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### **All-Stravinsky Recital by 4handsLA Celebrates *Rite of Spring* at 100 *Piano Duo Steven Vanhauwaert and Danny Holt Explore "Paris 1913"***

**SAN DIEGO** – The third concert of the 2013 Fall Concert Series of the City of San Diego Public Library will be held on Sunday, October 20, 2013. Piano duo Steven Vanhauwaert and Danny Holt will explore the theme “Paris 1913” in a recital of music by Igor Stravinsky for piano, four hands. The FREE program will be held at 2:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the San Diego Central Library@ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common, 330 Park Boulevard at 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue near Petco Park. The recital lasts about one hour with no intermission. Details of the program follow:

“Paris 1913”: Music by Igor Stravinsky for piano, four hands

- *Rite of Spring*
- Selections from *Petrushka*

4handsLA is L.A.’s “dazzlingly young” (*Los Angeles Times*) piano duo. The energetic team of Steven Vanhauwaert and Danny Holt was introduced to audiences in 2009 in a performance of Stravinsky’s *Rite of Spring*. *The Huffington Post* wrote that the performance “created a sensation”, and *LAOpus* said of their Stravinsky performance: “The four-hand piano [*Rite of Spring*] blazed like a comet through the hall. ... Vanhauwaert and Holt tore into this piece like furies, undeterred by daunting challenges. It was a performance at turns propulsive and precise, aggressive and tender. What aplomb these two demonstrated!” The duo’s debut CD, *Paris 1913*, features their signature Stravinsky alongside other contemporaneous four-hand works from Paris by Ravel, Satie, Casella, and Poulenc. Other projects include Stravinsky’s *Petrushka*, tone poems by Liszt, and an upcoming project featuring dance-themed repertoire for piano four-hands, from Mozart to the present day.

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Vanhouwaert and Holt are also active soloists, having performed at Carnegie Hall, Walt Disney Concert Hall, the Concertgebouw, and other venues across the U.S., Europe, and Asia.

Vanhouwaert was the Grand Prize winner of the 2004 Los Angeles International Liszt Competition and his recent tour of China culminated at the National Center of Performing Arts in Beijing. Holt is a versatile performer known for championing contemporary works. His *Fast Jump* album (2009, Innova Recordings) received rave reviews from *Gramophone* magazine and has been heard on radio stations from coast to coast.

The 2013 Fall Concert Series is the first concert series to be presented in San Diego Public Library's new Central Library. During the inaugural fall season, performers from some of the finest ensembles in San Diego will perform, including San Diego Symphony, Bach Collegium San Diego, San Diego Master Chorale, Hausmann Quartet, San Diego Children's Choir, and Camarada. For details, go to the library's Concert Series website at <http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/news-events/concertseries.shtml>

The concert is free and open to the public. Freewill donations are gratefully accepted. Affordable parking is available at the library and at thousands of public spaces within walking distance of the library.

For more information, call Central Library's Art, Music and Recreation Section at 619-236-5800, or visit the Library on the City's website at [www.sandiegolibrary.org](http://www.sandiegolibrary.org). Learn about other events at San Diego Central Library @ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common and 35 branch libraries, find links to numerous additional resources, or search for materials in the Library's online catalog.

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