



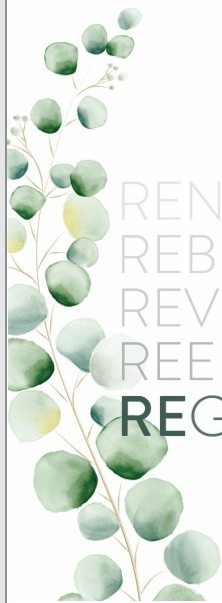
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ART of ELAN

COMMUNITY THROUGH MUSIC

Art of Elan Celebrates 15th Season with Return to Live Performances



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2021-2022 SEASON

San Diego - July 21, 2021- Art of Elan is moving forward with a season dedicated to the revitalization of San Diego's creative community and the artists and cultural institutions it encompasses. Entitled **Regeneration**, the organization known for its collaborative spirit and for introducing audiences to the "edges" of classical music will celebrate its 15th season with a renewed commitment to thoughtful programming and intentional community relationships.

According to co-founder and Artistic Director, **Kate Hatmaker**, "This special 15th season reminds us of the restorative and unifying power of the arts. It's an opportunity to re-energize our souls, revitalize our neighborhoods, and renew our commitment to lifting people up through music."

Season Highlights

Season highlights include a return to the long-running series at The San Diego Museum of Art, collaborations with Mingei International Museum, the new Institute of Contemporary Art, and the Front Gallery in San Ysidro.

Special guest artists include the [American Modern Opera Company \(AMOC\)](#), [Nathalie Joachim](#), [Johnny Gandelsman](#), the [Kontras Quartet](#), and the [Myriad Trio](#), featuring Art of Elan cofounder [Demarre McGill](#).

With music by [Jessie Montgomery](#), [Marcos Balter](#), [Nico Muhly](#), [Angelica Negron](#), [Javier Alvarez](#) and [Caroline Shaw](#), among many others, as well as the complete Bach Cello Suites . World premieres of exciting new works by [Timo Andres](#), [Adele Faizullina](#), [Steven Snowden](#) and [Jory Herman](#) round out this dynamic and celebratory season.

Calendar of Events

AUGUST

**Carlsbad Music Festival collaboration | outdoor lawn area, St. Michael's by-the-Sea
2775 Carlsbad Blvd. 92008 | August 28, 2021, 4:30pm**

Art of Elan is thrilled to once again partner with the Carlsbad Music Festival in a special performance that pairs the music of Brazilian composer (and recent appointee to the UC San Diego Department of Music faculty) Marcos Balter with works by Puerto Rico-born composer and multi-instrumentalist Angelica Negron and Haitian-American composer, singer and flutist Nathalie Joachim.

Tickets: [carlsbadmusicfestival](https://www.carlsbadmusicfestival.com)

SEPTEMBER

Musical Migrations | Mingei International Museum, Balboa Park | September 5, 2021, 3-5pm

As part of the grand reopening celebration of Mingei International Museum, Art of Elan's "Musical Migrations" will activate the gorgeous new spaces that have been thoughtfully imagined and designed for communal exploration and discovery. With various musical encounters throughout the museum and a culminating performance in the acoustically superb theater, this multi-sensory experience will include everything from classical to impressionist music, with tangos and colorful folk music woven throughout.

Ticket info at www.mingei.org/musicalmigrations. Limited seating for finale.

Young Artists in Harmony Spotlight Concert | The Front Gallery, 147 W San Ysidro Blvd, San Diego, CA 92173 | September 22, 2021, 7pm

This "Young Artists in Harmony Spotlight" concert featuring the music of Fernanda Baltodano and Jacob Herrera. As multi-year participants in Art of Elan's "Young Artists in Harmony" composition program, Fernanda and Jacob have created a portfolio of musical compositions that will be performed at this one-night-only special event. This collaborative concert features musicians from Art of Elan and will be professionally recorded for free download and streaming afterwards on the Art of Elan Instant Encore app.

OCTOBER

CROSSFIRE with Nathalie Joachim | Luce on Kettner, 2310 Kettner Blvd Suite A, San Diego 92101 | October 13, 2021, 7pm

Art of Elan launched this downtown series in 2011 as a "crossfire" of musical and creative ideas. This October, Grammy-nominated flutist, composer, and vocalist [Nathalie Joachim](https://www.nathaliejoachim.com) presents the live West Coast premiere of her evening-length work for voice, flute, string quartet and electronics, titled "*Fanm d'Ayiti*" (Women of Haiti). The program is a celebration of some of Haiti's most iconic yet under-recognized female artists, as well as an exploration of Joachim's Haitian heritage, featuring original songs that incorporate recorded voices and recorded interviews with some of the greatest known female voices in Haitian history. This is a rare opportunity to see this rising star perform her Grammy-nominated program in collaboration with Art of Elan musicians in a stunning new Little Italy venue.

NOVEMBER

Art of Elan @ SDMA | San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado, San Diego 92101 | November 9, 2021, 7pm

"Nostalgia"

This special program takes inspiration from the "Paintings of the Confinement" exhibit, in which San Diego-based artist **Marianela de la Hoz** shares 11 intimate egg tempera paintings created in 2020-2021 in response to COVID-19. Using "nostalgia" as a lens through which to explore the musical art of modern-day composers Nico Muhly and Kaija Saariaho alongside that of war-torn Europe from the 1940s (with works by Grazyna Bacewicz and Viktor Ullmann), this colorful program also features the world premiere of a new work written by Art of Elan's former Director of Community Engagement **Jory Herman**.

DECEMBER

**Young Artists in Harmony Showcase | A Reason To Survive (ARTS), 200 E 12th St, National City, 91950 | December 4, 2021, 12pm
FREE Event**

The culmination of the ten-week Fall 2021 **Young Artists in Harmony** program, this exciting concert will feature the world premiere performances of the compositions created by Fall 2021 program participants, performed by Art of Elan musicians.

For the past seven years, Art of Elan has offered its Young Artists in Harmony composition program in partnership with the nationally recognized A Reason To Survive (ARTS), an organization that believes in the power of the arts and creativity to literally transform lives – especially those of kids facing adversity. To dive into the archives of the Young Artists in Harmony composers' works, visit [Instant Encore](https://www.artofelan.com/instant-encore) for free

streaming and download. Videos of recent performances can also be found [here](#).

JANUARY

Myriad Trio | Mingei International Museum, 1439 El Prado, San Diego 92101 | January 13, 2022, 7pm

Art of Elan co-founder and Artistic Advisor **Demarre McGill** returns to San Diego with The Myriad Trio to premiere a new work for flute, viola and harp, written by American composer Timo Andres for the trio during the pandemic. Also featuring music by Claude Debussy and David Bruce, this not-to-be-missed event includes a post-concert reception with the artists.

FEBRUARY

“This is America” with Johnny Gandelsman | Institute for Contemporary Art (Central) 1439 El Prado, San Diego 92101 | February 13, 2022, 7pm

In response to the pandemic and societal turbulence of the last two years, Grammy-award winning violinist and producer **Johnny Gandelsman** has created “This Is America,” a new commissioning and recording project featuring over twenty new works for solo violin, written by American and U.S.-based artists. Commissioned by twenty different arts organizations spread throughout the U.S., including Art of Elan, “This is America” celebrates America's rich cultural tapestry and its myriad perspectives, thoughts and ideas, offering a vivid counterpoint to the idea that this land can be understood through a singular, dominant point of view. In partnership with the Gabriela Lena Frank Creative Academy of Music, Art of Elan commissioned Adele Faizullina to compose one of the works for this program. Each composition in the anthology reflects on the current state of American society in a personal and intimate way, looking through an unflinching lens at universal topics like separation, loneliness, hope and love.

BaCH @ The JAI | The JAI, 7600 Fay Ave, La Jolla 92037 | February 14, 2022, 7pm concert, pre-concert talk 6pm

Art of Elan returns to the JAI cabaret space at The Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center to present **Johnny Gandelsman** in an epic 2-hour performance of the complete cello suites by J. S. Bach, remarkably performed on violin. This opportunity to “fall in love with Bach,” rescheduled twice due to Covid, is part of Art of Elan’s **BaCH (Beyond a Concert Hall)** Initiative and includes a special pre-concert talk with cellist and Baroque specialist Alex Greenbaum.

MARCH

Art of Elan @ SDMA | San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado, San Diego 92101 | March 8, 2022, 7pm

“Evolution”

For the last several decades, contemporary Chinese photographer Wang Qingsong has been exploring the concept of evolution and how it affects culture in small communities as well as on a global scale. Inspired by the Qingsong exhibit, this special musical program includes folk music from around the world, taking listeners on a kaleidoscopic journey through time and space with music by American composer Lou Harrison, Turkish composer Erberk Eryilmaz, and Iranian composer Aftab Darvishi, among others.

APRIL

American Modern Opera Company “With Care” | April 13 and 14, 2022, 7pm, location TBD

Founded by Artistic Directors **Zack Winokur** and **Matthew Aucoin** (MacArthur Genius Grant recipient), American Modern Opera Company (AMOC) is a multidisciplinary collective of some of the most adventurous singers, dancers, and instrumentalists at work today in the fields of contemporary and classical music and dance. The one-hour production, “*With Care*,” is a visceral, moving work for two dancers (Bobbi Jene Smith and Or Schraiber, both former stars of the Batsheva Dance Company) and two violinists (Keir GoGwilt and Miranda Cuckson) with original music by Matthew Aucoin and others. Building on the cross-disciplinary work of *A Study on Effort* (“chilling, thrilling rawness” – *The New York Times*), *With Care* investigates the dynamics of caregiving, carelessness, and loss through a theatrical fusion of dance, music, and spoken word.

Kontras Quartet | ICA North, 550 S El Camino Real, Encinitas 92024 | April 21, 2022, 7pm

Art of Elan's former ensemble-in-residence, the Chicago-based Kontras Quartet, returns to San Diego for an evening of dynamic music-making and multimedia collaboration, featuring the world premiere of “Hidden Mothers,” written by composer Steven Snowden and commissioned by Art of Elan in 2019. Followers of the “Sounds & Swells” series will also be treated to the unveiling of a new project that features local footage from McCracken Films, as well as music by Felix Mendelssohn, Jessie Montgomery, Javier Alvarez and Angelica Negron.

MAY

Art of Elan @ SDMA | San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado, San Diego 92101 | May 17, 2022, 7pm

“For the Earth”

As a complement to the immersive exhibit by Fernando Casasepere, which pays homage to the earth and the many shifts it continues to undergo, this unique musical program brings awareness to that which is all around us, featuring the environmentally-minded music of John Luther Adams alongside more culturally focused music by Angelica Negron and Paul Wiancko. Caroline Shaw’s “Plan and Elevation” closes the concert and features the ever-dynamic **Hausmann Quartet**.

JUNE

Young Artists in Harmony Showcase | A Reason To Survive (ARTS), 200 E 12th St, National City, 91950 | June 4, 2022, 12pm
FREE Event

The culmination of the ten-week Spring 2022 Young Artists in Harmony program, this exciting concert will feature the world premiere performances of the compositions created by Spring 2022 Young Artists in Harmony participants, performed by Art of Elan musicians.



At Mingei International Museum



Young Artists in Harmony



Nathalie Joachim



Johnny Gandelsman



The Myriad Trio



The Kontras Quartet

Ticket Information

For more information and ticket links visit <https://artofelan.org/concerts>



Pioneering unique events and bringing the excitement of classical music to diverse audiences.

The mission of Art of Elan is to build community through music and enrich the cultural life of San Diego by presenting exciting and exceptional chamber music concerts, simultaneously educating and exposing diverse audiences to classical music through innovative programming, the commissioning of new works, unique performance venues and personal connections.

By drawing inspiration from the word élan, which represents momentum, vigor and spirit, and providing an opportunity to connect directly with concertgoers, Art of Elan hopes to engage and energize audiences in new ways.

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