



Zlatomir Fung

Cellist to perform in next TCA concert Jan. 31

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Zlatomir Fung will perform in the Tryon Concert Association's subscription series concert at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 31, at the Tryon Fine Arts Center.

He will be accompanied by Janice Carissa on piano. Fung and Carissa will play works by Joseph Dall'Abaco, Ernest Bloch, Luciano Berio, Katherine Balch and Johannes Brahms.

Fung has recently performed in New England, Baltimore, Boston and Lausanne, Switzerland. As a winner of the 2017 Young Concert Artists International Auditions, an organization the Tryon Concert Association has supported, it is especially rewarding that Fung is performing here in Tryon. Fung will make his New York and Washington debuts in the Young Concert Artists Series this season.

Now 19 years old, Fung realized at an early age that "the sound, the color and the wonderful possibilities" of the cello made it his life's calling. Since then, he has studied at the University of Michigan, Ravinia's Steans Music Institute, the Heifetz International Music Institute and other prestigious institutions. He is now in his second year at The Juilliard School as a full Kovner Fellowship student of Richard Aaron and Timothy Eddy.

This summer, he won First prize in the Schoenfeld International String Competition and was

awarded the competition's sole special performance engagement prize, a concert with Poland's Poznan Philharmonic Orchestra.

Fung's other awards include First prize at the 2016 George Enescu International Cello Competition, the 2015 Johansen International Competition for Young String Players, the 2014 Stulberg International String Competition and the 2014 Irving Klein International Competition.

Fung's accompanist, Janice Carissa, who is also 19 years old, has received numerous awards, is a student at the Curtis Institute of Music and is a young scholar of Lang Lang's International Music Foundation.

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