

# PRO-MOZART SOCIETY

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PROMOTE

PRO-MOZART!

# Amadeus

## Pro-Mozart kicks off the season with "Concert on the Green"

Bring a blanket, your favorite picnic, and an ear for music! Pro-Mozart Society commences its 2002-2003 season with its annual Members and Friends concert at the Jimmy Carter Library on the Green, Sunday, September 22, 2002 at 5:00 p.m. In this idyllic setting, you will hear classical piano solos, classical guitar gems, vocal selections from operetta, opera, and the American musical, and Mozart's genius performed on the violin. Works by Serge Prokofiev, Claude Debussy, Frédéric Chopin, Eric Satie, John Dowland, Giacomo Puccini, Franz Lehár and others will fill the air with music.



Michael Heald

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### Editor's

## Notes of Interest

Peter Stefanovits and Elizabeth Milton were married in Salzburg, Austria in July. We give them our heartiest congratulations! Ed White, composer, bassoonist, and assistant conductor of the Callanwolde Concert Band, will have his composition *Clouds* performed by the Concert Band, with Mary Ann Hill, soprano as featured soloist. Ms. Hill will also be singing Gershwin's *Summertime* and Dvorak's beautiful *Rusalka's Song to the Moon*. The concert is on **October 20, 2002**, at the Callanwolde Arts Center, 980 Briarcliff Road, at 3p.m.. The concert is open to the public. Peter Fletcher, guitarist, will be performing **October 13, 2002**, 4p.m. at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 515 E. Ponce de Leon Avenue. Decatur. 404.377.2622. Also, Peter has released a **new CD** of music by Frederico Mompou, on Centaur Records, available at Tower Records and Borders.

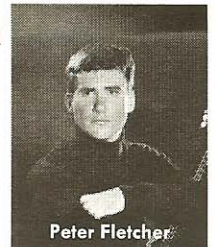
Should you have some exciting news to share with Pro-Mozart, call Mary Ann Hill at (770) 772-4185, or e-mail her at [sopranhill@aol.com](mailto:sopranhill@aol.com). The Editor's Notes of Interest will keep the membership informed.



Mary Ann Hill

Member performers include Peter Fletcher, guitar, Charles (Corky) Chocallo, young pianist, Mary Ann Hill, soprano, and Bill Cromwell, pianist. Invited as Pro-Mozart's Friends, are Michael Heald, violinist, and Liana Embovica-Rivkin, collaborative pianist. Music on the Green will be held outdoors in a garden setting, weather permitting. If inclement weather, the concert will be held in the large and lofty lobby of the Carter Library.

This concert is a favorite of the Society, and this year we are able to present it in our favorite outdoor setting. Please come and enjoy a wonderful time!



Peter Fletcher

### SOMEONE ELSE'S THOUGHTS ON MOZART

*From a letter to Leopold Mozart, Wolfgang' Amadeus's father, from Friedrich Melchior von Grimm dated July 27th, 1778:*

*"He is too trusting, too inactive, too easy to catch, too little concerned about the means which could lead to fortune. In order to get on here it is best to be artful, bold, and enterprising; for his own good I wish he had half his talent and twice his acumen, then I would not worry about him."*

## The President's Corner by Kitty Anderson

This year promises to be an exciting one for Pro-Mozart. Although it is still in the 80s and summer is nearly over, it's time to see what will be happening in our great city.

Our first concert will be our Annual Members and Friends Concert, "Music on the Green." We are very



fortunate to again be able to hold this concert on the delightful grounds of the Jimmy Carter Library where some concerts were held in previous years. This is a beautiful venue and many members had expressed a desire to go back there again. We express our grateful thanks to the new director.

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**The President's Corner***(continued from page 1)*

We will be holding concerts on October 27th, and November 24th, so be sure to save those dates on your calendar. Full information concerning the artists and concert locations will be published in the next *Amadeus*.

Plans are underway for our Gala Noël, our major fundraiser of the season by which funds are raised to send a scholarship winner to the Mozarteum Institute in Salzburg, Austria. This event will be held in a beautiful new home off West Paces Ferry Road on Saturday, December 14th. Invitations will be sent out in November. Please e-mail or call Ed White with the names of any non-members who you would like to receive an invitation.

All this activity means that we need lots of volunteers to assist the various Committee Heads. *Please get involved.* The more you become involved, the more you will derive from your membership in Pro-Mozart. Be sure to attend the concerts and bring your friends. Our concert series has some outstanding performers and we need to increase the attendance. We believe we have the finest small musical organization in Atlanta. We have instituted a Marketing Committee to help increase our membership and concert attendance. I would love to hear from any of you with ideas that we could implement this year to further this end. Please call me at (404) 325-1229 with your thoughts and suggestions however far out or bizarre! Let's make Pro-Mozart not only the finest, but the best-known musical society in Atlanta!

—Kitty Anderson  
President



## CALENDAR OF UP-COMING EVENTS

**Sunday, September 22, 2002, 5:00 p.m.**, Jimmy Carter Library, Presidential Parkway, Atlanta  
**Members and Friends Concert - "On the Green."** Directions: Look for the circle of flags. We're on the lawn! Bring a picnic, a chair or blanket, and enjoy music in this beautiful setting on a lovely Sunday evening. We will move inside to the lobby if the weather is inclement.

**Sunday, October 13, 2002, 5:00 p.m.**

**Members Party.** Held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Wilkes Davis, Jr., 2887 Knob Hill Drive, Atlanta, in Vinings. Please bring a prospective list of members and have a delightful afternoon with musical entertainment.

**Sunday, October 27th, 2002.** Concert to be announced.

**Sunday, November 24th, 2002. 5:00 p.m.**

**Concert by the Merlin Trio.** Kellett Chapel, Peachtree Presbyterian Church, 3434 Roswell Road, Atlanta (Buckhead).

**Saturday, December 14, 2002, 7:30-10:30 p.m.**

**Pro-Mozart Annual Holiday Gala.** This is a fund-raiser for our annual scholarship fund. It will be held in a beautiful new home at 3220 West Paces Park Drive off West Paces Ferry Road, Atlanta. Featured will be music, a silent auction, holiday buffet, and a traditional "sing-along." Bring lots of guests!

**January 2003 - Mozart's Birthday Party!** A special event for our Patrons. Invitations will be mailed in December.

**February 2003 - Scholarship Competition.** Date to be announced.

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## Majoring on



# MOZART

by Lance G. Hill

In my musical travels of doing concert piano tuning and preparation, and in interviewing and preparing radio broadcasts, I am constantly involved with a wide array of musical people of all ages. Often the conversation turns to great composers, which always includes Mozart. It is amazing to me how people generally perceive Mozart in their minds, especially the younger folk. Often it is as if Mozart was portrayed in the entertaining—but far-fetched—film entitled *Amadeus*. We know from reading biographies and studies of Mozart that ... he was certainly different! But I seriously doubt that the composer was as overwhelmingly as “silly” as he was portrayed in *Amadeus*.

It is also well known that Mozart was a great concern to, especially, his father. In his own travels, even at an early age, Mozart was a great concern to many people because of his personality traits - or lack of, perhaps, some of the better ones! On the cover of this newsletter is a quote by one of Mozart's guardians, which gives us some insight into the composer's personality characteristics. Through it all, however, Mozart was adored by his sister, Nannerl, and his parents, and of course, he was adored (with great frustration) by his wife.

If you have ever read some of the letters written by Mozart, you know that he often signed his name with words that would raise a brow or two. But he didn't care. Mozart was his own man. He wrote some of the greatest religious and inspirational music one could hear ... what an enigma! Still, in his personal life Mozart's inner humor emerged larger than life. Day-to-day living was rarely easy for Mozart. Nissen's biography includes the composer's sister-in-law's appraisal: "(Mozart) was always good-humored, but even in the best of moods he was still pensive. He would look you keenly in the eye and give a thoughtful answer to anything you said, whether serious or lighthearted, yet he always seemed to be deeply preoccupied with something quite different ... his hands and feet were in constant motion; he was always fingering something or other—his hat, pockets, watch-chain, tables, chairs—as if he were playing on a keyboard."

You might ask "why write this little article.?" Well, I guess it is only to say that great genius comes in all kinds and styles of packages. Perhaps the lesson is to be far less critical of our fellow man for we never know what genius may be in our very presence! ♪

## Special Notice! MEMBERS' PARTY IN OCTOBER Mark your calendars!

*The Annual Pro-Mozart Society*

*Members' Party*

*will be held on*

*Sunday, October 13th, 2002*

*5:00 p.m.*

*at the home of*

*Dr. and Mrs. Wilkes Davis, Jr.*

*2887 Knob Hill Drive, NW*

*Atlanta, Georgia 30339 (Vinings)*



*The Volanté Winds will perform Mozart, plus!*

*This is an opportunity to renew  
your membership and invite others to join.*

*A prize will be awarded for the best outfit,  
one for a woman and one for a man.*

*So, get creative and get in the mood  
for Pro-Mozart!*

*Any questions, please call*

*Ed White at (404) 636-0372*

# Reminder!



## **"CONCERT ON THE GREEN"**

**Members and Friends of Pro-Mozart in concert**

**Jimmy Carter Library - 5:00 p.m.**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2002**



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