

## Violinist Texon opens Filipino Artist Series

The 20th season of the Filipino Artists Series opens with Berlin-based violinist Justin Texon on July 26, 7:30 p.m. at the CCP Tanghalang Aurelio Tolentino (Little Theater).

Texon earned his bachelor of music degree in violin at the St. Scholastica's College, Manila and his master of music degree in violin at the Hanns Eisler Conservatory of Music in Berlin under prof. Christoph Poppen -conductor of the Munich Chamber Orchestra - and Eva Schonweiss, principal violinist of the German Symphony Orchestra.

He was a member of the Asian Youth Orchestra, World Youth Orchestra, Berlin Chamber Orchestra, Potsdam Chamber Orchestra, and German Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, among others.

He was the assistant concertmaster at the Neukoln Open Berlin for the production of "Carmen" from Bizet under Friedrich Suckel and Frank Markowitsch.

Program includes: J.S. Bach's Partita Nr. 3 E-dur BWV 1006 for solo violin, W. Amadeus Mozart's Violin Sonata No. 18 KIV 301 in G dur, Conrado del Rosario's Harana III for violin and piano, Henri Weiniawski's Polonaise Concert in D for violin and piano, and Johannes Brahms' Sonate fur Violine und Klavier Nr. 1 G-dur op. 78.

Texon will also perform "Pamulinawen" for violin and piano, arranged by Gilopez Kabayao.

The concert will also feature Berlinbased collaborating pianist Karen Francisco.

Tickets are available at Ticketworld outlets and CCP Box Office.



**JUSTIN TEXON, violinist.**

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## 'Quadrille' piano concert

Ang Arko ng Pilipinas, Inc. and Equitable PCI Bank, together with MCO Foundation and 98.7 DZFE, present a fund-raising concert, dubbed "Quadrille," a duo piano concert on Aug. 11, 7:30 p.m., at the Francisco Santiago Hall, Equitable PCI Bank Tower, Makati.

"Quadrille" is an ensemble concert featuring well-known pianists Mary Ann Rivas Armovit, Della Gambia Besa, Anamaria de Guzman

and Raul Sunico.

Mary Ann, Della and Anamaria have been playing together since the mid-70s. Their friend Raul has won various international competitions. The ensemble's repertoire will include classical and Philippine music.

Mary Ann Rivas Armovit is a bachelor of music graduate of St. Scholastica's College. Her duo piano career began when she performed at the school's St. Cecilia's concert with Della Besa.

Together, they became the French government grantees to study piano ensemble with Genevieve Joy of Paris Conservatory.

Anamaria Gregorio de Guzman earned her bachelor of music degree major in piano and minor in composition from St. Scholastica's College.

An active civic worker as the first Filipina full-pledged Jaycee, she has taken on numerous fundraising concerts together with partners for a variety of charitable causes, performing both locally and in the US.

Raul Sunico graduated from the University of the Philippines with degrees in music, and mathematics and statistics. He went on to a master of music degree from Julliard School and doctorate from New York University.