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Wilton Library's Connecticut's Own Concert Series features piano virtuoso on Sunday, Nov. 9

Wilton, CT – Wilton Library's Connecticut's Own Concert Series features pianist Igor Lovchinsky as the second performer in the series on Sunday, Nov. 9, from 4 – 5:15 p.m. in the Brubeck Room. Although only recently graduated from the Julliard School of Music, Lovchinsky has already been acclaimed by the press for his mesmerizing and fiery” performances and hailed for his “profoundly communicative” and “wonderfully poignant” music-making. His notable engagements have included performances at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., Carnegie Hall in New York City, the Bushnell Center in Hartford, CT, the Eastman Theater in Rochester, NY and the Chopin Memorial at Lazienki Park in Warsaw, Poland. Most recently, Lovchinsky released his debut album on the Ivory Classics label. The record features music by Chopin, Scriabin and Gershwin/Wild. Sunday's performance will include selections from Sweelinck, Liszt, Chopin and Gershwin.

As concerto soloist, Mr. Lovchinsky has performed with the Columbus Symphony Orchestra (OH), the “Live Music Project” Ensemble (Quick Centre in Fairfield, CT) and the Florida International University Symphony Orchestra. In addition, his performance of Chopin's First Concerto with the Connecticut Virtuosi Chamber Orchestra was broadcast on WQXR radio in New York and was featured as the soundtrack of the independent film "Romance Larghetto" by director Pablo Goldbarg. Lovchinsky has been named the Grand-Prize winner of the Eastman International Piano Competition, the National Chopin Competition of the Kosciuszko Foundation, the Mieczyslaw Munz Piano Competition, and the Niagara International Piano Competition.

Born in Kazan, Russia in 1984, Lovchinsky began his studies at the Kazan Special Music School for Gifted Children. He immigrated to the United States in 1994, after which he studied

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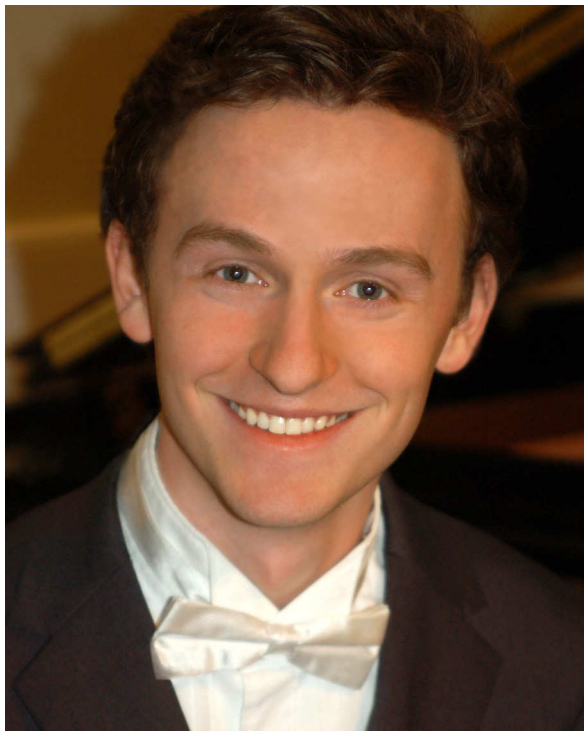
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with Nina Polonsky and Steven Glaser. He entered the Juilliard School on full scholarship in the fall of 2003 and began his studies in the class of the renowned pianist Jerome Lowenthal. He holds a Bachelor's degree from the Juilliard School and is now in the graduate program at the New England Conservatory in Boston.

The Connecticut's Own Concert Series is free of charge. Advance registration is strongly recommended due to the popularity of the series. Pre-registrants must arrive by 3:50 pm to be guaranteed seating. After 3:50 pm, and if space is available, waitlisted and walk-in registrants will be admitted. To register for this performance, visit www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call (203) 762-3950. Wilton Library is located at 137 Old Ridgefield Road in the heart of Wilton Center. Additional Connecticut's Own concert dates are February 1, 2009 with Laurel Double Reed Ensemble, March 1, 2009 with Rex Cadwallader and May 3, 2009 with the return of the Amore Trio.

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Caption: Piano virtuoso Igor Lovchinsky performs at Wilton Library's Connecticut's Own Concert Series on Sunday, Nov. 9, from 4 – 5:15 p.m. in the Brubeck Room. The program is free. Advance reservations are recommended. Wilton Library is located at 137 Old Ridgefield Road in the heart of Wilton Center. For information, reservations and directions, visit www.wiltonlibrary.org or call (203) 762-3950.