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VANGUARD CONCERTS 2009-2010 SEASON ANNOUNCED

(DAYTON, OHIO) – August 21, 2009 – Be a part of **Vanguard Concerts’** 2009-2010 48th

International Season of world-acclaimed Chamber Music soloists and ensembles from Russia, France, Armenia and Israel. All concerts are held at 8 p.m. in The Dayton Art Institute’s NCR Renaissance Auditorium.

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA KREMLIN – From Russia FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2009

Music Director and Conductor Misha Rachlevsky brings his 17 musicians back to launch the International Season with their third appearance on the Vanguard stage. Founded in 1991, this acclaimed and exciting string ensemble has recorded 16 albums, earned *The New York Times* “Critics’ Choice” status and boasts a repertoire of more than 900 works from the baroque age to the music of today, including compositions commissioned by the orchestra. *“Warm, full-blooded and virtuosic playing with colorfully shaped, gleaming phrases.”*

MODIGLIANI STRING QUARTET – From France
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2009

These four Parisians wowed us two years ago with what *The New York Times* hailed as their “stunning technical expertise and ensemble work.” Winners of both the 2006 Young Concert Artists International Auditions in New York and the 2005 European Auditions in Paris, they have performed at festivals and concert venues all across Europe and America, including New York’s Weill Recital Hall, Boston’s Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, and Washington’s Kennedy Center, winning prizes too numerous to list. “*From the very first notes, the quartet displayed an assured, high-voltage profile ... scrupulous with dynamics.*”

NAREK HAKHNAZARYAN, Cello – From Armenia
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2009

This 21-year-old Armenian was accepted at the Moscow Conservatory at age 12 and has since been thrilling audiences in Italy, Austria, France, Great Britain, Greece, Turkey and Canada with “elegant, fearless musicianship – a young Piatigorsky would have been proud.” At age 19 he was first prize winner in the 2008 Young Concert Artists International Auditions and made his American debuts at Carnegie’s Zankel Hall and the Kennedy Center. “*He has great power and a creative core that makes you listen to his music*”.

RAN DANK, Piano – From Israel
SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 2010

This exceptional young Israeli began piano studies at age seven at the Academy of Music in Tel Aviv, going on to earn his Master’s degree at the Juilliard School in New York where he won the Gina Bachauer Competition. He has studied with Emanuel Ax and Joseph Kalichstein, and will perform with the Cleveland Orchestra and several European orchestras this season. “*A marvelous showing, his firebrand flair balanced by exquisite stylistic taste.*”

**ST. PETERSBURG STRING QUARTET – From Russia
SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2010**

These Vanguard favorites return to close the International Season with what critics praise as representing “the great Russian tradition of string quartet playing.” Founded in 1985 at what was then known as the Leningrad Conservatory, the Quartet moved to the United States in 1997 to continue building a reputation of worldwide proportion, including a Grammy nomination, opening of the 2007-08 season of the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center’s Quartet Series, three concerts at the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art, three concerts at Amsterdam’s Concertgebouw, six at London’s Wigmore Hall, and tours of 15 nations across the Globe. *“Extraordinary gusto ... a muscular and transparent performance ... charged with energy.”*

Ticket prices for the 2009-2010 season are as follows:

SEASON TICKETS, ALL FIVE CONCERTS:	\$90.00 Adults	\$40.00 Students
SINGLE TICKETS, CHAMBER ORCHESTRA KREMLIN:	\$25.00 Adults	\$20.00 Students
SINGLE TICKETS, ALL OTHER CONCERTS:	\$20.00 Adults	\$15.00 Students

Season tickets and tickets for individual concerts are available at the Wright State University Center Box Office, Hauer Music Company in downtown Dayton, online at www.daytonartinstitute.org, or by contacting Vanguard Concerts at 937-512-0144 or 937-436-0244. Individual tickets are also available at The Dayton Art Institute on the night of each concert.

For more information, visit www.daytonartinstitute.org or call 937-436-0244 or 937-512-0144.

ABOUT THE DAYTON ART INSTITUTE

As one of the Miami Valley’s premier fine art museum, The Dayton Art Institute — which is in its 90th year — offers a full range of programming in addition to exhibiting its collection. The galleries and Museum Store are open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday with extended hours on Thursday until 8 p.m. Free parking is available at the museum and the facility is fully accessible to physically-challenged visitors. CAFÉ MONET by Elegant Fare serves lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For more information, please call 937-223-4278 or visit www.daytonartinstitute.org. *The Ohio Arts Council helped fund this organization with state tax dollars to encourage economic growth, educational excellence and cultural enrichment for all Ohioans. The DAI also receives support from the Montgomery County Arts and Cultural District.*

ABOUT VANGUARD CONCERTS

Vanguard Concerts is a non-profit organization founded in 1962 by Vince and Elana Bolling to present world-class chamber music at The Dayton Art Institute, following the lead of such major institutions as New York’s Metropolitan and Frick Museums, and those of Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Philadelphia and Los Angeles.

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