

Violinist Elizabeth Pitcairn to teach violin master class at Appalachian

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BOONE— Elizabeth Pitcairn will teach a public master class with Appalachian State University violin students Nov. 3 from 5 to 7 p.m. in Broyhill Music Center's Rosen Concert Hall. The master class is free and open to the public and will be of particular interest to violin students and teachers in the area.

She also will perform three compositions at the conclusion of the master class: Gershwin's "It Ain't Necessarily So," Paganini's "Cantabile" and Monti's "Csardas." Pitcairn will have copies of CDs for sale and signing.

Pitcairn has earned a stunning reputation as one of America's most beloved soloists. She made her New York debut at Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall in 2000 with the New York String Orchestra and she appeared as soloist with the Philadelphia Orchestra at the Academy of Music.

She recently was named artistic director of the Luzerne Chamber Music Festival.

Pitcairn is a member of the faculty at the Colburn School of Performing Arts in Los Angeles.

She performs on one of the world's most legendary instruments, the Red Mendelssohn Stradivarius of 1720, said to have inspired the Academy award-winning film "The Red Violin."

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