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## Monday, September 22, 2025

Dear Music Guild Subscribers,

As we look ahead with excitement to our 81st season—a remarkable milestone in our history—we want to take a moment to celebrate the successes of the past year, including the triumphant return of our beloved SummerFest.

This summer, The Music Guild welcomed audiences back with four breathtaking concerts, featuring world-class musicians and unforgettable performances:

Piano Quartet Milano
Webern String Quartet
Trio Bohémo
and a stunning collaboration between violinist Martin Chalifour and pianist Steven
Vanhauwaert

What better way to spend a Sunday afternoon than surrounded by exquisite music, good friends, and delightful refreshments? It was truly a season to remember.

The return of SummerFest came as a welcome surprise to many in our community—and the enthusiasm was palpable. With each concert, our audience grew, culminating in our most well-attended event since 2019: a spectacular performance by Martin Chalifour and Steven Vanhauwaert that filled the hall and our hearts.

We were also thrilled to partner with our chamber music neighbors, The DaCamera Society, to present Trio Bohémo in a special weekend of back-to-back concerts—first at USC, then at St. Alban's Church. Hailing from the Czech Republic, this dynamic ensemble brought energy, artistry, and joy to the stage, making it a truly magical weekend of music-making.

Looking to the future, The Music Guild is proud to announce an important new chapter in our leadership. We welcome Dr. Martin Glicklich as our new Executive and Artistic Director—only the fourth to hold this position in our 81-year history. Dr. Glicklich succeeds the extraordinary Mr. Eugene Golden, whose decades of dedicated service shaped The Music Guild into one of Southern California's most respected chamber music institutions.

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With a distinguished background in performance, education, and arts leadership, Dr. Glicklich brings a vibrant and holistic vision to our organization—one that honors our proud legacy while embracing bold possibilities for the future.

Speaking of the future, we are excited to announce our season has expanded from 6 to 8 concerts with an incredible lineup of groups.

The California Piano Trio October 13, 2025
Webern String Quartet November 3, 2025
Trio Azura December 1, 2025
Martin Chalifour & Friends January 12, 2026
New Hollywood String Quartet February 26, 2026
Trio Bohémo March 16, 2026
Piano Quartet Milano April 13, 2026
Phillip Levy & Friends May 11, 2026

As we expand our concert season from 6 to 8 performances and grow our *Students Playing for Students* and Piano Adoption programs, *The Music Guild* is thrilled to offer more music and outreach than ever before. But with this growth comes increased need — and we simply cannot do it without your support.

Ticket sales cover only a portion of concert production costs, and our educational and community programs rely entirely on donations from supporters like you. That's why we're asking you to consider increasing your donation this season. And if you've enjoyed our concerts but haven't yet contributed, we would be honored to welcome you as a donor this year.

In the spirit of this exciting season, we're also pleased to offer a special opportunity: you can now sponsor a concert in your name, in honor of a loved one, or anonymously.

To learn more about sponsorship opportunities, please contact us at Concerts@TheMusicGuild.org.

Thank you, as always, for being part of The Music Guild family. We can't wait to share another unforgettable season with you.

Warmly, The Music Guild's Executive Board