

Bay Atlantic Symphony to Perform Chopin and Beethoven with Pianist Sejoon Park May 22

Concert at Stockton University's Performing Arts Center in Galloway, N.J.

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Galloway, NJ - The Bay Atlantic Symphony will perform selections by Chopin and Beethoven at the Stockton Performing Arts Center on **Sunday, May 22**. "Conversation with the Conductor," Jed Gaylin, will be held in the L-Wing Gallery at 1 p.m.

Show time is 2 p.m. Tickets are \$32 thanks to a generous grant from PNC Arts Alive and may be ordered online at <u>www.stockton.edu/pac</u> or by calling the Box Office at (609) 652-9000. The Box Office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 90 minutes before the performance.

Perhaps the most rhythmically energized symphony ever composed, Beethoven's Seventh is one of the most ebullient in the repertoire as well. As a complement, Chopin's Second Piano Concerto is supple and songlike. This program will feature acclaimed young talent Sejoon Park in his debut with the Bay Atlantic, Stockton's orchestra-in-residence.

They will perform the following selections:

Chopin Concerto No. 2 in F minor

Sejoon Park, piano

Intermission

Beethoven—Symphony No. 7

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Park was born in South Korea, began piano lessons at age 6 and made his orchestral debut with Korea's Busan Philharmonic Orchestra at age 10. After moving to the United States in 2001, he studied at the Levine School of Music, the Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University and the Juilliard School.

Park has appeared on the stages of Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall and the Kennedy Center, and as a soloist with the Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra, the Salina (Kansas) Symphony, the Eurasian Philharmonic, the South Carolina Philharmonic and the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra. He also performed on National Public Radio's "From the Top."

A PianoArts Fellow and volunteer Artist for Sing for Hope, he regularly engages in musical outreach programs throughout the country.

For patrons with special needs, the **Stockton Performing Arts Center** offers wheelchair accessible seating, large type programs and listening assistive devices. Please identify any needs you may have when making a reservation.

The Stockton Performing Arts Center, the Jersey Shore's Center for the Arts, is located on the campus of Stockton University, on Vera King Farris Drive, off Jimmie Leeds Road, in Galloway Township. Just 12 miles west of Atlantic City, the center is easily accessible from the Garden State Parkway and the Atlantic City Expressway.

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Sejoon Park

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