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## SANTA YNEZ VALLEY CONCERT SERIES

# Transformation Celebrating the return of live concerts

Saturday, June 26, 2021 at 5pm

Ani Aznavoorian, cello & Robert Cassidy, piano

Sonata No. 4 in C Major for Piano and Cello, Op. 102, No.1 Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827) Andante – Allegro vivace Adagio – Tempo d'andante – Allegro vivace

Sonata for Cello and Piano Prologue: Lent, sostenuto e molto risoluto Sérénade: Modérément animé Finale: Animé, léger et nerveux Claude Debussy (1862-1918)

Sonata No.1 in E Minor for Piano and Cello, Op. 38 Allegro non troppo Allegretto quasi Menuetto Allegro Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

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**Cellist Ani Aznavoorian** is described by The Strad Magazine as having "Scorchingly committed performances that wring every last drop of emotion out of the music. Her technique is well-nigh immaculate, she has a natural sense of theater, and her tone is astonishingly responsive." Ms. Aznavoorian received both her Bachelor and Master of Music degrees from The Juilliard School and continues to perform often in New York and also throughout the world as soloist with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Boston Pops, Tokyo Philharmonic, Helsinki Philharmonic, Finnish Radio Symphony, International Sejong Soloists, Belgrade Philharmonic, Juilliard Orchestra and Edmonton Symphony. Ms Aznavoorian also is a member of the faculty at

summer festivals as well as the University of Illinois in Champaign/Urbana. This season marks Ms. Aznavoorian's 14th year as principal cellist with Camerata Pacifica. A recent highlight was the honor of performing Lera Auerbach's "Dreammusik" for Cello and Chamber Orchestra which was written and commissioned for her by Camerata Pacifica. To learn more go to: http://www.aniaznavoorian.com



**Pianist Robert Cassidy** has received widespread acclaim for his performances and recordings of both solo piano repertoire and chamber music. He received his Bachelors and Masters degrees in Piano Performance from the Manhattan School of Music; and Doctor of Arts in Piano Chamber Music and Accompanying/ Piano Performance from Ball State University. He is a sought after soloist, chamber musician, as well as teacher and coach. In addition to his performances, Dr. Cassidy continues his active teaching career based at the Music Academy of the West in Santa Barbara. Dr. Cassidy has been Artistic Director of the Santa Ynez Valley Concert Series since 2019. To learn more go

to: http://www.robertcassidypianist.com

### Our thanks to all our audience for being part of this live concert benefit event.

The 41st season of the Santa Ynez Valley Concert Series will begin in October 2021. Look for the formal announcement, subscriber packet, and Save the Dates cards in early August. Tickets go on sale September 1st at **smitv.org/syv-concert-series**.

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