

Mission Statement

The mission of JASSI is to improve the quality of life for people who are in needs, living in the New York metropolitan area as well as other areas by providing social services. JASSI provides services in both Japanese and English to people free of charge regardless of age or income, as they face problems with language barriers, cultural differences and differences in service systems.

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Eiko Kano, Violin

Praised as an artist with “electrifying intensity and lyrical expression” by Kyoto Newspaper and “mesmerizing interpreter” by Ongakuno-Tomo Magazine, Japanese violinist Eiko Kano is known for her sensational and dynamic performances. Eiko has a thriving international career as a soloist as well as a chamber musician

frequently collaborating with distinguished artists such as principal oboist of the Berlin Philharmonic Albrecht Meyer, Eugene Drucker of the Emerson Quartet and Ani Kavafian while working closely with living composers premiering new works.

She is a top prizewinner of multiple international competitions such as the 4th International Competition of Tokyo among others. As a result of winning the prestigious Forval Scholarship, Eiko was granted the Stradivarius “Reinville” violin for 2 years. She currently serves as an assistant concertmaster in Grammy Award-winning Albany Symphony Orchestra as well as regularly plays in the New York Philharmonic. Eiko is the concertmaster and senior artistic advisor of Pegasus: The Orchestra based in New York. Eiko has received BM and MM degrees from Manhattan School of Music and is a long-time resident of New York.

In 2016, she launched the critically acclaimed production titled “A Manhattan Story” (unique style of violin music with original storytelling). “Winter” was released in 2017 followed by “Spring” in 2018 and both CDs have been featured in the audio program on all international JAL flights. In 2018, Eiko founded a dynamic new ensemble, The New Yorkers, featuring Karén Hakobyan as her duo partner. Since then they have been performing extensively in USA and touring Japan for three consecutive seasons.

As a recognition of her remarkable performances, Eiko was loaned the precious “Wilhelmj” Stradivarius violin by Nippon Music Foundation. Her rare and mesmerizing video production of Bach Chaconne filmed in the prestigious Kyoto temple Zenrin-ji (Eikando) with a costume designed by Junko Koshino will be featured on all Jall International flights starting May 2020. <http://www.eikonyc.com>

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requests the pleasure of your company at

The 41st Anniversary Benefit Dinner

Thursday, October 27, 2022

**New York Athletic Club
Olympic Suite, 10th Floor, 180 Central Park South
New York, NY 10019**

**Cocktails at 5:30PM
Followed by Entertainment, Award,
Silent Auction and Dinner**

**Special Performance by
Ms. Eiko Kano, Violin,
accompanied with Mr. Karén Hakobyan**

**Honoree:
Asian American Federation of New York
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***Black Tie Optional**

Please RSVP by September 30, 2022