

# PROGRAMME

Manuel De Falla  
(1876-1946)

*'Danse Spagniole'*

Julio Alberto Hernández  
(1900-1999)

*'El Primer Beso'*

Vittorio Monti  
(1868-1922)

*'Czardas'*

Cesar Franck  
(1822-1890)

*'Sonata in A mayor'*

Niccolò Paganini  
(1822-1890)

*'La Campanella'*

Rafael Solano  
(1931)

*'Por Amor'*



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*Aisha Syed Castro*

Concert in Amsterdam  
East to West World Tour



Hall: Koorzaal  
Concertgebouwplein 10, 1071 LN Amsterdam

Saturday 18th of November 2017 | 19:30 hs



## Aisha Syed Castro



AISHA SYED CASTRO is an international violinist from Santiago de los Caballeros, Dominican Republic. Internationally recognized as a prodigy, she made her debut as a soloist at the young age of eleven, with the Dominican Republic National Symphony Orchestra; becoming the youngest soloist in her country. She is the daughter of Saifuddin Syed, of Pakistani origin, and Carolina Castro from Dominican Republic.

She became interested in music at the early age of four. In 2013 she became the first Latin American to be accepted in the Yehudi Menuhin School of Music for gifted children. After auditioning in 2009, she won two scholarships, for the Guildhall School of Music and for the Royal College of Music in London, where she decided to study with the prestigious scholarship Soirée d'Or.

Aisha has performed at international halls like the Wigmore Hall in London, the National Philharmonic Hall in Vilnius, the Palace of the United Arab Emirates in Abu Dhabi, the Luxembourg Palace in Paris, the Linares Palace in Madrid, the National Theater of Santo Domingo, among others. As a soloist, she has performed in such events as the Abu Dhabi Music Festival, the Banstead Arts Festival, the Leamington Hastings Festival, the Yehudi Menuhin International Music Festival in Gstaad and the Santo Domingo Festival.

In the Dominican Republic, she has been awarded with three Soberano Awards, one Casandra Award and in the year 2014, she was appointed as Honorary Professor of the Art Department of the Autonomous University of Santo Domingo. Abroad, she received the Latin Pride National Award in the United States, and the Game Changer Prize in the international campaign "Keep Walking".

His Excellency, BEcon. Danilo Medina, President of the Dominican Republic, appointed her, in 2015, as Goodwill Ambassador for the promotion of the culture of her homeland. Since May 2015, she is, along with Gustavo Dudamel, Ambassador of the LEALA, an institution dedicated to promoting the Spanish language and Latin-American culture in Los Angeles, United States of America.

## Gabrielė Žemaitytė



Gabrielė Žemaitytė was born in Vilnius, Lithuania. She started playing piano at the age of six, when she began her studies at the National M. K. Ciurlionis Art School in Vilnius. Laureate of numerous national and international piano competitions, she has taken part in master classes with such renowned performers and teachers as Dmitry Bashkirov, Stefan Vladar, Alexander Sandler, Armen Babakhanian, David Breitman and Nina Seriogina among others. In 2016, Gabriele completed her Bachelor degree at Koninklijk Conservatorium, Den Haag in the class of Prof. Naum Grubert and is currently pursuing her Master degree there. Gabriele Zemaityte has performed at various venues and events throughout The Netherlands during her studies including Kammermuziekfestival (Den Haag) and Het Concertgebouw (Amsterdam). Later this year she will be participating in Gergiev Festival in De Doelen (Rotterdam).

Passionate chamber musician, Gabrielė actively performs with Dutch soprano Maria Warenberg and Russian violinist Leonid Nikishin. Gabrielė is privileged to have an opportunity to practice on a Bechstein grand piano kindly loaned to her by the National Music Fund (Nationaal Muziekinstrumenten Fonds)