University of Guelph College of Arts, School of Fine Art and Music
and the Guelph Jazz Festival Present

David Virelles

THURSDAY AT NOON
Free Concert Series
Thursday, September 15 • 12:00 pm
MacKinnon Room 107 (Goldschmidt Room)

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Program

Repertoire from Èfé (Danzas Cubanas) composed by David Virelles.

Biography

Named “#1 Rising Star” in the Piano category in DownBeat Magazine’s Critics Poll in 2015, Cuban born pianist/composer David Virelles grew up in a musical home. He started studying music at seven, as well as being exposed to the rich Cuban musical traditions.

The Brooklyn-based Virelles, who once became the first recipient of the Oscar Peterson award, has performed or recorded with Ravi Coltrane, Henry Threadgill, Román Díaz, Tomasz Stanko, Wadada Leo Smith, Jane Bunnett and The Spirits Of Havana, Dewey Redman, Sam Rivers, Steve Coleman, Andrew Cyrille, Hermeto Pascoal, José Luis Quintana “Changuito”, Stanley Cowell, Chucho Valdés, Paul Motian, Chris Potter, Mark Turner, Tom Harrell, Milford Graves, Alberto Lescay, among others.


“Virelles looks set to make big differences in contemporary music for years to come.”
The Guardian

“A different side to the great legacy of pianists that come from Cuba... He is the new school.”
Gilles Peterson

“...there is a young Cuban pianist named David Virelles, whom I consider a genius.”
Chucho Valdés

“It’s got nerve and soul and memory.”
The New York Times

Additional Guelph Jazz Festival Concerts with David Virelles
www.guelphjazzfestival.com

7:30 pm Thursday, September 25 at Co-operators Hall, River Run Centre - David Virelles Mbòkó featuring Román Díaz, Eric McPherson and Thomas Morgan (New York / Cuba)– Tickets Adult $35 / Student or Senior $25

8:00 pm Friday, September 16 at Guelph Youth Music Centre - Song Everlasting: Tribute to Don Pullen (with Jane Bunnett, David Virelles, Howard Johnson, Kieran Overs, Larry Cramer, and J.T. Lewis) (Toronto / New York) - Tickets Adult $27 / Student or Senior $25
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Concert Series

♫♫ “Celebrating over 49 Years of Music Making” ♫♫

Fall Semester 2016

Concerts start at 12:00 p.m. Thursdays in MacKinnon Room 107 (Goldschmidt Room)

Admission FREE – donations gratefully appreciated. Everyone Welcome!

September 15 …..David Virelles. A piano recital with Cuban, NY based pianist and composer David Virelles, featuring material from his collection of compositions Ëfé (Danzas Cubanas). Presented in partnership with the Guelph Jazz Festival.

September 22……Dévah Quartet. Ever wonder how a band develops its sound? Join a time-lapse concert of Dévah Quartet as they take the audience through their 7 year development from being a classical quartet to the electric prog-rock quartet they currently are.

September 29 …..Musique de la France et du Quebec. French cellist Antoine Pierlot and Canadian-American pianist Jason Cutmore team up from across the Atlantic to present a concert of French and Franco-Canadian masterpieces, including Saint-Saëns’ riveting cello Sonata #1.

October 6 ..........Johannes Linstead ~ Guitar of Fire! Enjoy an exciting afternoon of passionate Spanish guitars and fiery fretwork with Canada's "Guitarist of the Year" and JUNO nominee Johannes Linstead with special guest Geoff Hlibka.

October 13 ..........NO CONCERT week of Thanksgiving and Fall Study Break Day

October 20 ..........Awea Duo. Praised for their soulful rendering and extraordinary sensitivity, Awea Duo has performed across the US and internationally. Their exciting program for flute and saxophone duo includes works, transcriptions, and premiere of a new work by Canadian composer, Emilie LeBel.

October 27 ..........The Phoenix Jazz Group in concert performing original acoustic mainstream jazz in a contemporary vein, acknowledging the great traditions in jazz that have gone before it.

November 3 .....Ken Aldcroft Threads (Quintet). Performing music that simultaneously merges improvisation with composition while embracing the rich history of the jazz tradition and, in some small way, moving it forward.

November 10 ...Robert Gruca – Guitar Works Through the Ages. This concert will touch on major guitar works dating back to the Renaissance and include selections of Baroque and Modern Classical Guitar repertoire.

November 17 .......Michael Lewin. Grammy-winning American virtuoso pianist plays music ranging from classics by Beethoven and Chopin to colourful Latin American works by Villa-Lobos and Ginastera.

November 24 .......Student Soloists Day, featuring the talented Applied Music students from SOFAM.

For more information on the fall 2016 series, contact Vicki Isotamm (visotamm@uoguelph.ca) 519 824-4120 ext.52991

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