

Violinist Nadya Tichman to Appear with Pianist Marc Shapiro On Sunday Afternoon, February 17

The Associate Concertmaster of the San Francisco Symphony, violinist Nadya Tichman, will appear with pianist Mark Shapiro, also a member of the San Francisco Symphony, in a concert at the Gualala Arts Center on Sunday afternoon, February 17, 4 pm. The program will include Beethoven's *Sonata in G-Major, No.3*, Prokofiev's *Sonata for Violin Solo*, Stravinsky's *Pastorale*, Somei Satoh's *Birds in Warped Time II*, and Saint-Saen's *Sonata in D-Minor*.



Ms. Tichman is known to Gualala music-lovers. Her most recent appearance here was in July, 2007, when she performed as a member of the Roy-Bogas-and-Friends Ensemble in the annual Gualala Arts Summer Chamber Music Weekend. Prior to that, she performed to great acclaim with pianist Roy Bogas in March, 2006. The February 17 concert will be the first performance of pianist Marc Shapiro in Gualala. We welcome him.

Nadya Tichman, Associate Concertmaster of the San Francisco Symphony, joined the orchestra in 1980, and served as Acting Concertmaster from 1998 to 2001. Born in New York, she studied with Dorothy Delay at Juilliard, and received a bachelor's degree from Curtis Institute of music, where she studied with Ivan Galamian, Jaime Laredo, and Yumi Ninomiya-Scott. In San Francisco, she continued her studies with Isadore Tinkleman.

Ms. Tichman has performed as soloist with the SF Symphony on many occasions, most recently in January, 2006, in Bach's *Concerto for Two Violins* with SFSO Concertmaster Alexander Barantshik. She has been a soloist with the Midsummer Mozart Festival under the Baton of George Cleve. She has also been a member of the Aspen Festival Orchestra, the Concerto Soloists of Philadelphia, and the Santa Fe Opera Orchestra, and was a founding member of the Donatello Quartet. She was co-director of the Chamber Music Sundaes series from 1984 to 1986, and has performed at the Grand Teton Music Festival, Chamber Music West, the Olympic Music Festival, and Music in the Vineyards. She performs in many chamber music series, including Davies Hall, MasterGuild, and the Gualala Festival, and has recorded on the New Albion Label.

A champion of contemporary music, Ms. Tichman has had pieces dedicated to her by composers Peter Schickel and Jim Lahti, and this April will premiere a duet written for her and her husband, guitarist John Imholz, by composer Allen Shearer. Nadya Tichman plays a 1724 Stradivarius violin, purchased by the San Francisco Symphony for her exclusive use.

Marc Shapiro, pianist, and acting member of the San Francisco Symphony has partnered with such distinguished soloists as John Mack, Timothy Day, David Wilson-Johnson, Geraldine Walther and William Bennett. Currently he is the Principal keyboardist for the California Symphony and was the San Francisco Symphony Chorus accompanist from 1984-2003. He has toured with the San Francisco Symphony throughout Europe, Asia and the United States and as featured soloist, he has performed Stravinsky's *Les Noces*, Saint Saen's *Carnival of the Animals*, Martin's *Petite Symphonie Concertante* and James P. Johnson's *Yamekraw*. In addition, he tours with the popular show, *Bugs Bunny on Broadway* as principal keyboardist (and slide guitar) with orchestras throughout the United States. He can be heard on several motion picture soundtracks such as *House of Yes*, *Mars Attacks* and *Hellboy*, and he has recorded with the popular heavy metal group *Metallica*. Mr. Shapiro is a frequent performer for Composer's Inc., Chamber Music Sundae, San Francisco Symphony Chamber Music Series, Sierra Chamber Music Society, Mainly Mozart Festival (San Diego) and The Mohonk Festival of the Arts in New York. Mr. Shapiro, who is on the piano faculty of Mills College, received his B.M. and M.M. from The Peabody Conservatory of Music and has recorded for Cantilena, New Albion, Music and Art, Delos, Argo, d'Note and Lapis Island Records.

Tickets are \$20 for advance purchases, or \$25 on the day of the concert. Children and young people ages 7 through 17 are admitted FREE. Advance tickets are available at the Gualala Arts Center or at the Dolphin Gallery in Gualala. For advance credit card purchases by telephone, call the Arts Center at 707-884-1138.