

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## Terra Sounds Features "Charcoal & Cello" – Music and Art Exhibition by visual artist, Olga Tsipursky and cellist, Sarah Berger.



**On June 21, 2014,** Terra Sounds of Glenview will host another Art & Concert Combo, as the School of Art & Music continues its 2014 Art & Concert Series. This unique blend, consisting of a musical performance and an art exhibit, has become a loved and awaited event of the North Shore community. A free event for all ages allows the audience to get exposed to a very personal experience of a formal event in a boutique setting. The June 21 event will feature the works of a visual artist, Olga Tsipursky, paired with a performance by classical cellist, Sarah Berger.

Olga Tsipursky is a CPA and an artist. Originally from Moscow, Olga is a long-time Chicagoan who escapes the daily confinement of cubicle-land to explore, imagine, and create. Olga's works range from pencil sketches, charcoal drawings, acrylic paintings, and graphic design renderings. Outside of generating products of mental catharsis, her prior works have included commissioned paintings and custom image designs for businesses. Her future projects will include more commissioned works as well as custom image designs for a board game.

The **Charcoal & Cello** exhibit will feature a series of charcoal drawings that progress from dark to light in both saturation and mood. With each work focusing on one person, the series is meant to mimic the human experience by highlighting optimism, when viewed from dark to light and pessimism, when viewed from light to dark.

As Olga explains, "My favorite aspect of exhibiting is to see which images resonate with the various audiences and to hear their interpretation, which usually vary as viewers tend to identify with a handful of drawings in particular. I think that it's such a great idea to combine art exhibits with musical performances, and it works particularly well in a boutique setting of Terra Sounds. I am looking forward to this joint event with Sarah Berger."



A native of Chicago, cellist Sarah Berger, is active as a soloist, chamber and orchestral musician across the United States and Europe. She was awarded first prize in the 2014 Mary Graham Lasley Scholarship Competition and in the 2011 Polish Arts Club of Chicago, as well as second prize in the 2014 Baltimore Arts Club Competition. Sarah was a full time member of the Civic Orchestra of Chicago during her undergraduate studies and has recently participated in one of the most prestigious international orchestra festivals, Schleswig-Holstein Musik Festival, in Germany.

Sarah holds a Bachelor's degree in music performance from DePaul University where she studied with acclaimed Steven Balderston. She also recently completed her Masters Program at The Peabody Institute of the John Hopkins University with renowned Israeli cellist Amit Peled. Sarah has received additional guidance from cellists such as Hans Jensen, Ralph Kirshbaum, John Sharp, and Emilio Colon.

She serves as co-founder of the Landowska Harpsichord Society of Illinois, which promotes young performing artists in the Chicago-land area. "I am excited to be back in my hometown and look forward to continuing to avidly perform and teach. I am grateful for Terra Sounds for producing the unique Art & Concert Series, which is so uncommon to the suburban entertainment options."

When: Saturday, June 21, 5-8pm

Where: Terra Sounds School of Music. 924 Waukegan Rd, Glenview, IL

**Price**: FREE (suggested donation \$10)

**RSVP**: Please RSVP as space is limited: (847) 737-1850 or customerservice@terrasounds.com

## **About Terra Sounds School of Music & Arts**

Terra Sounds is a new concept of dynamic education in music and creative arts for kids, teens, and adults. The school's faculty consists of some of the most talented musicians and artists in the Chicagoland area. From private lessons in music, arts, and languages to multi-disciplinary group classes, jam sessions, and recording services, the Terra Sounds experience inspires students of all levels to realize their full potential.

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