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### **Two world renowned musicians perform together in Brookline chamber concert**

On Sunday, Dec.14, at 6:30 p.m, two classical music greats will share the stage at St. Paul's Church in Brookline. Brought together by the Chamber Music Foundation of New England (CMFoNE), international award winning cellist, Leslie Parnas and noted performer and professor of music, violinist, Yuri Mazurkevich, join together with pianist, Tanya Kodinsky in a performance of Beethoven's Trio in B flat Major, "Archduke."

Parnas, who counts among his teachers and mentors, legendary cellists, Gregor Piatigorsky and Pablo Casals, has enjoyed a worldwide reputation as a winner of some of the most prestigious classical music events, including the Geneva; Munich, and Tchaikovsky competitions. Considered a highly respected performer for his skill and artistry, Casals referred to Parnas as, "One of the outstanding and accomplished cellists of our time, "and his reputation as a superb soloist has placed him with such symphonies as: the Boston; Philadelphia; Moscow and the New York Philharmonic, and performances for two United States Presidents: Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan.

Moscow Conservatory trained violinist, Yuri Mazurkevich, considered a musical teaching legend, was himself a student of one of the finest violinists of the 20th century, David Oistrakh. Mazurkevich has concertized in more than 35 countries throughout Russia, Europe, Asia, and North and South America and he is a past winner of the Helsinki, Munich, and Montreal International Competitions. In 1969, he was named "Outstanding Artist of the Ukraine."

Another highlight of the evening will be the performance of Robert Schumann's "Lieder" by mezzo-soprano, Olga Bykhovsky, and in keeping with one of CMFoNE's primary goals – providing young and amateur musicians an opportunity to accelerate artistic growth and excel in musical skills by collaborating with professional musicians in chamber music ensembles, a First Prize Winner of the 2008 International Chamber Music Ensemble Competition, violist, Amanda Wang, will perform Zoltan Kodaly's Serenade for Two Violins and Viola, Op. 12 together with Lilia Muchnik and Anna Korsunsky.

A Wine and Hors d' Oeuvres Reception will follow the concert at the St. Paul Church, 15 St. Paul Street, Brookline, MA 02446, Telephone 617-566-4953 for directions.

Ticket prices are Adults - \$25- ,Students and Seniors \$18- For Tickets and information call 617-464-8204 or 508-801-3373 Fax 425-696-3949 [www.cmfone.org](http://www.cmfone.org)

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