

"Rossotrudnichestvo" Celebrates its 90-Year Anniversary: Contestants of Tchaikovsky Competition Will Perform in Calcutta

On **October 8, Thursday, at 7 pm** The St Petersburg Music House invites everyone to the "Embassy of Musical Mastery" concert that for the first time will be held in **Kolkata**, India. The **Russian Center of Science and Culture** for the **90th anniversary** of "Rossotrudnichestvo" will give a recital of a brilliant duet of the XV International Tchaikovsky Competition - the laureate of the II<sup>nd</sup> prize **Aleksander Ramm** (cello) and the "Best Accompanist" **Anna Odintsova** (piano). On **October 9** the soloists will give master classes in the Kolkata Music School.

The audience will hear masterpieces of the European musical art. The recital will include virtuoso **Scherzos by Frederic Chopin**, the first of which is considered one of the most difficult works of the composer, and the second one is compared with the Byron poem for its expression. For the 205<sup>th</sup> anniversary of **Robert Schumann** there will be performed his popular "**Colored Leaves**", tender "**Romance**" which the composer dedicated to his wife, and the famous second **Novelette**. The listeners will hear a cello solo in the famous **Suite** by Spaniard **Gaspar Cassado**. The program will also include **Sonata** by Frenchman **Cesar Franck** that he gave as a wedding gift to the virtuoso violinist Eugene Ysaye.

**Anna Odintsova** (25 years old). Born in Moscow. A graduate of the Moscow Conservatory (class by Professor Natalia Trull). A laureate of the IV<sup>th</sup> prize at the International Swedish Duo competition (Sweden, 2012). A winner of the title "The Best Accompanist" of the International P.I. Tchaikovsky Competition (Moscow, 2015). A participant of the programs of the Music House from 2012.

**Aleksander Ramm** (27 years old). Born in Vladivostok. A graduate of the Berlin Eisler Higher School of Music (class by Frans Helmerson). An assistant trainee of the Moscow Conservatory in the class by Professor Natalia Shakhovskaya. A winner of the III<sup>rd</sup> prize of the International Paulo Cello Competition (Finland, 2013). A laureate of the II<sup>nd</sup> prize at the International P.I. Tchaikovsky Competition (Moscow, 2015). A participant of the programs of the Music House from 2011.

**The concert on October 8:  
RCSC in Kolkata**

The concert starts at 7 pm

Free entry

Address: junction of Camac Street and

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**Master classes on October 9  
Kolkata Musical School**

From 11 am to 1 pm

Address: 6B Sunny Park, Calcutta

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"Embassy of Musical Mastery" is a unique project of the St. Petersburg Music House and "Rossotrudnichestvo" established in 2012 that includes visiting sessions of master-classes of the leading musicians in Russia, as well as tours of young soloists in the Russian Centers of Science and Culture in Europe.

*The St. Petersburg Music House is a federal cultural institution established in 2006 in order to prepare Russian young musicians for international competitions and festival. It is located in the Palace of Grand Duke Alexey Romanov on Moika, 122. In 2015/2016 the Music House celebrates its X<sup>th</sup> anniversary season.*

*The Artistic Director is a famous cellist, People's Artist of Russia, Professor Sergey Roldugin.*

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