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## **Evenings of Piano Concerti Season III Featuring PIOTR PALECZNY**

New York, NY, February 22, 2010 - A non-profit classical music advocacy group comprising New York's most talented concert pianists and conductors, New York Concert Artists & Associates (NYCA) will present Evenings of Piano Concerti Season III (EPC III) from Friday April 24 through Saturday May 29, 2010 in New York City. Now in its third season, EPC III will feature seven Saturday evenings of piano concerti at Good-Shepherd Church and Merkin Hall, a special performance of Chopin by Piotr Paleczny on Thursdsay May 27 at the Polish Consulate commemorating the composer's 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and two master classes at the Yamaha Piano Salon. The orchestra for the seven evenings will be the Manhattan Chamber Orchestra and Mr. Paleczny will be joined by the New York String Quartet. The conductors for the series will be Ken-David Masur (San Antonio Symphony and son of legendary Kurt Masur), David Gilbert (Greenwich Symphony, Bergen Philharmonic), Eduard Zilberkant (Fairbanks Symphony), and Richard Auldon Clark (Manhattan Chamber Orchestra). The master classes will be given by Piotr Paleczny (Warsaw Chopin Academy of Music and Chopin Piano Festival Duszniki Zdroj) and William-Grant Nabore (International Piano Academy, Lake Como, Italy).

Complete information about the series, including venue locations, full schedule, and program, can be found at <a href="http://www.newyorkconcertartists.com/epciii.html">http://www.newyorkconcertartists.com/epciii.html</a>. Tickets can be purchased via <a href="the website">the website</a> as well as at the door of each venue on the day of the concert.

Each of the seven nights of piano concerti will feature different pianists, including 2009/10 international piano competition prize winners, many of whom are NYCA's own member pianists. The competitions include the Cleveland International Piano Competition, the Maria Canals International Piano Competition, and the International Vendome Prize. The concerti performed will draw from classical music's most powerful, beautiful, and intriguing repertoire including pieces by Chopin, Schumann, Rachmaninoff, Haydn, Mozart, and Beethoven. There will also be performances of rare works composed by Vaughan Williams and César Franck.

NYCA will host a fundraising event at the Samsung Experience store in the Time Warner Center on Friday April 9 at 6:00 p.m. The event will be a concert preview for EPC III with some of the series' pianists performing solo. The concert preview will be followed by an in-store reception.

This program is made possible, in part, by funds from International Performing Artists.