Spring 2013 Upcoming Events

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Faculty Artist Recital

*Suren Bagratuni, Cello*
*Ralph Votapek, Piano*

Wednesday, February 20, 2013, 7:30 pm
Cook Recital Hall
Program

Sonata in F major, Op. 6
Allegro con brio
Andante ma non troppo
Finale. Allegro vivo

Sonata, Op. 6
Allegro ma non troppo
Adagio – Presto – di nuovo Adagio
Allegro appassionato

Intermission

Sonata in E minor, Op. 38
Allegro non troppo
Allegretto quasi Menuetto
Allegro

Artist Bios

**Suren Bagratuni** won the silver medal at the 1986 International Tchaikovsky Competition while still a student at the Moscow Conservatory. He has toured worldwide, earning enthusiastic praise in both the traditional and contemporary repertoire. He has performed with major orchestras in the former Soviet Union, including the Moscow Philharmonic, and has also appeared with numerous orchestras in Europe, Asia, and North and South America. In addition to his solo activities, he performs as a member of Trio Nobilis, serves as artistic director of the Cello Plus music festival, and conducts master classes worldwide. A former faculty member of the New England Conservatory and the University of Illinois, he is professor of cello, co-chair of the string area, and artist teacher at the MSU College of Music.

**Ralph Votapek**, the first gold medalist of the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition and winner of the prestigious Naumburg Award, has performed with the Chicago Symphony, the Philadelphia Orchestra, the New York and Los Angeles Philharmonics, the Boston Pops, the Pittsburgh, San Francisco, Houston, Dallas, St. Louis, National Symphonies, and other top ensembles. He has also toured in Latin America, Russia, Japan, and Korea and has performed in Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Chicago’s Orchestra Hall, and the National Gallery in Washington. His most recent CD, 20th Century Masterpieces, Volume II, was released in November on the Blue Griffin label. It features works by Albeniz, Ravel, Griffes, and Kapustin. Votapek is professor emeritus of piano at the Michigan State University College of Music, where he served as artist-in-residence for 36 years.