality nor the value of items and services purchased. Neither MITV nor the donor is responsible for any personal injuries or damage to property which may result from use of items or services purchased.

**Some auction lots have restrictions:** Please review restrictions carefully before purchasing.

# 1 Utopia

## The Sea Ranch



### Sea Ranch | 4 guests | 7 nights

One-week stay in the award winning, ocean front **Sea Ranch** home of Greg & Anne Evans, recently featured in the New York Times article “**Sea Ranch, California’s Modernist Utopia, Gets an Update.**” It’s a five-minute walk to lovely Pebble Beach, and only a little further to the tide pools and seal watching area of the nature reserve. Two couples may share the two-bedroom, two bath home. Enjoy dinner and special wines prepared by Deborah & Raymond Tonella at their spectacular Anchor Bay home. All four guests will receive massages in the home.

Lodging and dinner dates subject to mutual agreement between Winning Bidder(s) and the Evans/Tonella hosts. Massage appointments to be made in advance by the Winning Bidder(s).

**OPENING BID: \$1,500**

**DONORS:** *Anne & Greg Evans, Deborah & Raymond Tonella*

## 2 Get High on Music at Bravo!

Bravo! Vail Music Festival Vail, Colorado



### 2 guests | 4 nights | June 2020

Enjoy this acclaimed music festival in the beautiful mountains of Vail, Colorado. Bravo! Vail is under the artistic direction of the pianist Anne Marie McDermott, a favorite at Music in the Vineyards.

Included are:

- Tickets to three **Chamber Orchestra of Europe** concerts with **Yuja Wang** (June 25, 27, 28, 2020).
- Lodging for four nights at the Sonnenalp Hotel or similar Vail Valley resort (Thursday, June 25 – Monday, June 29, 2020).
- Gift certificates for three dinners at renowned Vail Valley restaurants.
- Two-hour horseback riding adventure at **Bearcat Stables**.
- Invitations to the Opening Night Pre-Concert Reception, Opening Night Post-Concert Reception, and On-Stage Champagne Toast with the orchestra.

**OPENING BID: \$2,000**

**DONORS:** *Bravo! Vail Music Festival*

### 3 Ira Yeager Sitar “Paganini’s Mistake”



The first of two lots by acclaimed Northern California contemporary artist Ira Yeager. From Ira’s objet collection, the antique sitar “Paganini’s Mistake” is embellished with an original-historically referenced portrait by the artist.

This is a humorous reference and tribute to the celebrated violin virtuoso Niccolo Paganini. Don’t miss out on your opportunity to own a musical piece representing the whimsical side of Yeager’s mixed media assemblage.

**OPENING BID: \$300**

**DONOR:** Joan Crowley

## 4 Park Avenue on Your Avenue



### Your home | 10 guests

Who wouldn't love the opportunity to entertain friends at home with superb cuisine and service, yet not have to lift a finger? Make it Valentine's Day, an anniversary, or a special birthday! Invite up to eight guests to enjoy dinner provided by the culinary artists of **Park Avenue Catering**, who have provided tonight's exquisite meal. *Music in the Vineyards* will help provide live music for the occasion, along with a 1.5-liter bottle of 2013 Peju Province Cabernet Sauvignon.

\* Park Avenue Catering will provide one server, one chef, china, flatware, cloth napkins, and wine and water glasses. The offer is for a mutually convenient date, Saturdays excluded.

**OPENING BID: \$2,200**

**DONOR:** *Park Avenue Catering, Peju, Music in the Vineyards*

## 5 Roll Over Beethoven

Boots & BBQ Party



### Alpha Omega | 90 guests | June 20, 2020

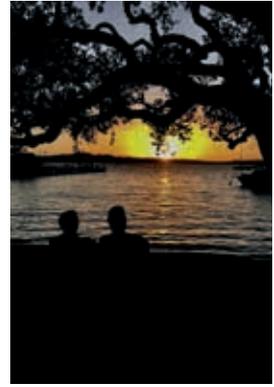
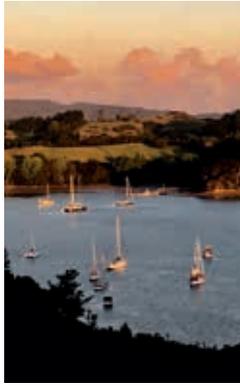
Join us once again next summer for an upscale, down home evening of music, dancing and barbeque on the chic, cozy terrace at **Alpha Omega Winery**. The Silverado Pick-ups (or equivalent) country rock band will entertain us with their classic country rock music. Proprietors Michelle and Robin Baggett have donated their winery for this private event, and will provide the *Baggett Ranch BBQ Team's Almost World-Famous Ribs* along with grilled sides and seasonal salads.



**BUY-IN:** \$295 per person

**DONORS:** *Alpha Omega Winery, The Silverado Pickups, Music in the Vineyards*

## 6 New Zealand in Style



### 2 guests | 7 nights

One week at Warren and Maritza Nelson's house on the Bay of Islands, New Zealand. The three-bedroom house has Wi-Fi, a spacious lounge, and deck overlooking the bay. Considered the most beautiful part of New Zealand, the Bay of Islands abounds with outdoor activities: fishing, boating, swimming on pristine beaches, hiking in the ancient Kauri forest, exploring glowworm caves. It is also the center of Polynesian history, with cultural museums and events such as demonstrations of Polynesian song and dance. Included is lunch with Warren and Maritza to plan your trip.

**Terms:** Availability is between April 1- December 7, 2020. April, May and early December are recommended. Must be scheduled at a mutually agreeable time for all parties.

Airfare not included

**OPENING BID:** \$2,800

**DONORS:** *Maritza and Warren Nelson*

## 7 Ira Yeager Painting “Corelli’s Violin”



### **Large mixed media oils created for MITV and Bravissimo!**

The second of two lots by acclaimed Northern California contemporary artist Ira Yeager, who has achieved a level of esteem as a colorist, realist, impressionist and abstractionist that qualifies him today as one of the most accomplished contemporary artists working in the San Francisco/ Northern California area. His work has been acclaimed in numerous museum and public exhibitions and is widely included in leading private collections.

This is a humorous reference and tribute to Baroque violinist and composer Arcangelo Corelli and of course “Corelli’s Mandolin”. A perfect creation specifically for Music in the Vineyards 25th Anniversary.

**OPENING BID: \$1,500**

**DONORS:** *Ira Yeager*

## 8 Rejuvenate at the Marival Nuevo Vallarta



### 4 guests | 7 nights

What better way to relax this winter than on a lounge chair on one of the most beautiful beaches of the Riviera Nayarit? A waiter comes by to serve you fresh fruit, cool water, drinks and canapés. The next day you play golf in front of the sea. These are two snapshots of your week at the **Marival Residences Luxury Resort in Nuevo Vallarta**, sixteen miles north of Puerto Vallarta. You will stay in a two-bedroom, oceanside apartment—complete with kitchen, living room, and balcony. The winning bidder may choose from a wide range of available dates.\*

- **Seven night stay** in a two-bedroom residence with ocean view. Accommodates three to six persons.
- The only **luxury all-inclusive resort** on the Riviera Nayarit.
- **Gourmet cuisine** at four international restaurants.
- VIP Beach Club, Playa Perfecta, with bar and refreshment services.
- Unlimited golf at Flamingos Golf Course.
- Activity program and evening shows.

\* Blackout dates: Christmas, New Year, Easter, and Holy Week. This is an all-inclusive resort and guests will be required to pay \$110 per person per day which covers all luxuries, food and drinks. Airfare not included.

**OPENING BID: \$3,500**

**DONOR:** Dana & Gary Shapiro

## 9 Art Deco to Grand Opera to SoMA Modern

An art and music lover's weekend in San Francisco



### 2 guests | 2 nights

- Two nights in **The Bellaire Tower**, a 1928 art deco building at the top of Russian Hill; enjoy a spacious twelfth floor apartment with Golden Gate View.
- Two Premium seats (orchestra or grand tier) to any Fall '19 SF Opera of your choice: choose from *Romeo & Juliet*, *Billy Budd*, *Marriage of Figaro* or *Manon Lescaut*. Be welcomed into the exclusive Jeannik Mequet Littlefield Intermezzo Lounge at intermission for sparkling wine and hors d'oeuvres.
- Enjoy contemporary, seasonal American fare and renowned wines at Chef Mark Dommen's **One Market Restaurant**.
- Let fashion designer **Babette Pinsky, of BP Jewelry**, make you a one-of-kind necklace. She loves to recycle your orphaned earrings and other treasures you don't wear, turning them into something new and wonderful.
- Enjoy drinks at the contemporary loft Babette shares with her husband Steve Pinsky, in the remake of the Clock Tower south of Market. Let them show you their fascinating contemporary art collection.

**OPENING BID: \$1,700**

**DONORS:** Anne & Greg Evans, Michael Dellar, One Market Restaurant, Babette & Stephen Pinsky, San Francisco Opera



# Fund A Need

## The Gail and Harry Adams Resident Artists Fund

Each year, Music in the Vineyards attracts world-class artists to the Napa Valley — virtuosi like you’ve heard tonight. Funding for such prestigious musicians is an essential need of our festival, and ticket revenues cover only one third of our costs.

This is precisely why we started the **Gail and Harry Adams Resident Artists Fund**. The fund is named in honor of our co-founders who dreamt that Music in the Vineyards would become one of the greatest music festivals in the country. Contributions from generous supporters like you allow us to keep our concerts accessible while still attracting top artists from around the world.

The fund also contributes to the **Apprentice String Quartet Program**; a three-week residency for a pre-professional quartet with an extensive focus on community outreach. Your support of this program will allow for more free performances at local Boys and Girls Clubs, retirement homes and assisted-living facilities, the Veterans Home of California in Yountville, and other non-traditional venues.

Chamber music for everyone — that’s our dream! Help us make it a reality tonight by giving generously to the Fund-A-Need.

# Thank You!

We would like to thank our sponsors and the following individuals and organizations who have helped make Bravissimo! a success:

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