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ALL-FINNISH CHAMBER CONCERT BY MEMBERS OF SONOS CHAMBER ORCHESTRA ON OCT 17

Concert Includes Music of 3 Finnish Composers and Celebrates the 75th birthday of Finland's preeminent living composer

As an homage to the visit by the Ostrobothnian Chamber Orchestra, on **Friday, October 17, 2003** at **8:00P.M.**, members of the **SONOS Chamber Orchestra** will perform a **Special Concert of Finnish Music** at **Scandinavia House** (Scandinavia House, 58 Park Avenue between 37th and 38th St., New York, New York 10016. Telephone: 212-879-9779.). The concert will feature chamber music by three of Finland's greatest composers: **Jean Sibelius** (1865-1957), in celebration of **Einojuhani Rautavaara's** 75th birthday (b. October 9, 1928) and **Pehr Henrik Nordgren** (b.1944), including **two North American premieres**. Pre-concert lecture at 7:15pm.

CONCERT PROGRAM

Einojuhani Rautavaara (b. 1928)	String Quintet, "Unknown Heavens" (1997)
Pehr Henrik Nordgren (b. 1944)	String Quintet, Op. 110 (2000)
Jean Sibelius (1865-1957)	String Quartet in d minor "Intimate Voices" (1909)

ARTIST INFORMATION

Violin: Jorge Avila, Shih-Hung Young Viola: James Hogg Cello: Katherine Cherbas, Peter Sachon

SONOS, Erik E. Ochsner, Music Director, a not-for-profit organization, is a flexible and versatile group of artists devoted to the performance of mostly classical music in the New York City area. SONOS aims to explore the repertoire that is not often heard, to program concerts that spark interest and thought, and to provide a space for interaction between performers and audiences. Now in its fourth season, SONOS has commissioned two world premieres. SONOS Chamber Orchestra and Music Director Erik E. Ochsner were recipients of the American Scandinavia Society's 2003 Scandinavian Advocacy Award.

General admission seats are **\$15.00**, with a free pre-concert lecture at 7:15 PM, and can be reserved by telephone: (212) 750-4400; e-mail: info@sonoschamberorch.org, or at the door.

Scandinavia House, The Nordic Center in America, brings to life the rich cultures and traditions of the five Nordic countries – Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. A destination for New Yorkers and visitors to the City, Scandinavia House presents a wide variety of exhibitions and programs. Scandinavia House is the home of The American-Scandinavian Foundation, promoting educational and cultural exchange between the U.S. and the Nordic Countries since 1910.

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