



JENSEN ARTISTS
WWW.JENSENARTISTS.COM • 646.536.7864

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Press Contact: Maggie Stapleton | Jensen Artists
646.536.7864 x2 | maggie@jensenartists.com

**Violinist Anne Akiko Meyers and Guitarist Jason Vieaux
Season Finale Celebration Presented by Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival**



Friday, April 26, 2019 at 7:30pm

The Ritz-Carlton | 4750 Amelia Island Parkway | Amelia Island, FL

Tickets (\$65, includes dessert reception) and more information: www.ameliachambermusic.org

“Fleet fingerwork in both instruments marked the players as virtuosos” – *Strings Magazine*

**“She is a musical wizard, with astonishing access to every kind of expressive color.” – *San Diego Union-Tribune*
[Watch Meyers Perform Bach’s Ave Maria | www.anneakikomeyers.com](http://www.anneakikomeyers.com)**

**“Perhaps the most precise and soulful classical guitarist of his generation.” – NPR
[Watch Vieaux perform Duke Ellington’s In a Sentimental Mood / www.jasonvieaux.com](http://www.jasonvieaux.com)**

Amelia Island, FL – On **Friday, April 26, 2019 at 7:30pm**, Billboard top-selling violinist **Anne Akiko Meyers** and Grammy-winning classical guitarist **Jason Vieaux** join forces for **Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival’s** season finale celebration at **The Ritz-Carlton** (4750 Amelia Island Parkway).

Their program features original works and arrangements for violin and guitar, spanning the Baroque era to the 21st Century. Works include **Corelli’s** Sonata in D minor “La Folia” (arr. Andy Poxon) (guitar/violin); **Philip Glass’** *Metamorphosis II* (arr. Michael Riesman for Meyers); **Astor Piazzolla’s** *Histoire du Tango*; **John Corigliano’s** *Lullaby for Natalie* (written for Meyers, 2010); and **Manuel De Falla’s** *Siete Canciones Populares Espanolas*.

After presenting highly acclaimed performances at the Eastern Music Festival in North Carolina, Meyers and Vieaux created this recital program for a four-city tour, with additional performances in California, Washington D.C., and New Jersey. Meyers and Vieaux will each perform a solo work: **Rentarō Taki’s** *Kojo No Tsuki (The Moon over the Ruined Castle)* (arr. Anne Akiko Meyers) for solo violin and **Antônio Carlos Jobím’s** *A Felicidade* (arr. Dyens) for solo guitar.

Of their performance of Piazzolla at the Green Music Center, *Strings Magazine* praised, “Vieaux’s flawless and seemingly effortless technique,” and reported, “Meyers demonstrated her prowess as a ‘vocal’ musician, making use of texture and vibrato to color her playing as a singer would.”

Grammy-winner **Jason Vieaux**, “among the elite of today's classical guitarists” (*Gramophone*), is the guitarist that goes beyond the classical. His most recent solo album, *Play*, won the 2015 Grammy Award for Best Classical Instrumental Solo.

Vieaux has earned a reputation for putting his expressiveness and virtuosity at the service of a remarkably wide range of music, and his schedule of performing, and recording commitments is distinguished throughout the U.S. and abroad.

Jason Vieaux has performed as soloist with over 100 orchestras in the U.S. and abroad. Additional recent and future highlights include performances at Caramoor Festival as Artist-in-Residence, Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, the National Gallery of Art, San Francisco's Herbst Theatre, Buenos Aires' Teatro Colon, Amsterdam's Concertgebouw, New York's 92Y, Ravinia Festival, and many other distinguished series. A first-rate chamber musician and programmer, he frequently collaborates with artists such as the Escher Quartet, harpist Yolanda Kondonassis, and accordion/bandoneon virtuoso Julien Labro. His passion for new music has fostered premieres by Jonathan Leshnoff, Avner Dorman, Jeff Beal, Dan Visconti, David Ludwig, Vivian Fung, José Luis Merlin, and more. Vieaux's latest CD release is a performance of Jeff Beal's “Six Sixteen” Guitar Concerto with the Norrköping Symphony Orchestra (BIS). He has upcoming releases on Azica and Naxos, and recent recordings include *Infusion* (Azica) with accordionist/bandoneonist Julien Labro; Ginastera's Guitar Sonata, which is featured on *Ginastera: One Hundred* (Oberlin Music) produced by harpist Yolanda Kondonassis; and *Together* (Azica), a duo album with Kondonassis.

In 2012, the Jason Vieaux School of Classical Guitar was launched with ArtistWorks Inc., an interface that provides one-on-one online study with Vieaux for guitar students around the world. In 2011, he co-founded the guitar department at the Curtis Institute of Music, and in 2015 was invited to inaugurate the guitar program at the Eastern Music Festival. Vieaux has taught at the Cleveland Institute of Music since 1997, heading the guitar department since 2001. He has received a Naumburg Foundation top prize, a Cleveland Institute of Music Distinguished Alumni Award, GFA International Guitar Competition First Prize, and a Salon di Virtuosi Career Grant. His primary teachers were Jeremy Sparks and John Holmquist. Vieaux was the first classical musician to be featured on NPR's “Tiny Desk” series. Jason Vieaux plays a 2013 Gernot Wagner guitar with Augustine strings. For more information, visit www.jasonvieaux.com.

Anne Akiko Meyers is one of today's most important violinists, performing as guest soloist with the world's top orchestras, presenting ground-breaking recitals, commissioning and performing new music, and releasing best-selling recordings. Many of Anne's 37 albums have debuted at #1 on Billboard classical charts and she was the top-selling instrumentalist of 2014.

Recently, John Williams personally chose her to perform “Schindler's List” for a television broadcast of *Great Performances* that aired on more than 300 PBS stations throughout America and was personally selected by legendary composer Arvo Pärt, to open his new concert hall at the Arvo Pärt Centre in Estonia.

This summer, Meyers will perform the Barber Concerto with James Gaffigan and the Lucerne Symphony Orchestra at the Ravinia Festival and premiere Adam Schoenberg's Concerto *Orchard in Fog* (a work written for her) at the prestigious Enescu Festival in Romania. In October, she performs the Mendelssohn Violin Concerto in Leipzig at the Gewandhaus and will tour Japan with the MDR Leipzig Orchestra, conducted by Kristjan Järvi.

In the fall of 2018, Anne released her highly acclaimed 37th recording, entitled *Mirror in Mirror* on Avie Records. Her recording of Einojuhani Rautavaara's *Fantasia*, a work written for her, was the only classical instrumental work to be selected on National Public Radio's 100 best songs of 2017.

Meyers commissions and premieres works by many of today's leading composers including Julia Adolphe, Mason Bates, Jakub Ciupinski, John Corigliano, Michael Daugherty, Jennifer Higdon, Samuel Jones, Arturo Marquez, Wynton Marsalis, Arvo Pärt, Einojuhani Rautavaara, and Adam Schoenberg. She has also collaborated with a diverse array of artists outside of traditional classical, including jazz icons Chris Botti and Wynton Marsalis as well as Il Divo and Michael Bolton. She performed the National Anthem in front of 42,000 fans at Safeco Field in Seattle, and has appeared twice on *The Tonight Show* in addition to the *Countdown with Keith Olbermann*, *CBS Sunday Morning*,

CBS' "The Good Wife," NPR's *Morning Edition*, and *All Things Considered*.

Anne Akiko Meyers studied with Alice and Eleonore Schoenfeld at the Colburn School of Performing Arts, Josef Gingold at Indiana University, and Felix Galimir, Masao Kawasaki, and Dorothy DeLay at the Juilliard School. She received the Avery Fisher Career Grant and the Distinguished Alumna Award from the Colburn School of Music. She performs on the Vieuxtemps Guarneri del Gesù, dated 1741, considered by many to be the finest sounding violin in existence. Please visit www.anneakikomeyers.com for more information.

About the Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival

The Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival was founded in 2001 by Christopher Rex, a vacationer on Amelia Island and principal cellist of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, and a group of Fernandina Beach women, who loved chamber music. Now in its 18th season, the Festival has developed into one of the most prestigious events of its kind in the nation and has woven itself into the cultural fabric of northeastern Florida and the surrounding region. Internationally acclaimed artists who have headlined the Festival in recent years include Yo-Yo Ma, Itzhak Perlman, Pinchas Zukerman, Joshua Bell, Chick Corea, Bela Fleck and Chris Thile.

Media Contacts

Maggie Stapleton
Representation for Jason Vieaux
Jensen Artists
646.536.7864 x2
maggie@jensenartists.com

Patricia Price
Representation for Anne Akiko Meyers
8VA Music Consultancy
509.995.5546
patricia@8vamusiconconsultancy.com

###