

## Recap of the Cleveland Cello Society's 2010-2011 Season

We presented six great events in this season.

**First, the Cleveland Cello Society was thrilled to present in recital the recently-arrived new Principal Cellist of The Cleveland Orchestra, Mark Kosower.** Joining him at the piano was his wife, Jee-Won Oh. This took place on Monday, September 27, 7:30 PM, at Harkness Chapel, in University Circle. The wonderful program included works by Bach, Tcherepnin, Poulenc, Mendelssohn, Popper, and Kodaly (the last two in two enthralling encores!).

**Second, on October 3 we held our Scholarship Winners' Recital.** The winners of the CCS 2010 Scholarship Competition all performed: Collegiate Division: Madeline Kabat; Agnew Prize for Bach: Eric Tinkerhess; Senior Division: Nathanael Matthews; Junior Division: Sameer Apte and Braden McConnell; Elementary Division: Bethany Bobbs. Venue: the Music Settlement, 11125 Magnolia Drive (in University Circle). A truly fantastic set of excellent performances by all involved!

**Third, on November 7 was our perennial favorite, i Cellisti! 2010.** This year we had jazz cellist Matt Brubeck join us for an afternoon of cello ensemble music, featuring works by Dave and Matt Brubeck. Cellists from all over northeast Ohio participated, as well as the Music Settlement's Jazz Ensemble. The program closed with all performers on stage together for a "jam session" version of "Take Five."

**Fourth, we held the Cello Masterclass Festival on January 23.** This was a great opportunity for all aspiring cellists in grades 6 through 12. Featured teachers included Catharina Meints (Oberlin College/Conservatory, Cleveland Orchestra), Mark Kosower (new Principal Cellist of The Cleveland Orchestra), and Paul Kushious (Cleveland Orchestra). Much playing, much learning, and even a little socializing!

**Fifth, we heard a Son's Recollections of Antonio Janigro on March 11.** Many of you may not know that Cleveland Cello Society Board member Damir Janigro is the son of one of the great cellists of the 20th century, Antonio Janigro. A neurologist at the Cleveland Clinic, Dr. Janigro shared wonderful slides, photos, stories, anecdotes, and musical excerpts from the amazing life of a musical family that bounced around Italy, France, and Croatia during, between, and after World Wars I and II. Casals, Shostakovich, and even Mussolini played a role in the life and career of Antonio Janigro, and Damir narrated it all with insight, intelligence, and wit. A truly memorable, one-of-a-kind event, for which we are all indebted to Damir. Many thanks!

**And finally, on April 17, 2011, we held our annual CCS Scholarship Competition,** in which 40 cellists of all ages came together to compete for Cleveland Cello Society Scholarships in four divisions. Winner of the Elementary Division was Matthew Fields. Winner in the Junior Division was Henry Shapard. Winner of the Senior Division was Hannah Moses, with an Honorable Mention to Benjamin Francisco. And the winner of the Collegiate Division was Christopher Irvine, who also won the Agnew Prize for Bach. Check the 2011-2012 season schedule for announcements about the Fall's Winners' Recital, in which our four top finishers will perform.