

## VISIT THE SERVAIS WEBSITE!

#### Through the web site

© Servais Society Servais, 2022

Contact:

e-mail



# Newsletter Servais Society n° 69 - October 2022

COMING SOON: 28TH SERVAIS CONCERT WITH HAYOUNG CHOI, WINNER OF THE QUEEN ELISABETH CELLO COMPETITION (27-11-2022)

The Korean cellist **Hayoung Choi** won the prestigious Queen Elisabeth Competition in June 2022, thus becoming one of the best young cello talents in the world. She studied with Alexander Boyarsky in England and from 2014 at the Kronberg Academy, first with Frans Helmerson and from 2017 with Wolfgang Emanuel Schmidt. Hayoung has a number of other competitions to her name and performs all over Europe and Asia.

The Norwegian pianist Joachim Carr has also won several international competitions. He

Baltic States.

In Halle they will perform works by Felix Mendelssohn, François Servais and Sergei Rachmaninov. An unmissable tribute to 'Paganini of the cello' François Servais in his hometown!



Sunday, November 27, 2022, 7.30 p.m.

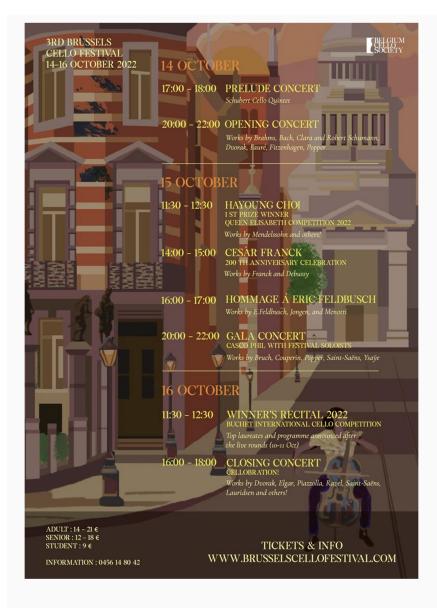
CC 't Vondel, Possozplein 40, 1500 Halle

€ 22 per person (group and members Servais Society: € 20)

Reservations via www.vondel.be - 02 365 98 27

### COMING SOON: BRUSSELS CELLO FESTIVAL (14-16 OCTOBER)

From 12 to 16 October 2022 the third edition of the Brussels Cello Festival will take place. It comprises a series of masterclasses and also eight concerts with cello talent from Belgium and abroad. You can find the whole program on <a href="https://www.brusselscellofestival.com">www.brusselscellofestival.com</a>.



### COMING SOON: CELLO BIENNALE AMSTERDAM (20-29 OCTOBER)

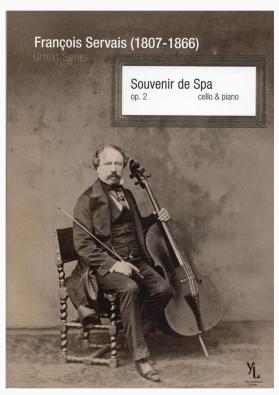
The Cello Biennale Amsterdam is a ten-day international music festival focusing on everything cello-related. With over a hundred events taking place the Cello Biennale is the place-to-be and a source of inspiration for cellists and music lovers from around the world.

You can find the whole program on www.cellobiennale.nl.

The Servais Society will be present with a stand from 21 to 29 October!



#### **NEW SERVAIS URTEXT EDITIONS**

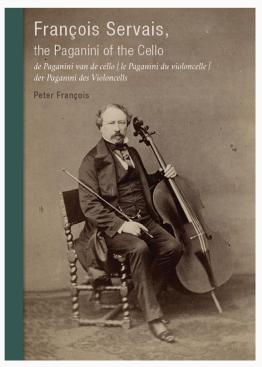


Since recently five additional editions in the Urtext series of Servais' music are available:

- Souvenir de Spa, opus 2 (cello & piano)
- Fantaisie sur le Désir, opus 4 (cello & quintet)
- Concerto en si mineur, opus 5 (cello & piano)
- Fantaisie Burlesque ou le Carnaval de Venise, opus 9 (cello & piano; cello & quintet)

These new editions are for sale only at the Servais Society. More information through the website.

# NEW: BROCHURE 'FRANCOIS SERVAIS, THE PAGANINI OF THE CELLO'



The brochure 'François Servais, the Paganini of the Cello' by Peter François presents Servais as a cellist, composer, travelling virtuoso, teacher and citizen of Halle.

The brochure has 40 pages of richly illustrated texts, in four languages. It's on sale during the activities of the Servais Society and it can also be ordered through the Servais Society (10 euros + shipping).

## LOOKING BACK: EXPOSITION 'FRANCOIS SERVAIS, THE PAGANINI OF THE CELLO' (9-21 MAY)



During the first round and the semi finals of the Queen Elisabeth Cello Competition in the Flagey building the Servais Society organized an exposition to show Servais in all his aspects: as a cellist, composer, travelling virtuoso, cello teacher and citizen of Halle.



In twelve days time the exposition received more than 1500 visitors, among whom six members of the jury of the prestigious competition: Roel Dieltiens, Marie Hallynck, Frans Helmerson, Anne Gastinel, Anssi Karttunen and Jian Wang. Five of them evaluated the recordings of the Servais Etude which each candidate had to send in to be allowed to the competition.

### LOOKING BACK: HOMAGE TO SERVAIS AND ELISA DE TRY IN LILLE (5-6 JUNE)



Over the course of his career Servais gave a few successful concerts in Lille, the French city where Elisa De Try, one of Servais' students, lived for more than 40 years.

The Concert society 'Chambre à Part' honoured both cellists with a homage concert in

on 9 June 1922, exactly one century ago.

cooperation with the Servais Society on 5
June 2022 in the Lille Conservatory.
The day after a ceremony took place on the
Lille churchyard at the foot of the majestic
grave stone of Elisa De Try. She was one of
the first women who made a career as a
professional cellist. She gave concerts in
Belgium, France, Holland, Spain, Portugal and
even New York, always playing pieces by
Servais, her former teacher. She died in Lille

## LOOKING BACK: PERFORMANCE MISIA 150 YEAR (6 JUNE)





Misia Godebska was the granddaughter of François Servais. As a child she had lived in the Villa Servais. Later on she became the muse of many great artists in Paris, such as Renoir, Toulouse-Lautrec, Diaghilev, Picasso, Cocteau and Proust. She was Coco Chanel's bosom friend and inspired a lot of composers and poets.

On 6 June 2022 - Servais' 215th anniversary - we toasted on Servais' and Misia's birthday. Afterwards the public (150 people) attended the musical performance 'Misia' by radio maker Katharina Smets and the Revue Blanche ensemble in the cultural centre 't Vondel.

#### **AGENDA**

12-16.10.2022 - Brussels Cello Festival

More info.

20-29.10.2022 - Amsterdamse Cello Biënnale

More info.

### 23-25.11.2022 - Vox Veroni in Villa Servais

The choir Vox Veroni will perform in Villa Servais on November 23, 24 and 25, 2022, at 8 p.m. each time. The singers perform work by Rossini, Schumann, Meyerbeer, Schubert and François Servais, among others. More info.

#### 27.11.2022 - 28th Servais Concert

With Hayoung Choi, winner of the Queen Elisabeth Competition for Cello, and Joachim Carr, in CC 't Vondel Halle.

#### 03.06.2023 - 29th Servais Concert

With the duo Fortecello - Anna Mikulska, cello & Philippe Argenty, piano, in the Halle New Town Hall.



**VISIT THE SERVAIS WEBSITE!** 

Through the web site

© Servais Society Servais, 2022

Contact: e-mail