



MUSIC

SOUNDS OF US



KENNEDY CENTER

November 16

Fortas Chamber Music Concerts artistic director Jennifer Koh (above) curated this all-day festival of music and visual art that asks participants to imagine the country's future for the next 250 years. More than 40 works will premiere, including those by Carlos Simon, Vijay Iyer, and inti figgis-vizueta.



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BERLINER PHILHARMONIKER

KENNEDY CENTER

November 15

Violin star Hilary Hahn joins the august orchestra—which is returning to the Washington area for the first time in 21 years—for a performance of Korngold's violin concerto. The program, conducted by Kirill Petrenko, also includes Rachmaninoff's "Isle of the Dead" and Dvořák's Symphony No. 7.



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ABDULLAH IBRAHIM TRIO

WOLF TRAP

November 13

Ibrahim, the 90-year-old Cape Town jazz pianist who once went by the stage name Dollar Brand, has performed his spirited, spiritual music during a career that has spanned almost eight decades. He's touring behind a vital live trio album, titled 3, which is by turns somber and celebratory.



THEATER

LEOPOLDSTADT

SHAKESPEARE THEATRE COMPANY

November 30–December 29

Tom Stoppard's Tony Award-winning gut punch of a play follows the struggles of a Jewish family in Vienna over the course of 60 years, leading up to the Holocaust and beyond. Director Carey Perloff is bringing the powerful work, produced in association with Boston's Huntington Theatre, to the stage in Washington for the first time.



MUSEUMS

"PICTURES OF BELONGING"



SMITHSONIAN AMERICAN ART MUSEUM

November 15–August 17

An exhibit on Miki Hayakawa (above), Hisako Hibi, and Miné Okubo—Americans of Japanese descent working around World War II—includes remarkable paintings of life in Japanese American internment camps.



THEATER

SUMMER 1976

STUDIO THEATRE

November 13–December 22

Washington stage veterans Holly Twyford and Kate Eastwood Norris star in David Auburn's period piece set in a 1970s college town where a freewheeling artist and a conservative woman are required to deal with each other thanks to their daughters' friendship.

PHOTOGRAPH OF KOH BY JURGEN FRANK; BERLINER PHILHARMONIKER BY STEPHAN RABOLD; LEOPOLDSTADT BY LEZA YOLL; IBRAHIM BY PETER RAUCH; "FROM MY WINDOW," BY MIKI HAYAKAWA, COURTESY OF SANDRA AND BRAM DUKSTRA, ON LOAN AT THE HUNTINGTON LIBRARY, ART MUSEUM, AND BOTANICAL GARDENS