

Polish concert pianist to perform tonight

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Some concert pianists are made, not born. Sergei Edelmann, 20-years young, just might have a little bit of both in him.

Tuesday night's performance at the Performing Arts Coliseum will give Pullman area residents a chance to see and hear the Wunderkind Edelmann for the first time.

Edelmann is your consummate artist. He has played since he was four, averaging six hours of practice a day along the way.

From the age of 10 to 17, he played in almost 50 concert halls in the Soviet Union.

He had a little help. Both his parents play the piano, and even now, his father still tutors him. He was never forced to play the piano. He always wanted to. And despite his long practice sessions, he never becomes bored. Nor does his hands ever get tired or sore. He is now being tutored by his father to become a teacher for music students.

Edelmann was born in Lvov, a city located in the western Ukraine. It is about 50 miles east of Poland. In fact, it was Poland before World War II.

For the past two years, he has lived with his family in New York City. His parents decided to emigrate from Russia. One reason was because

they were Jewish.

"In Russia, there are so many reasons to want to leave," Edelmann said. "One is that you can never tell the truth, or, what you really want to say without fear of being punished."

"Of course, there is censorship, but it is not as bad in music as in other arts. For instance, you cannot play religious music by Bach in public."

He does not have a favorite composer. "There are so many who are great. Beethoven, Schubert, Schumann, Chopin and Brahms."

Besides practicing, Edelmann tries to learn as much about the composers he plays as possible. By reading about their time period, as well as listening to the composers' works, he develops an appreciation for art which helps motivate him when he plays.

Edelmann's virtuoso is technically perfect. He does castigate himself when he performs composers works not as well as he would like. His standards are very high. All the songs performed on Tuesday night are memorized. He uses no sheet music.

"I hope the audience listens with me, not to me, so they may appreciate the music more. I do hope I come out of the piece enough, so people will recognize that I am the one who is playing," Edelmann said.

ASWSU votes down three constitutional bill changes

ASWSU Thursday voted down three bills on constitutional changes in a delayed weekly meeting.

One bill introduced by Andy McKinlay and Stan Uchida asked for a change in the number of assembly members from 18 to 24 to decrease the number of students represented by each member.

The bill failed because other members said an increased number in the assembly would not decrease student apathy and it would be more difficult to organize the assembly.

A committee was formed to look at the bill to see if other changes could be made to decrease student apathy.

Malcolm Epherson proposed giving new assembly members ex-officio status to make them feel more welcome at the meetings.

Other assembly members said efforts would be made to include new members with a resolution, not a constitutional change, so the bill was voted down.

The last bill introduced by Rick Norris asked for the budget coordinator and administrative positions to be taken out of the constitution.

It would allow for greater executive flexibility on how many people to hire, how many hours they could work each week and how much they will be paid.

Assembly members voted against the bill because they said the positions should stay non-flexible.

In other business, members voted on fees for groups or individuals wanting to use the North/South Ski Bowl lodge for retreat purposes.

Calendar

HUNGER TASK FORCE meets today at noon in the Koinonia House.

THE NESTLE BOYCOTT, Liz Bell of the Women's Center will lead discussion after two films today at noon in CUB B27.

THE YWCA CABINET meets today at 2 in CUB B27.

ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN STUDENTS meet today at 5:15 in CUB B27 to discuss elections. All senators must attend.

ALBUM SHOWCASE tonight at 6 on KUGR-FM 95 features new albums from Santana, Judas Priest, Greg Kihn and the Producers.

SIGMA PHI EPSILON LITTLE SISTERS meet tonight at 6 at the house to discuss plans for after spring break.

INTERCOLLEGIATE KNIGHTS meet tonight at 6:15 in CUB 220.

GAY PEOPLES' ALLIANCE MENS' GROUP will discuss self awareness tonight at 7 in CUB 224.

FENCING CLUB meets tonight at 7 in Smith Gym 21; private instruction available in foil, epee, and sabre.

SCIENCE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES-Pre-Vet Group meets tonight at 7 in CUB B5 to see the film "The Phenomenon of Human Companion Animal Bond."

THE YWCA RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE meets tonight at 7 in CUB B27. Anyone interested is welcome.

PULLMAN FOOD CO-OP meets tonight at 7:30 in the Lincoln Mutual Savings Bank for a bimonthly business meeting. Anyone interested is welcome.

LEO KOTKE is the featured artist tonight on Austin City Limits, simulcast at 10 on KWSU-TV and KZUU-FM, 90.7 106.5.

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For biofuels to be competitive

with other potential alternative liquid energy sources such as tarshalle reserves and coal, Meyer said a process must be developed which converts the whole biomass plant to liquid energy in an energy-efficient manner in reasonable yields.

The process should also be capable of processing several types of crops, including wood, if enough volume of biofuel is to be developed to make a significant impact on our energy needs, he said.

The crop producer must also be paid a price which permits him to make a profit for his crop, Meyer said.

Businessmen appointed

Two prominent Spokane men have been appointed by University President Glenn Terrell to four-year terms on the College of Engineering Advisory Board.

Appointed were Ned Barnholt, manager of the Spokane Division of Hewlett-Packard and James R. Harvey, vice president of operations at The Washington Water Power Company.

The advisory board is made up of industrial and governmental representatives from throughout the United States who meet twice a year to review the college's programs.

Also, the board advises faculty regarding the scope and type of services provided to students and businesses around the state.

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