

PRESS RELEASE

CELLO RECITAL
MISCHA MAISKY
In Bach's Cello Suites

Sunday 27 September 2020
The Shoe Factory, Nicosia / 8.30pm

A genius, a legend in the field of cello, the incredible Mischa Maisky makes his Cyprus debut, opening the Pharos Arts Foundation's Fall 2020 season in a unique recital. Maisky is unanimously recognized as one of the greatest musicians of our times. He made his debut in 1965 with the Leningrad Philharmonic, and immediately after, he was nicknamed "Rostropovich of the Future" – and justly so, since his great teacher, Mstislav Rostropovich, recognised in the face of his student, a worthy successor, lauding him as: "One of the most outstanding talents of the younger generation of cellists. His playing combines poetry and exquisite delicacy with great temperament and brilliant technique." For his recital in Nicosia, on Sunday 27 September 2020, at The Shoe Factory / 8:30pm, Mischa Maisky will present a programme of Bach's Suites for solo cello.

MISCHA MAISKY cello

Recognised as one of the most important musicians of our times, Mischa Maisky has the distinction of being the only cellist in history to have studied with both Mstislav Rostropovich and Gregor Piatigorsky. Rostropovich has lauded Mischa Maisky as: "One of the most outstanding talents of the younger generation of cellists. His playing combines poetry and exquisite delicacy with great temperament and brilliant technique."

Born in Latvia, educated in Russia, after his repatriation to Israel, Mischa Maisky has been enthusiastically received in London, Paris, Berlin, Vienna, New York and Tokyo, along with the rest of the major music centres. He considers himself as a citizen of the world: "I'm playing an Italian cello, with French and German bows, Austrian and German strings, my 6 children were born in 4 different countries, my second wife is half Sri Lankan – half Italian, I'm driving a Japanese car, wear a Swiss watch and I feel at home everywhere where people appreciate and enjoy classical music."

As an exclusive Deutsche Grammophon artist for more than 30 years, he made well over 35 recordings with such orchestras as the Berlin Philharmonic, Vienna Philharmonic, Israel Philharmonic, London Symphony, Orchestre de Paris, Orpheus Chamber Orchestra and Chamber Orchestra of Europe, amongst others. His latest solo recording "20th century classics" released in September 2019 was recorded with his pianist daughter Lily and features works by composers such as Britten, Bartok, Shostakovich and Messiaen. Maisky's recordings have enjoyed world-wide critical acclaim and have been awarded five times the prestigious Record Academy Prize in Tokyo, three times Echo German Record Award, Grand Prix du Disque in Paris and Diapason d'Or of the Year as well as the coveted Grammy nominations.

One of the highlights in his career was the year 2000 – it was mainly devoted to a world-wide Bach tour which included over 100 concerts! In order to express his deep admiration for this great composer, Mischa Maisky has recorded Bach's Solo Suites three times.

Truly a world-class musician and regular guest in most major international festivals, he collaborated with such conductors as Leonard Bernstein, Carlo Maria Giulini, Lorin Maazel, Zubin Mehta, Riccardo Muti, Giuseppe Sinopoli, Vladimir Ashkenazy, Daniel Barenboim, James Levine, Charles Dutoit, Yuri Temirkanov, Mariss Jansons, Valery Gergiev and Gustavo Dudamel and his partnerships have included artists as Martha Argerich, Radu Lupu, Itzhak Perlman, Evgeny Kissin, Peter Serkin, Gidon Kremer, Yuri Bashmet, Vadim Repin, Maxim Vengerov, Joshua Bell, Julian Rachlin and Janine Jansen to name just a few.

Due to Covid-19 regulations, there is a limited amount of seats available, and the audience is advised to purchase their tickets in advance through the Pharos Arts Foundation's box office.

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Tickets: €15 / €10 Concessions & members of the Pharos Arts Foundation

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SUNDAY 27 September 2020
@ THE SHOE FACTORY
NICOSIA / 8:30pm

Information & Box Office:

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