# Guest Artist Recital

## Ana Gabriela Fernández, piano

Friday, September 15 · 5:30 PM Rock Hall Auditorium 1715 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19122

## Program

Variaciones sobre una cancion francesa		Joaquín Gutierrez Heras (1927-2012)			
Mujer pintando en cuarto azul		Mario Lavista (1943-2021)			
Carteles I. II. III. IV. V. VI. VII. VIII.	Volantin Danza Maya Noche Huarache Sandunga Pordioseros Hechiceria Parangaricutirimicuaro	Miguel Bernal Jiménez (1910-1956)			
Patios Serei	nos	Gabriela Ortíz (b. 1964)			
Intermission					
Preludios para piano (selections)		Carlos Chávez (1899-1978)			
Estudio de séptimas		Ana Lara (b. 1959)			
Tango Rag		Mario Lavista			
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#### About the Artist

Cuban born pianist **ANA GABRIELA FERNÁNDEZ** studied at the Universidad de las Artes in La Habana, where she was graduated with honors in 2014 with a major in piano, and at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México / UNAM, where she received a master's degree in music performance in 2017. At UNAM, she studied with Lilya Zilberstein, Sara Davis Buechner, Evelyne Brancart, Gabriela Montero, and María João Pires. She then went on to receive a doctorate in performance with a dissertation on the music of Julián Orbón in 2021.

Fernández made her debut as soloist with the Orquesta Sinfónica de Cuba at age 10 and has received numerous awards. These include First Prize in the Musicalia International Piano Competition (Havana, 2013) and the Soloists' Competition Award held in conjunction with UNAM's 85th anniversary celebrations. In 2022, Ronald Zollman, conducted the Mexican premiere of Gabriela Ortiz's *Fractalis* for piano and orchestra with Ana Gabriela Fernández as soloist. *Fractalis* is a work in five movements commissioned by the National Orchestra of Brittany.

Fernández's recordings have attracted recognitions such as the Premio Cubadisco in 2012 and 2014, the latter for a CD devoted to Julián Orbón, Vol. V in the series Grupo de Renovación Musical from the Colibrí label. She has written extensively on Orbón's music, specifically her DMA dissertation titled "Julián Orbón y el Grupo de Renovación Musical de Cuba (1942–1945): Contexto y análisis del Capriccio Concertante (1943–1944)." Her interest in performing and researching the music of Latin American composers has led to participation in colloquiums organized by the Programa de Maestría and Doctorado en Música del Departamento de Posgrado de la UNAM. Papers presented at these colloquims include "Julián Orbón, músico de dos exilios," for the 11th symposium in 2016; "El Grupo de Renovación Musical de Cuba y Julián Orbón (1942–1945)" for the 13th in 2018; and "Huellas del neoclasicismo español o clasicismo moderno en el Capriccio concertante (1943-1944) de Julián Orbón," presented at the 15th symposium in 2020. In addition to lectures delivered at cultural events, such as Mexico City's 23 Festival Internacional Blanco y Negro, her writings have appeared in several online journals.

In Cuba, Fernández has performed at international events, such as the Festival de Música Contemporánea de La Habana sponsored by the Unión Nacional de Escritores y Artistas de Cuba and other events associated with the promotion of Latin American composers organized by Casa de las Américas. Concerts abroad include numerous recitals in Canada, the United States, and Mexico, where she also has performed as soloist with the Sinfónica Nacional de México, the Filarmónica de la Ciudad, and OFUNAM. In 2021, Fernández was granted a fellowship to attend the prestigious OAcademy directed by the renowned Venezuelan pianist Gabriela Montero.

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## Tuesday, September 19 at 12:00 PM

CPCA Faculty Forum: Chet Pancake

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#### Thursday, September 21 at 4:30 PM

Rite of Swing Jazz Café: Emmy Rota Group

TPAC Lobby

#### Friday, September 22 at 7:30 PM

Faculty Recital: Charles Abramovic, piano

Rock Hall Auditorium

#### Tuesday, September 26 at 5:30 PM

Master's Recital: Georgia La Rue, mezzo-soprano

Rock Hall Auditorium

#### Thursday, September 28 at 3:00 PM

Dance Studies Colloquium: Ninotchka Bennahum

TPAC Chapel

## Thursday, September 28 at 4:30 PM

Rite of Swing Jazz Café: The Helsinki Exchange

TPAC Lobby

## Friday, September 29 at 2:00 PM

Master Class: Warren Jones

Rock Hall Auditorium

## Friday, September 29 at 7:30 PM

Temple University Symphony Orchestra

Temple Performing Arts Center

#### Sunday, October 1 at 3:00 PM

Faculty Recital and Q&A: Kathryn Leemhuis, mezzo-soprano Rock Hall Auditorium

#### Monday, October 2 at 7:30 PM

World Music Lecture-Performance: Muqam Concert Rock Hall Auditorium

#### Tuesday, October 3 at 12:00 PM

CPCA Faculty Forum: Jeffrey Solow, professor of cello TPAC Chapel

#### Wednesday, October 4 at 4:30 PM

Jazz Master Class: Dafnis Prieto, drums TPAC Lobby

#### Wednesday, October 4 at 7:30 PM

Jazz on Broad: Dafnis Prieto, drums TPAC Lobby

#### Thursday, October 5 at 4:30 PM

Rite of Swing Jazz Café: The Organization TPAC Lobby

## Friday, October 6 at 7:30 PM

Mosaic Concert Temple Performing Arts Center

#### Tuesday, October 10 at 7:30 PM

Temple University New Music Ensemble Rock Hall Auditorium

## Wednesday, October 11 at 7:30 PM

Temple University Wind Symphony Temple Performing Arts Center