# Concerts at the National Gallery of Art

Under the direction of George Manos

## January and February 2003

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Janı	ıary	
12	Gary Graffman, pianist	Reinicke: Sonata, Opus 179 Von Sauer: Waldandacht
		Chopin/Godowsky: Etudes
		J. S. Bach/Brahms: <i>Chaconne in D Minor</i>
		Reger: Four Etudes
		Blumenfeld: Etude, Opus 36
19	The Verdehr Trio	Mozart: Trio, K. 358
	Walter Verdehr, violin	Fanny Mendelssohn: Romance
	Elsa Ludewig Verdehr,	Armand Russell: Romance
	clarinet	Tchaikovsky: Entr'acte from
	Sylvia Roederer, piano	Sleeping Beauty
		Joan Tower: Rainwaves
		Bright Sheng: Reflections, Tibetan
		Dance
26	The Thomas Zehetmair	Schumann: String Quartet No. 1
	Quartet	Cage: String Quartet in Four Parts
		Bartok: String Quartet No. 5
Febr	ruary	
2	Navah Perlman, pianist	Scarlatti: Sonatas Nos. 104 and 108
		Beethoven: Sonata, Op. 109
		Bolcom: Nine Bagatelles

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Jubilant Sykes, *baritone* Christopher Parkening,

guitarist

Rachmaninoff: Three Preludes

Music of Brazil and the Americas

by Villa-Lobos, Piazzolla, Ponce,

Prokofiev: Sonata No. 3

and other composers

## The Sixty-first Season of

# THE WILLIAM NELSON CROMWELL and F. LAMMOT BELIN CONCERTS

# **National Gallery of Art**



2441st Concert

# NATIONAL GALLERY ORCHESTRA GEORGE MANOS, conductor MUSIC OF VIENNA

Sunday Evening, 5 January 2003 Seven O'clock West Building, West Garden Court

Admission free

### **Program**

Johann Strauss Jr.
(1825–1899)

Op. 297

Eduard Strauss
(1827–1916)

Bahn frei (Clear Track)
Polka schnell, Op. 45

Josef Strauss

Frauenherz (A Woman's Heart)

(1827 - 1870)

Jokey-Polka (Jockey Polka) Polka schnell, Op. 278

Polka mazurka, Op. 166

Johann Strauss Jr. Im Krapfenwald (In the Krapf Woods)
Polka français, Op. 336

Kaiser-Walzer (Emperor Waltz), Op. 437 Furioso Polka, Op. 260

#### Intermission

Johann Strauss Jr. Par force (By Force)
Op. 308

Stadt und Land (City and Country)
Polka mazurka, Op. 322

Johann Strauss Jr. and Josef Strauss Pizzicato Polka

Johann Strauss Jr. Annen-Polka, Op. 117

Kreuzfidel (Pleased as Punch), Op. 301

Postillon d'amour (Messenger of Love), Op. 317

Perpetuum mobile (Perpetual Motion), Op. 257

Conductor, composer, and pianist **George Manos** has been director of music at the National Gallery of Art and conductor of the National Gallery Orchestra since 1985. He is also artistic director of the American Music Festival and of the National Gallery vocal and chamber ensembles, which he founded. Manos' career as a performing pianist and teacher has included several years on the faculty of the Catholic University of America in Washington, DC, where he taught piano, conducting, and chamber music. In addition, he held the directorship of the Wilmington, Delaware, School of Music, presenting an annual jazz festival and clinic. Maestro Manos founded and directed for ten years the renowned Kilarney Bach Festival in the Republic of Ireland and was the music director of the 1992 Scandinavian Music Festival in Kolding, Denmark.

This evening's concert marks the thirty-seventh time that a Viennese New Year concert has been presented at the National Gallery. Richard Bales and the National Gallery Orchestra presented the first one on 2 January 1966. The inspiration for these gala concerts is the concert that takes place in the famous Musikverein in Vienna, a tradition that began in 1939. All those who make their way to hear the Vienna Philharmonic play in that historic hall on New Year's Day are part of an illustrious musical legacy that includes such giants as Brahms, Bruckner, Mahler, and the Strauss family. Through the medium of recordings, radio, and television, this annual celebration of Viennese music has become a world-famous musical event. The presence of the audience and its reaction to sublime moments, favorite tunes, and musical jokes on stage are as important as the players in this festive drama.

The spirit of this gala, joyful concert is perfect for a celebration of the New Year. In this familiar music there is not only nostalgia for beauty and happiness now past, but also energy, liveliness, humor, and hope, as the music carries us, now whirling in a waltz, now pulsating in a march, through the present time and into the future.

As the years have gone by, the Viennese concert at the National Gallery has taken on the significance for Washington that the Musikverein concert has for Vienna. It has proven to be one of the Gallery's most popular concerts, and it is offered as a heartfelt wish, expressed in music, for a happy and prosperous New Year.

### PETER WILSON

### **Guest Conductor**

The National Gallery and the members of the National Gallery Orchestra wish to thank PETER WILSON, who agreed to conduct this program when George Manos became ill this week

Peter Wilson serves as Resident Conductor of the Catholic University Symphony in Washington, D.C. He is a twelve year veteran of "The President's Own," and performs at the White House as violin soloist, chamber musician and section leader with the Marine Orchestra. He also makes appearances throughout the United States as guest conductor, concertmaster, and performance clinician.