



Piano Recital

by

Jonathan Floril

Saturday, February 7, 2009
at 7:30 PM

**Ludwig Recital Hall, Hugh A. Glauser School of Music,
Kent State University; for tickets call 330-633-5679**

Jonathan was born in 1989, in Quito, Ecuador. At 11, moved to Spain and earned his precollege at *Rodolfo Halffter Conservatory* with Mateo Lorente. Floril continues his piano studies in New York as the recipient of the *Harold and Helen Schonberg Pianist Scholarship* at Manhattan School of Music. Having previously studied with Solomon Mikowsky, Floril pursues his Bachelors with the head of the piano department, Marc Silverman, a student of Abram Chasins (Josef Hofmann's pupil). While in New York, Floril has also performed at Master Classes for Paul Badura-Skoda, Alexander Braginsky, Ann Schein, Jacques Rouvier and Karl-Heinz Kämmerling.

In 2008, Floril was awarded First Prize and the Jan Gorbaty Memorial Prize -- for the best performance of Chopin's works -- at the 59th *Kosciuszko Foundation Chopin Piano Competition* in New York City, as well as being awarded the Bronze Medal at the 2008 *Gina Bachauer Young Artists International Piano Competition*. Previously, Floril was also awarded over 20 top prizes at National (Spain) and International Piano Competitions, including First Prizes at *XI Ricard Viñes, V Ciudad de Huesca, VII Pedro Bote (Best performance of Spanish Music), VI YAMAHA Intercentros (Madrid), XVIII Jacinto Guerrero (Toledo)*; Second Prizes at *XVII Ciutat de Carlet (2008) (Senior Category), XIII and XIV Infanta Cristina (Madrid)* and the *Mieczyslaw Munz Piano Competition (New York, 2007)*. In 2007, his acclaimed recital at the *Palau de les Arts Reina Sofía*, where the musical director is Maestro Lorin Maazel, was described by critics as "*more than a prodigy, not only because of what he performs, but also how he performs*" (*Levante*); which was shortly followed by his orchestral debut on Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1 under the baton of Maestro Pierino Gamba.

At February 7, 2009 Recital, Jonathan will perform pieces by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin and Scriabin.

Driving directions are available at:
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