

Rudolf Koelman - 'In the spirit of Heifetz' Tour



On **December 10th, 2012** it will be 25 years ago that **the great Jascha Heifetz** passed away. One of his last students, violinist **Rudolf Koelman**, wishes to pay a special tribute to remember this great musician and will be touring in Asia and Australia.

Rudolf Koelman is former 1st concertmaster of the Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra; Professor of violin at the Zurich University of the Arts (ZHdK); winner of the Edison Award 2010 and a frequently worldwide invited soloist. During this tour the favorites of the Master will resound. Masterclasses and workshops will be added to most of the concerts (tour dates are marked below).

We've been asking Rudolf Koelman why he wants to do this tour.

"To me it is a tribute to a great Master. Heifetz was a very dedicated teacher, twice a week lessons, once a month chamber music day; he would always go for: *What do you want to express with the music?* Technique was secondary but if you had some problems he would show you 3 different ways to solve it instantly!"

Why was Heifetz such a great teacher?

"He always would grab his violin at certain moments and show me in a few notes a whole story, incredible poetic sound and musicality. He was and unequaled, genius, magic violinist; from another world!"

'No strings attached'

Koelman's most memorable moment:

"He must have heard from some one I had money troubles. One day he called me after the lesson in his office (I thought I was kicked out of the class!), surprisingly he gave me some money. "*No strings attached,*" he said, I replied: what does that mean? He said: when people give you something they often expect something back in return.....I don't...."

More info and interview requests

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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jascha_Heifetz

Tour dates 2013

Thailand / Bangkok

Recital with Jamorn Supapol, piano and Regula Maurer, cello

January 16, Bangkok

January 14-15-16, Masterclasses

Program: Mozart Sonata, Beethoven Piano Trio, Ravel 'Tzigane', Sarasate 'Gypsy Airs', De Falla 'Suite Populaire Espagnole' and Kreisler pieces

Australia / Perth

With the Fremantle Chamber Orchestra and conductor Chris van Tuinen

January 27, Government House Ballroom

January 28, Fremantle Town Hall

Program: Sarasate 'Gypsy Airs', Ravel 'Tzigane'

<http://members.iinet.net.au/~hug1/fco/>

Japan / Tokyo

February 9 and 10, Masterclasses

Indonesia / Jakarta, Medan, Surabaya and Bali

Recitals and Masterclasses with Teguh Sukaryo, piano

February 15, Erasmushuis Jakarta

February 16, Erasmushuis Jakarta

February 17, Medan

February 19, Surabaya

February 21, Bali

Program: Mozart Sonata, Franck Sonata, De Falla 'Suite Populaire Espagnole', Sarasate 'Gypsy Airs' and Kreisler pieces