

The *Andante spianato et Grande polonaise brillante* is a prime example of Chopin's *Polonaises*, all of which are distinctive for their majesty and the Polish nationalism they express. The work demands a mastery of the entire keyboard and has radiant passages that allow the composition to take on a life of its own.

- notes by Ann Margeson

CONCERTS AT THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART
Under the Direction of George Manos

FEBRUARY 1997

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| 2 | National Gallery Orchestra
George Manos, <i>Conductor</i> | To be announced |
| 9 | Bradford and Maribeth Gowen,
<i>duo-pianists</i> | Music of Franz Schubert for
piano, four hands |
| 16 | Fabio Bidini, <i>pianist</i> | Beethoven: <i>Sonata, Opus 101</i>
Chopin: <i>Scherzo No. 2</i>
<i>Sonata No. 3</i> |
| 23 | Catherine Robbin,
<i>mezzo-soprano</i>
Michael McMahon, <i>pianist</i> | Elgar: <i>Sea Pictures</i>
Songs by Schubert and Brahms |

MARCH 1997

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| 2 | National Gallery Orchestra
George Manos, <i>Conductor</i> ,
Guest Artist Beverly
Benso, <i>contralto</i> , and The
Washington Men's Camerata | Brahms: <i>Alto Rhapsody</i>
Schubert: <i>Symphony No. 3</i>
<i>Gesang der Geister über</i>
<i>den Wassern</i>
Von Weber: <i>Hunters' Chorus</i> |
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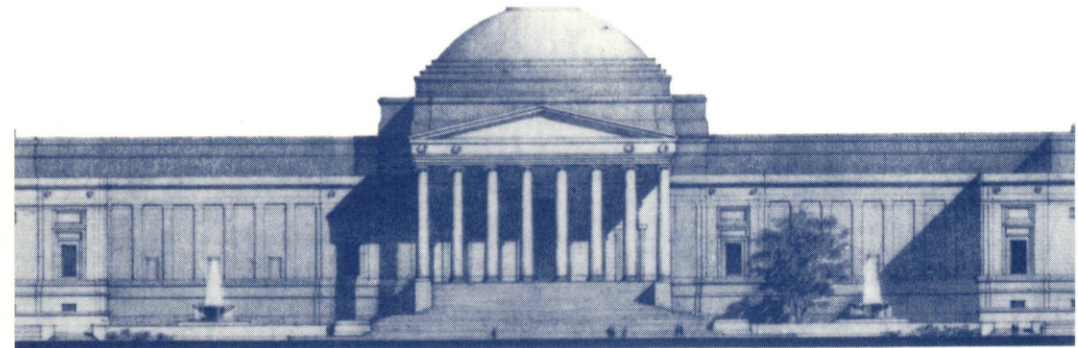
Concerts from the National Gallery are broadcast in their entirety at 7:00 p.m. on Sundays on radio station WGTS, 91.9 FM, four weeks after the live performance. The use of cameras or recording equipment during the performance is not allowed.

*For the convenience of concertgoers
the Garden Café remains open until 6:30 p.m.*

The Fifty-fifth Season of

THE WILLIAM NELSON CROMWELL and
F. LAMMOT BELIN CONCERTS

National Gallery of Art



2218th Concert

WU HAN, *pianist*

Presented in honor of the opening of the Exhibition:
*Splendors of Imperial China: Treasures from
The National Palace Museum, Taipei*

Sunday Evening, January 26, 1997
at Seven O'clock
West Building, West Garden Court

Admission Free

Please note that Wu Han's program after the intermission will be as follows:

Debussy

Children's Corner
(1906-08)

Doctor Gradus ad Parnassum
Jimbo's Lullaby
Serenade for the Doll
The Snow is Dancing
The Little Shepherd
Golliwog's Cakewalk

Chopin

Ballade No. 1 in G Minor, Opus 23
(1831-35)

Andante spianato et
Grande polonaise brillante
Opus 22 (1830-31)