



**Music from the Western Reserve News**  
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When Margarita Shevchenko made her New York recital debut after receiving first prize in the Cleveland International Piano Competition in 1995, the Times reviewer wrote of her "scrupulous clarity and abundant technique." Cleveland critic Donald Rosenberg has called her "a musician to cherish."

On Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, **Music from the Western Reserve** continues its 7th season at Hudson's Western Reserve Academy with a performance by Margarita Shevchenko.

Ms. Shevchenko studied at the Cleveland Institute of Music, and is a master's degree graduate of Moscow Central Music School, Moscow State Conservatory. The Cleveland International Piano Competition is only one of dozen different piano competitions throughout Europe, Asia, and the US from which Ms. Shevchenko has taken home high honors.

In addition to performances at Severance Hall, Shevchenko has toured extensively, giving performances in the United States, Canada, Europe, Brazil, Japan, Russia, Israel and South Africa. Shevchenko has performed with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra and the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, among others. This season she will perform the concerti of Ravel and Chopin in the United States and Mexico.

Ms. Shevchenko was born in Russia. She began playing piano at the age of 5 years, and gave a public performance with orchestra at age 12. She currently lives in the United States.

For her performance in Western Reserve Academy's chapel, Margarita Shevchenko will perform works of Chopin, Handel, and Scarlatti. \*

The Western Reserve Academy concert by Margarita Shevchenko begins at 5:00pm in the Academy's historic chapel. Tickets are \$15 for adults, and \$5 for students. For further information, contact Western Reserve Academy at 330 650-5887. Concert tickets are also available at The Learned Owl bookstore in Hudson (330 653-2252).

This program is sponsored by Steinway Hall Akron.

Western Reserve Academy's Chapel is located at 115 College St., Hudson OH 44236.

Each year, **Music from the Western Reserve** presents six chamber music performances by significant regional musicians. Most concerts take place in the historic Chapel of Western Reserve Academy. Other programs in the seventh season will feature the Kent Camerata, violinist Hristo Popov, baritone Frederick Reeder, and the Salzedo Harp Duo. Season subscriptions are still available. For information, call 330 650-5887.

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