

THINGS

It's happening in the Valley of the Moon; mark your calendars.



VALLEY OF THE MOON MUSIC FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 5:30 P.M.

MADRONE ESTATE AT VALLEY OF THE MOON WINERY

On May 19, musicians from Valley of the Moon Music Festival will offer a special preview performance of their fifth anniversary season, celebrating Europe's powerful 19th-century salonnières, women of power and influence who shaped the musical culture of their day. Hosted by the Madrone Estate at Valley of the Moon Winery in Glen Ellen, the concert on Sunday, May 19, highlights the relationship between Tchaikovsky and his eccentric patron Nadezhda von Meck. Tickets at \$40 are now on sale at valleyofthemoonmusicfestival.tix.com.

The event will feature six musicians in a performance of Tchaikovsky's "Souvenir de Florence," composed during the composer's stay at von Meck's villa in the Tuscan capital. Playing on historic instruments, the musicians include Owen Dalby and Francisco Fullana, violins; Cynthia Black and Tiffany Richardson, violas; and Frédéric Rosselet and Tanya

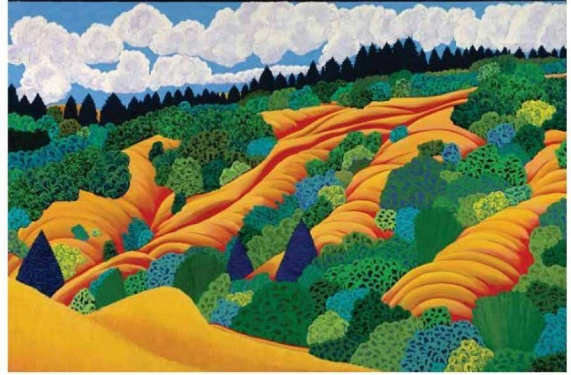
Tomkins, cellos.

Joining the event will be best-selling author and Sonoma resident Lynne Lancaster, reading from the vast collection of letters that Tchaikovsky and von Meck exchanged over 13 years. "Theirs was a deeply emotional and intellectual friendship—expressed entirely through letters because Nadezhda forbade their meeting in person," said Lancaster. "Nadezhda's financial generosity and whole-hearted support of Tchaikovsky's musical vision resulted in the body of work that is so revered today."

Attendees of the May 19 event will also be treated to a banquet of wines and small bites in the intimate tasting room of Madrone Estate's Valley of the Moon Winery.

Following the first concert on the festival's main stage at the Hanna Center in Sonoma, the Madrone Estate will host the festival again for two musical salon dinners on Sunday, July 14 and 21.

For the complete program of the festival's main stage season at the Hanna Center, July 14–28, visit valleyofthemoonmusicfestival.org/2019-summer-festival



THE SONOMA VALLEY MUSEUM OF ART

THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 16

A new exhibition, Sonoma Modern | Contemporary, is currently on view at the museum through Sunday, June 16, 2019.

Sonoma Modern | Contemporary celebrates the remarkable artistic legacy of Sonoma County. The exhibition features both historical and contemporary artists who have lived and worked in Sonoma County. Included are works by 34 artists, including Chester Arnold, Jane Baldwin, Fletcher Benton, David Best, Bernice Bing, Jim Callahan, Jay DeFeo, Charles Ginnever, Wally Hedrick, Robert Hudson, Alice Fellows, Marc Katano, Nicole Katano, Mary McChesney, Robert McChesney, Frances McCormack, Stanley Mouse, Bob Nugent, Deborah Oropallo, Hassel Smith, William T. Wiley, Franklin Williams, Douglas Fenn Wilson, and Dennis Ziemienksi, among others.

The Sonoma Valley Museum of Art is located at 551 Broadway, Sonoma. The museum is a nonprofit organization that provides seasonal exhibitions

of contemporary and modern art and educational and public programming for children, youth and adults. Museum hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. General admission is \$10 and free for SVMA Members. More information at svma.org, or by calling 707.939.7862.

