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2018 Summer Concert Series

As summer emerges on the Kenai Peninsula, the KPO is busily preparing for its musical highlight of the year: the Summer Concert Series! From fun and informative library performances to elegant, classical chamber concerts there is something for everyone to enjoy.

The grand finale of the series is the Gala Concerts held in Homer and Kenai in August. This year, the Galas will feature a variety of pieces that you and your families will not want to miss! Concertgoers can expect to hear *Overture to Candide* by Leonard Bernstein, *The Four Seasons* by Ástor Piazzolla which will feature guest soloist Oleg Proskurnya, and *Danzon No. 2* by Arturo Márquez. In addition, the orchestra will be playing the music to Charlie Chaplin's silent film *The Rink* live as the film is projected during the performance!

Guest Soloist: Oleg Proskurnya

Born in Omsk - Russian Federation, Dr. Proskurnya earned a Master's Degree in violin performance from the St. Petersburg Conservatory. He was a violinist of the St. Petersburg Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra and served as Associate Concertmaster of the Leningrad Chamber Orchestra. In 1988, he immigrated to the USA and served as the principal second violinist of the Savannah Symphony Orchestra until 2003. During this time, Dr. Proskurnya also studied conducting under Ilia Musin from 1994 to 1999.

In 2004, Dr. Proskurnya received a Doctor of Musical Arts Degree from the University of South Carolina in orchestral conducting and from 2005-6 he was adjunct professor at Georgia College and State University and guest faculty at Valdosta State University. Dr. Proskurnya has served as concertmaster of Ocala Symphony Orchestra in Florida from 2006-17; Assistant Professor of Music and the Director of Orchestras at Beloit College from 2006-11; and as the Music Director of the Kingsville Symphony Orchestra at the Texas A&M University from 2011-13.

Presently, Dr. Proskurnya is serving as an adjunct professor of UAA department of music, director of UAA Sinfonia and Anchorage Civic Orchestra (beginning 2018-19 season). Also, he is a director of International Academy of Advanced Conducting Lecturer at the Music Department of West Virginia State University (Institute), concertmaster of the Anchorage Civic Orchestra (AK), and the first violinist of "AKamerata" String Quartet.

Upcoming Events

Recess Duty: Wednesday, July 17 at Soldotna Library, 2:30 p.m.

Soldotna Library Performance: Thursday, July 26, 2:30 p.m.

Homer Library Performance: Friday, July 27, 5:00 p.m.

Kenai Chamber Concert: Friday, August 3 at Christ Lutheran Church in Soldotna, 7:30 p.m.

Homer Chamber Concert: Sunday, August 5 at 7:30 p.m.

Homer Gala Performance: Friday, August 10 at Mariner Theatre, 7:30 p.m.

Kenai Gala Performance: Saturday, August 11 at Renee C. Henderson Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

2018 Crescendo Club Membership

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