

EDVARD GRIEG SOCIETY, INC.



Per Brevig
Founder & President

Edvard Grieg's profound love for Norway combined with his extraordinary talent made him our great national composer. Yet he believed that great art knows no boundaries, and his music moves people of all nations even today. In the spirit of this great artist, the Edvard Grieg Society,

New York, strives to foster a deeper understanding in America of the rich cultural traditions of Scandinavia, and to promote intercultural exchange between artists from both sides of the Atlantic. — Per Brevig

In 1991, inspired by the approaching Sesquicentennial Anniversary of the birth of Edvard Grieg (1843-1907), the distinguished musician Per Brevig and members of the Norwegian-American cultural and business communities founded the Edvard Grieg Society. The purpose of the Edvard Grieg Society is:

To honor Edvard Grieg and to reinvigorate interest in his music by performing his masterpieces as well as lesser known works.

To educate a new generation about his life and work.

To introduce a range of Scandinavia's important but less familiar composers to the American public.

To contribute to a revitalization of the symphonic, chamber music and recital repertoire.

To expand audiences of the future through educational outreach and innovative programming.

During its first decade, the **Edvard Grieg Society** has produced more than 50 concerts, all to critical acclaim in The New York Times as well as other leading newspapers and publications. Some of these events have included:

- ★ Major orchestra concerts at Lincoln Center
- ★ Colloquia at Columbia University
- ★ Art Norway Festival— a one-week festival in collaboration with The New York Public Library for the Performing Arts
- ★ Four Generations of Norwegian Cello Music— a two-week American concert tour presenting Norwegian cello compositions
- ★ Two Art Auctions in New York City
- ★ Steinway Hall concerts, Weill Recital Hall concerts, concerts at The Juilliard School and Mannes College of Music and our first inaugural concert at Governor's Island as well as many events in private homes

The Edvard Grieg Society has earned a special place in New York's musical life. Today, the Society looks forward to continued presentation of Norway's preeminent composer Edvard Grieg and of the broader relationships between Scandinavian and American music and culture.

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