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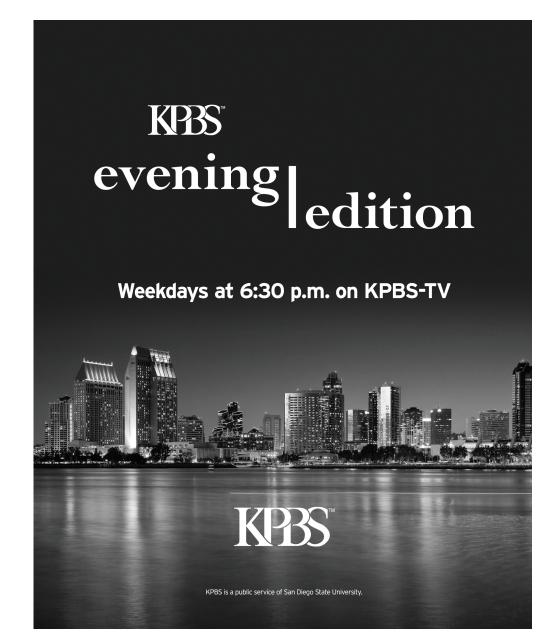
David Borgo: Acoustic & Electronic Wednesday, May 20, 2015 - 7pm CPMC Conert Hall



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MICHAEL NICOLAS + ALECK



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FEATURING WORKS BY CHARLES WUORINEN, EARLE BROWN, BEN WEBER, MORTON FELDMAN, ELLIOTT CARTER

CHARLES WUORINEN

AN ORBICLE OF JASP (1999)

EARLE BROWN

MUSIC FOR CELLO AND PIANO (1955)

BEN WEBER

FIVE PIECES, OP. 13 (1941)

MORTON FELDMAN

DURATIONS II (1960)

ELLIOTT CARTER

SONATA FOR CELLO AND PIANO (1948)

MODERATO

VIVACE, MOLTO LEGGIERO

ADAGIO

ALLEGRO

MICHAEL NICOLAS

Hailed by critics from the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post*, "brilliantly assured" cellist Michael Nicolas is one of the rising stars of his generation and a dynamic performer on the classical and contemporary music scene, in demand as a soloist, chamber musician, recording artist, teacher, and music writer. He captivates audiences across North America, Europe, and Asia with his ravishing tone, refined musicality, and probing interpretations of a wide variety of repertoire.

After graduating from the Juilliard School, Michael was appointed Associate Principal Cellist of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, with which he played over the course of four seasons, but made the uncommon decision to trade a stable, tenured job for a more flexible and multifaceted career path, and also to dedicate more time and energy to a particular passion of his: the music of the present. Michael is currently a member of the International Contemporary Ensemble (ICE), and has worked with many distinguished composers – Milton Babbitt, Elliott Carter, Mario Davidovsky, Steve Reich, Kaija Saariaho, Charles Wuorinen, John Zorn – as well as countless others of his own generation. His many festival appearances around the world include the Bridgehampton, Chamber Music Northwest, Huddersfield Contemporary Music, Iceland Airwaves, Lincoln Center White Light, Marlboro Music, Mostly Mozart, Ravinia, and Wien Modern festivals.

Michael is also a member of Ensemble Ditto, a chamber music group based in South Korea that has garnered extraordinary success in reaching new and more diverse classical music audiences. They have achieved a massive fan following, selling out concert halls all over Korea and Japan, and have released albums through the Universal Korea label.

Of mixed French-Canadian and Taiwanese heritage, Michael was born in Winnipeg, Canada, and currently resides in New York City.

ALECK KARIS

Aleck Karis has performed recitals, chamber music, and concertos across the Americas, Europe and in China. As the pianist of the new music ensemble Speculum Musicae he has participated in over a hundred premieres and performed at major American and European festivals. His appearances with orchestra have ranged from concertos by Mozart, Beethoven and Chopin to those of Stravinsky, Messiaen and Carter. His five solo discs on Bridge Records include Chopin/Carter/Schumann, Mozart, Stravinsky, Cage and Feldman/Webern/Wolpe. His two discs on Roméo Records are Music of Philip Glass, and Late Chopin. Last month, Bridge released his most recent disc, Feldman's haunting last work *Piano, Violin, Viola, Cello.* He has studied with William Daghlian, Artur Balsam and Beveridge Webster. He is a distinguished professor of music at the University of California, San Diego, and Associate Dean of the Division of Arts and Humanities.

