

*******Press Release*******

The Wesley Series at Bella Vista First United Methodist Church
Proudly Presents

Er-Gene Kahng, Violin

Associate Professor of Violin at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

Broc Hite, Piano

Associate Director of Music at First UMC, Bella Vista

Featuring Works of Fauré, Grieg, and Stephanie Boyd

Sunday, April 24, 2016 at 3 p.m.

Er-Gene Kahng's performance have been described as "sporting a sweet warm tone" and "a caressing sense of phrase", "translat[ing] the music into a meaningful musical discourse that few virtuosi accomplish".

Kahng has held title positions with the Baton Rouge Symphony Orchestra, the Civic Orchestra of Chicago, as well as section positions with the Lancaster Symphony, New Haven Symphony Orchestra, and Eastern Connecticut Symphony. She is currently serving as Concertmaster of Arkansas Philharmonic, North Mississippi Symphony Orchestra, and is the Assistant Concertmaster of Fort Smith Symphony. She also performs as a substitute section violinist with the Tulsa Symphony Orchestra and Arkansas Symphony Orchestra. She was previously the Associate concertmaster of SoNA (Symphony of Northwest Arkansas) as well as a previous member (season 2011 and 2012) of the Artosphere Festival Orchestra.

In addition to being a member of the Fulbright Trio, the resident faculty piano trio, Kahng participates in and co-founded the Fulbright Summer Chamber Music festival, a 6-week summer chamber music series. The festival explores chamber music from a variety of stylistic periods and instrumentation, and allows for the collaboration of local and national musicians during mid-May through June every year.

*******About the Wesley Series*******

It is our 21th Anniversary Season! The Wesley Series began in 1995 with a piano recital, and has expanded to include events as diverse as voice and organ recitals, string quartet concerts, jazz and bluegrass performances, art exhibits, and the occasional lecture by a theologian or politician.

The performance space is the beautiful sanctuary, featuring a concert grand Steinway piano and our 30-rank Casavant Frères/Temple pipe organ. It is the third-largest pipe organ in Northwest Arkansas.

For more information, please visit us on the Web at WesleySeries.com

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First United Methodist Church of Bella Vista, Arkansas

Presents

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3:00 p.m.

PROGRAM

Amerigo Sonata (2015)

Prologue | Kalaheo

Fantasia | Tiburon

Soliloquy | Ronan

Lullaby | Monona

Dance | Derry

Epilogue | Nightmute

Stephanie Ann Boyd

b. 1990

Sonata No. 3 in c minor, Op. 45 (1887)

Allegro molto ed appassionato

Allegretto espressivo alla Romanza/Allegro molto

Allegro animato

Edvard Grieg

(1843-1907)

Intermission

Among Darkened Peonies (2012/2014)

Stephanie Ann Boyd

Sonata No. 1 in A Major, Opus 13 (1876)

Allegro molto

Andante

Allegro vivo

Allegro quasi presto

Gabriel Fauré

(1845-1924)