Gratitude

We extend our deepest gratitude to Gayley Blaine for her extraordinary gift of a Steinway & Sons baby grand piano and to Eliot L. Muka of Steinway & Sons for his invaluable assistance, expertise and support.

This magnificent instrument will serve students, professional musicians, music enthusiasts, and audiences of all ages; inspiring a vibrant musical community at the Media-Upper Providence Free Library for generations to come.

Support the Performing Arts at Your Library

Help us bring music, education, and artistic opportunities to our community through concerts, musical programs, and creative collaboration.

Make a tax-Deductible Donation

Leave a Lasting Legacy to the Library, consider including the Library in your estate plans. Your legacy can help ensure that the performing arts continue to enrich our community for years to come.

For more information, please contact the library and ask for our Director, Sandra Samuel.

CAKE & COFFEE AFTER CONCERT



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PRESENTS

A Gift *of* Music

An Inaugural Steinway Concert & Dedication



Celebrate the extraordinary gift of a 1965 Steinway baby grand piano and the beginning of a new tradition of music at our library.

Thursday, November 19, 2026

6:00 - 6:30 PM
Meet & Greet
Enjoy Opening JAZZ music while meeting donor and musicians.

6:30- 7:30 PM
Concert & Dedication
Classical professional piano performances along with Chamber Music.

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In 1901, the Woman's Club of Media organized the Media Free Library Association to be located in a single room on the second floor of Borough Hall. The women sponsored classes in Literature and American History, with lectures and musical performances.



125 years later, this extraordinary tradition continues through the generous gift of a Steinway & Sons baby grand piano from Gayley Blaine. Her remarkable generosity carries forward the spirit of our founding women and opens new opportunities for musical education, artistic collaboration, and cultural enrichment.

We are especially grateful to Eliot L. Muka of Steinway & Sons for his expertise, guidance, and support in making this gift possible. Together, their generosity heralds a new chapter in the musical life of our library and our community.



Media-Upper Providence Free Library

A Gift *of* Music Concert Program

Opening meet and greet with jazz piano music, performed by Debbie Poryes.

Welcome by Library Director Sandra Samuel

The Piano: An Introduction in Words & Music – Eliot Muka "Francis' Piano" and "The Library Piano"

Fairy Tale Op. 51, No. 3 — Nikolai Medtner
Yanzhima Tsybikova, piano

Composed in 1928, Fairy Tale No. 3 is part of Medtner's Six Fairy Tales, Op. 51, a collection written during his years of self-imposed exile from Russia. The collection draws inspiration from Russian folklore and is dedicated to two beloved folk characters: Zolushka (Cinderella) and Ivanushka the Fool.

Sonata for Viola and Piano —
Rebecca Clarke, Movement I, Amber Lee Casper, viola
Yanzhima Tsybikova, piano

Rebecca Clarke's Sonata for Viola and Piano (1919) is one of the most celebrated works in the viola repertoire. The opening movement, marked Impetuoso, is passionate and dramatic, showcasing the viola's rich, expressive voice through sweeping melodies. Influenced by both late Romanticism and Impressionism, Clarke creates a striking musical dialogue between viola and piano, balancing emotional depth with virtuosity.

Piano Quartet in Eb Major, K. 493 — Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Movement I, Irina Schuck, violin
Alex Kruchoski, viola, Ezgi Yargici, cello
Tatiana Abramova, piano

Composed in 1786, Mozart's Piano Quartet in E-flat Major is a work of elegance, warmth, and remarkable musical interplay. Written for piano, violin, viola, and cello, the quartet blends the brilliance of the piano with the expressive richness of the strings.