

From Northern Capital to China. “Embassy of Musical Mastery” concert to take place in Beijing

November 18, Wednesday, 7 pm Saint Petersburg Music House and Rossotrudnichestvo invite listeners to **Russian Cultural Center in Beijing**, where the **Embassy of Musical Mastery** is to arrive again with laureates of international contests **Aleksandr Petrov** (flute) and **Alexander Kashpurin** (piano) due to perform.

A true musical palette awaits the audience on that evening: from romanticists to the 20th century. Melodies from the romanticism epoch will sound: **Withered Flowers** song from **Schubert’s “The Fair Maid of the Mill”** cycle, **Chopin’s Impromptus** and **Scriabin’s Sonatas**. The music of the 20th century will be represented by **Sonata №3 by Prokofiev** “From the Old Notebooks” and popular **aria** for the flute and piano by a Georgian composer **Otar Taktakishvili**. The Russian folk motives will sound in the Variations by **Nikolay Platonov** on the theme of **Red Pinafore Dress**. In honor of **Pyotr Tchaikovsky’s** 175th anniversary, his works will be performed, including **Lensky’s Aria** from the opera **Eugene Onegin** and **Sentimental Waltz**.

Alexander Petrov (age 22). Born in Luga City, Leningrad Oblast. Student of Saint Petersburg Conservatory (class of Distinguished Artist of the RF professor Olga Chernyadyeva). Winner of the Silver Tuning Fork International Competition (2009) and Window to Europe Festival Competition (2010). Participant of the Music House programs since 2012.

Alexander Kashpurin (age 18). Born in Volzhsky city, Volgograd Oblast. Student at Saint Petersburg Conservatory (class of Distinguished Artist of the RF professor Tatyana Zagorovskaya). Winner of the Russia’s Young Talents National Contest (Moscow, 2011), Modern Classics International Contest (Latvia, 2012) and Chopin Golden Ring International Contest (Slovenia, 2013). Participant of the Music House programs since 2013.

Russian Culture Center in Beijing

Concert starts at 7 pm

Free entrance

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Embassy of Mastery is a unique project of Saint Petersburg Music House and Rossotrudnichestvo implemented since 2012 that includes tours of young soloists to Russian Science and Culture Centers in European countries.

Saint Petersburg Music House is a federal culture establishment created in 2006 for the purposes of training Russia’s young musicians for taking part in international contests and festivals occupying the Palace of Grand Duke Alexey Romanov in 122, Moyka. In 2015-2016 the Music House is running its 10th anniversary season.

The artistic director is professor Sergey Roldugin, a famous cellist and People’s Artist of Russia.

Detailed information can be found on the website: www.spdm.ru