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8th Annual BH International Music Fest Coming To Temple Emanuel

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The eighth Beverly Hills International Music Festival comes to Temple Emanuel of Beverly Hills, Saturday, Aug. 6-Monday, Aug. 15.

The festival will feature daily master classes for talented young musicians 12-24, and older.

The festival will also feature nine public concerts representing a variety of musical styles from the music of Jewish composers and popular Hollywood tunes to world masterpieces.

The festival will culminate with a performance by the Festival Chamber Orchestra.

Yonah Kliger, cantor at Temple Emanuel said of the festival, "Our congregation has a rich musical heritage and history that is well-known throughout the world.

"We once again welcome the opportunity to expand our artistic involvement into the realm of music education by participating in the Beverly Hills International Music Festival," Kliger added.

Master classes will offer young artists the opportunity to study with world-renowned musicians.

Participants can take part individually, as a chamber group or with their family or partner.

"This is an opportunity to experience intensive study and perform publicly," said Kliger.

One of this year's special guests is Israel's 27-year-old pianist Hagai Yodan who will perform and teach.

Other faculty musicians include Susan Greenberg, flute; Cyrus Forough, violin and Lily Afshar, classical guitar.

The concerts will begin at 8 p.m. at Temple Emanuel, 300 N. Clark Dr.

Programs will include a chamber music evening, "Music of Jewish Composers," Lyris Quartet, "Voice of Hollywood," and "The Music of Austria."

The final concert, Aug. 15 will feature the Festival Chamber Orchestra conducted by Gregory Cherninsky.

The International Music Festival began in 2004. "Temple Emanuel is proud to be the new home for the festival founded by Gregory Cherninsky, festival artistic director," said Kliger.

For more information, visit www.bhmusicfestival.org. To order tickets, call 310-779-7622.