

Week at a Glance

Tuesday

TUESDAY, JUNE 8, NOON

BIG SING

First United Methodist Church
407 N. Bridge Street

FREE ADMISSION

The community is the choir! Learn basic vocal technique and join a pick-up chorus including Grammy®-nominated singers led by Craig Hella Johnson. If you've ever dreamed of singing under the direction of a world-renowned conductor, join us!



TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 7:30 pm

KEN COWAN IN CONCERT

First English Lutheran Church
500 N. Main Street

FREE ADMISSION



Concert by acclaimed Canadian organist Ken Cowan, sponsored by Frels Pipe Organs.

"It is difficult to find enough adjectives to describe Ken Cowan's playing. He is simply one of the best anywhere!"
--The Diapason

"Cowan's careful and wonderfully sensitive musical interpretation...moved this writer to tears." -- The American Organist

Wednesday

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, NOON

35TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

First United Methodist Church
407 N. Bridge Street

FREE ADMISSION

Celebrate the 35th anniversary of the founding of the festival! We're in an anniversary mood with this concert of songs by composers who share 2010 as a special year: Schumann's 200th birthday, Hugo Wolf's 150th and Barber's 100th.



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 7:30 pm

ECSTATIC EXPRESSIONS

Leo J. Welder Center
214 N. Main Street

LIVE broadcast
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\$20/\$15/\$10

SCHUMANN Piano Quintet in E flat major
BORODIN String Quartet No. 2 in D major
POULENC Sextuor

VBF Chamber Artists

Joyous and expressive music for small ensembles by Schumann, Borodin and Poulenc.



Thursday

THURSDAY, JUNE 10, NOON

NEW YOUNG ARTISTS

First United Methodist Church
407 N. Bridge Street

FREE ADMISSION

Inspiring performances by young musicians: guitarist Thales Smith and soprano Erin English.



THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 7:30 pm

J.S. BACH: BRANDENBURG CONCERTOS

First United Methodist Church
407 N. Bridge Street

\$25/\$20/\$15

BACH Brandenburg concertos in no. 2 F major and no. 3 in G major
WASSENAER Concerto Armonico No. 1 in G Major
ALBINONI Trio Sonata in E Minor

VBF Chamber Artists

An intimate performance of the beloved 2nd and 3rd Brandenburg concertos on period instruments.



Friday

FRIDAY, JUNE 11, NOON

ARRRTISTRY AND PIRACY

First United Methodist Church
407 N. Bridge Street

FREE ADMISSION

ROSSINI / PAGANINI Variations on One String
RAVEL Piano Trio in A minor
RACHMANINOV Trio Élégiaque in D minor

Pianist Michelle Schumann, violinist Corinne Stillwell and cellist Greg Sauer perform music by three "great R's": Rossini, Rachmaninov, and Ravel. Learn about traditions in musical "piracy" and borrowings between composers.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 7:30 pm

CELEBRATING CHOPIN: MELISSA MARSE IN CONCERT

Victoria College Auditorium
2200 E. Red River Street

\$20/\$15/\$10

Virtuosic pianist Melissa Marse performs music for solo piano by Chopin in celebration of the composer's 100th birthday.



Known as the Poet of the Piano, Frédéric Chopin created intensely expressive and sensual music which Marse interprets with passion and poise.

Saturday

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 1:30 pm

FILM: BACH AND FRIENDS

Victoria Public Library
302 N. Main Street

FREE ADMISSION

World-class musicians including Joshua Bell, Bobby McFerrin, Hilary Hahn, and Béla Fleck share their innermost thoughts and personal reflections on the power and genius of Bach's music. Hear performances of his greatest masterpieces on instruments including violin, organ, clarinet, banjo, ukulele, and glass harp!

Michael Lawrence, dir.; 2009; 116 min;
documentary/not rated

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 7:30 pm

J.S. BACH: MASS IN B MINOR

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
4102 N. Ben Jordan Street

\$30/\$25/\$20

Victoria Bach Festival Baroque Orchestra
Conspirare
Craig Hella Johnson, conductor

Some of Bach's most profound and beautiful music, the Mass in B minor is grand in scale and remarkable for its musical and spiritual unity. A period performance using instruments and tunings in the style of those used in Bach's day.

This collaborative production with Grammy®-nominated choral ensemble Conspirare will be repeated on Sunday, June 13, at 7:00pm at the Long Center for the Performing Arts in Austin. Call 512-476-5775 for tickets to the Austin performance.