

MUSiC "Concert"



Peter Takacs and Jodi Kantner (MUSiC)



Carol Arnold Porter and Michael Bailis (MUSiC)



Manny Naft, Jodi Kantner and Mia Kim (MUSiC)



Faye D'Amore with Frank and Leslie Buck (MUSiC)



Marilyn Stabis, Sandy Bohl and Dr. Peter Katafiasz (MUSiC)



Judi Naft, Jennifer November and Isabel Held (MUSiC)

It was an afternoon of glorious music by world-renowned pianist Peter Takacs to benefit Musical Upcoming Stars in the Classics (MUSiC) held at the InterContinental Hotel.

Professor Takacs, of the Oberlin Conservatory, who earned acclaim for his monumental 11-disc complete Beethoven piano cycle last year, was joined by Alexander Kostritsa, piano; Danielle Lombardi, mezzo-soprano; Michelle Abraham and Suliman Tekalli, violin; Joe LoCicero, viola, and Matthew Allen and James Jaffe, cello.

The afternoon featured an elegant brunch that included grilled salmon, scrambled eggs with chives, bacon, sautéed chicken, fruit and greens, pastries, warm apple crisp and red velvet cake.

MUSiC, headed by Artistic Director Jodi Kantner, is committed to providing intimate performance opportunities for emerging, world-class musicians. "Through its activities, MUSiC provides enjoyment for audiences, helps launch new musical careers, introduces novel performance venues, expands the audience for chamber music and aims to enhance Northeast Ohio's reputation as an international capital of musical excellence," Ms. Kantner said. STORY AND PHOTOGRAPHS BY SALI McSHERRY