



## Michael Schneider - a Pianist with exceptional insight - headlines October program



Our October program features Michael Schneider October 10, 2018 at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 18300 Upper Bay Road, Nassau Bay, Texas. Following a social time beginning at 10:00 a.m., the program will begin at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. His program will be "Piano Virtuosi Through the Ages."

Prize-winning pianist Michael Schneider has been hailed as a 'pianist with exceptional insight' and 'performer with great panache' at venues around the world including Carnegie's Weill Recital Hall, the Library of Congress in Washington DC, the Liszt Museum in Budapest, and the Chopin Festival in Nohant, France at the legendary château of George Sand.. He is a top prizewinner in many competitions including the 7th San Antonio International Piano Competition, the Kosciuszko Chopin and Frinna Awerbuch Competitions in New York, the International Paderewski Competition and International Liszt Competitions in Poland, the LA International Liszt Competition, and the Grace Welsh Prize for Piano in Chicago.

Michael Schneider made his orchestral debut at the age of eleven performing Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 20 with the San Angelo Symphony and has since performed with numerous orchestras in Poland and around the United States

Well known as a solo artist, Michael is also in demand as adjudicator, master-class teacher, lecturer, collaborator, composer, conductor, and avid musical entrepreneur throughout Texas and abroad. Michael has been featured as TMTA Convention Solo Artist (2008) and over the years has given multiple presentations for TMTA including: "Liszt and the Last Years - a Dramatic Monologue", and "The Art of Practicing: A guide to Problem-Solving".

Michael has been on the faculties of Youngstown State University's Dana School of Music (OH), University of Mary Hardin-Baylor (TX), Concordia University Texas (Austin), as well as adjunct professor at the University of Texas Butler School of Music (Austin).

## HSLBA has table at Community Health Fair

On Sept. 17, 2018 Vicki Buxton, Carole Murphy, Louise Russell, and Nina McGlashan had a table at the Health Fair at the Bay Area Community Center. Many organizations in the area were represented. It was well attended, and we

talked to a lot of prospective members. We offered a free one year's membership to those who registered and we'll draw one name to determine who gets the free membership.

## Dues are Due!

As a result of our wonderful Wine and Cheese event, we gained a total of 11 new members. Our current paid members total 126, which includes 22 couples and 82 singles.

You can pay your dues (\$50 individual/\$75 couple) by mailing a check, made out to HSLBA, to Ann Morgan at 2020 Mission Street; Kemah, TX 77565

Remember to pay your dues by September to be included in our Membership Directory.

## Volunteering for Student Concerts at Jones Hall

The Houston Symphony League provides volunteer ushers for Student Concerts throughout the school year. Typically, there are 5,000 students who attend the concerts in a day. Concerts are held at twice a day at Jones Hall. Volunteers should be there at 8:30 (if you are working the first concert) and 10:30 (if you are working the second concert). Most volunteers work both concerts and you are typically done by 12:15, but supporting one is fine.

You can take the HOV lane to get downtown on time and avoid rush hour traffic. **PARKING IS REIMBURSED BY THE SYMPHONY.** You have to pay when you park but get reimbursed before leaving. Parking is \$12.00.

Usher duties are to escort the students to their seats. A school will be ready to enter the hall. You take them to their seats and then return to the lobby to get another group. It is not a difficult task but does require quite a bit of walking and some time spent outside unloading the school buses.

Dates for the first half of the year are:

Wednesday, October 3 (2 concerts) – **IMMEDIATE NEED**

Wednesday, November 7 (2 concerts)

Thursday, November 8 (2 concerts)

December 4 (one concert at 11:15)

If you can help out on any (or all) of these dates, please let Betty Stacy know:

Home # - 281-482-0475

Cell # - 713-305-7411

## Exciting New Location for Meetings



Please join us: Our HSLBA meetings will be held a few yards down the street from Gloria Dei. We'll meet at **ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE EPISCOPAL CHURCH (18300 Upper Bay Rd. in Nassau Bay).** Just drive past Gloria

Dei and some apartments and the church is on your right. The church will provide handicapped parking, easy parking lot parking, a Steinway piano that is slightly easier to see, a beautiful sanctuary, both kinds of coffee in real cups, and a good sound system. It will cost us less. The rector, Mike Stone, is very happy to welcome us. Meetings will start at 10:30 after social time at 10:00 on the 2nd Wed. of the month unless we have a program change for night meetings. So, nothing changes except the location of our meetings. We are very pleased with the reception we've been given.

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## Memorial Service for Isabel Konradi

A Memorial service for longtime HSLBA member, Isabel Konradi will be held October 20 at 1:30 p.m. in the El Lago City Hall Event Room.



## President's Message



Dear Friends,  
Knowing what we knew at 8:30 AM about the weather forecast, we reluctantly decided to cancel the regular meeting on Sept. 12. Sparky and his jazz group were coming from Galveston and that's where the worst flooding and rain was that morning. We didn't want our members to take a chance driving through deep water. Many of you that I talked to said that you wondered whether the meeting would go forward and were trying to decide to go or not. But, I think most were happy not to get out. Sparky has been rescheduled for our Feb. meeting which we had to move to Feb. 20th, instead of the 13th. More about that later.

I was disappointed that we didn't get to have the meeting because I had really looked forward to seeing all of you!

Take care! See you Oct. 10 at St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church.

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# Ride to the HSO Performance



## Favorite Masters - Sunday Matinee

1. *Bronfman Plays Prokofiev* - September 23, 2018
2. *The Seven Deadly Sins* - November 4, 2018
3. *Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue* - January 6, 2019
4. *Debussy's La mer* - March 10, 2019
5. *Carmina Burana* - March 29, 2019
6. *Beethoven's Eroica* - May 5, 2019

Call Houston Symphony: (713) 224-7575 to purchase your concert seats.

\* Bus Ride is \$100 for the 6 concert season or \$20/concert, space available

\* Bus departs Bay Area Park & Ride at 1 PM; arrives for lunch or pre-concert lecture.

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Houston, TX 77059

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## Franz Liszt: A Legacy

Friday, October 12, 2018

Concert - Michael Schneider | 7:30 p.m.  
Refreshments will be served following the concert

A unique opportunity for audiences to gain insight into the life and works of Franz Liszt. In this monodrama pianist Michael Schneider portrays an aged Franz Liszt reflecting upon his life and combines performances of some of Liszt's greatest works with enlightening historical facts and emotional understanding of the works and composer. The original script of the program is based on factual events of the composer's life.



Location:

University Baptist Church  
16106 Middlebrook Dr., Houston, Texas 77059

Tickets:

\$12 adults; \$8 students; Group discounts available for 10 or more  
For more information or to purchase tickets, call 832.425.2329 or go to:  
[bayareamusicteachers.org](http://bayareamusicteachers.org) or [www.gulfcoastmusicteachers.org](http://www.gulfcoastmusicteachers.org)



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