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AUNER QUARTETT

RITUS

Welcome by Johannes Aigner, Director ACF DC

OCTOBER 19, 2023 | 7:00PM

ABOUT THE ARTISTS

Barbara de Menezes Galante Auner (Violin) studied at the Mozarteum University in Salzburg and the University of Music in Vienna. Together with violinist Daniel Auner, she founded the Auner Quartett in 2013 and the Duo Mozartiano in 2011. Since 2021 Barbara Galante has been teaching at the Friedrich Gulda School of Music in Vienna.

Mialtin Zhezha (Violin) is an accomplished violinist and violist, who serves as concertmaster of the Mozart Orchestra of New York, New York Classical Symphony Orchestra, and Radio City Music Hall Orchestra. As a chamber musician, Mialtin Zhezha performs as the founding member of the RSO String quartet as well as a core member as violinist and violist of the Highline String Quartet.

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Maximilian Bratt (Viola) completed his studies in London and at the University of Music and Performing Arts in Vienna with distinction. As part of various ensembles and as a soloist, his career has led him to perform on stages worldwide. Maximilian Bratt currently lives in Vienna and is mainly active as a chamber musician.

Konstantin Zelenin (Cello) completed his master's degree at the Music and Arts University of the City of Vienna. As its cello player, he is a founding member of the Auner Quartet and has performed as part of various ensembles worldwide. Konstantin Zelenin currently teaches at the Friedrich Gulda School of Music in Vienna and at the Franz Schubert Conservatory.

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

Johanna Doderer (*1969)

Ritus

(Premiere)



Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756 - 1791)

String Quartet in B-Flat Major,

KV 137 Andante – Allegro di molto – Allegro assai



Konstantia Gourzi (*1962)

Telestía Op. 103, 2023

(Premiere)



Joseph Haydn (1732 - 1809)

String Quartet Op. 33/5,

„How do you do“

UPCOMING ACF DC EVENTS

October 24, 2023 | 7:00 PM

Ensemble of the Tyrolean Military Band

Join us for an evening with the Ensemble of the Militärmusik Tirol (Tyrolean Military Band)! The military band is a respected institution in the Austrian brass band scene and has gained a prominent place in the cultural landscape of Tyrol, Austria. The ensemble will feature eight highly qualified musicians, who have a mastery of a wide range of musical instruments. This diversity enables them to present a varied repertoire that includes traditional marches as well as contemporary works and concert music.

October 27, 2023 | 7:00 PM

From Djerassi to Gen Z: The Impact of Austrian Scientists in the US

In honor of Austrian-born chemist, novelist and playwright Carl Djerassi's 100th birthday we will be showing a documentary depicting his life and scientific accomplishments. Carl Djerassi is best known for his contribution to the development of the oral contraceptive pill and has been nicknamed the "father of the pill". It will be followed by a panel discussion exploring Austrian scientists' impact on the US in the past, present and future.

October 28, 2023, 2:00 PM - October 29, 2023, 2:00 PM

Tales of Franz Virtual Film Screening

The ACF DC is hosting a virtual screening of the family film Tales of Franz based on a popular series of Austrian children's books of the same name starting on October 28, 2023 as part of Kids Euro Fest this year. Kids can experience a little bit of Austria without a plane ticket! The film is available to viewers living in Washington DC, Maryland and Virginia and will be shown in the original German with English subtitles.