

MICHAEL H. LORD GALLERY

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Michael H. Lord Gallery Presents “Brahms Meets Rauschenberg” Free Music and Art in Concert, May 16-17

PALM SPRINGS, CA - “Brahms meets Rauschenberg,” a free concert in celebration of the blending of the art of music, and the music of art, will be held on the weekend of May 16-17 at the Michael H. Lord Gallery, 1090 N. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs.

“Pairing great art with classical music is like pairing fine wine with fine food,” said gallery owner Michael Lord. “This is the first in our series of community events in our wonderful new gallery in Palm Springs.”

“Brahms meets Rauschenberg” features a trio of acclaimed musicians, pianist Martin Perry, clarinetist Neil Rynston, and cellist Larry Lenske performing chamber music of Johannes Brahms and Vincent d’Indy. The two performances are Saturday, May 16, at 5 pm; and Sunday, May 17, at 2 pm. Admission is free. “We see our contribution to the culture of this community as more than just a conventional art gallery.” Lord said. “We plan to have more events like this throughout the year.”

Larry Lenske, a part-time Palm Springs resident, is the former principal cellist for the San Francisco Opera, National Ballet of Canada, Chicago Chamber Orchestra and the Vivaldi Travelling Virtuosi of New York. He and pianist Martin Perry were both educated at New York’s Juilliard School of Music. Clarinetist Neil Rynston, a graduate of Oberlin Conservatory, presides over the New York chamber ensemble Vista Lyrica.

“The Arts are especially relevant these days when they are enjoyed side by side.” said Lenski. “Each gives something to the other, stimulating new involvements. The viewer, audience and performers are the winners as they are challenged to look, hear or perform in a new way or perhaps more carefully than before.”

“For me, it’s all about bringing the Arts experience to life and sharing it with the community.” Lenske said.

The Michael H. Lord Gallery, showcases works of many visual artists, including Robert Rauschenberg, Nicholas Africano, Alexander Calder, Marc Chagall, Carlo D’Alessio, Jan Groover, Jasper Johns, Roy Lichtenstein, Robert Mapplethorpe, Joan Miro, Roger Selden, Frank Stella, Andy Warhol and Michael Weems.

Established in 1978, the Michael H. Lord Gallery recently opened its new location in the Palm Springs Uptown Design District at 1090 North Palm Canyon Drive. Housed in an architecturally-significant building built in 1929 as the garage for the landmark El Mirador Hotel, the 6,000 square foot gallery is the largest in Palm Springs. For more information, please call (760) 699-8957 or visit www.michaelhlordgallery.com.