

At the initiative of Steinway Artist Eteri Andjaparidze, Steinway and Sons inaugurates

**AmerKlavier™ Institute at Steinway Hall**

109 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, New York City

***Advanced Piano Masterclasses with Eteri Andjaparidze***

Professor of Piano, Grammy Award Nominee

**Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, November 16, 17, 18, 2009, 2:30 – 5:30 pm,  
at the Henry Steinway Memorial Room**

***The Final Student Gala***

**Thursday, November 19, 2009, at 6:30 pm, at the Steinway Rotunda Hall**

The series of masterclasses with internationally acclaimed pianist and pedagogue Eteri Andjaparidze, will explore a wide variety of musical styles and forms, as well as offer a comprehensive survey of the piano concerto repertoire. The final showcase will feature the best participants in performance at the legendary Steinway Rotunda Hall, a professional New York home for many eminent Steinway artists.

Pianists over age 15 can apply. Previous or ongoing professional training is essential. To participate, please register at [amerklavier@gmail.com](mailto:amerklavier@gmail.com) by November 10th, 2009, and submit:

- CV with suggested repertoire
- Contact information with preferred date for participation

Daily limit: three or four students depending on the chosen repertoire.

Participation fee: \$100 due at the time of the masterclass in form of cash or check. Cancellation fee applies if later than 24 hours prior to the session.

Attendance fee: \$10.

Free admission to the final gala.



**Eteri Andjaparidze** has gained worldwide recognition as one of the most versatile artists and insightful pedagogues today. She has appeared at the most prestigious concert stages and international festivals, in solo and collaborative recitals, and as a guest soloist with the world's major orchestras and conductors. Her discography on Naxos, Marco Polo, and Melodiya labels, includes Grammy and Deutsche Schallplatten awards nominated solo albums. A descendant of the legendary Neuhaus piano lineage via her teacher Vera Gornostaeva at the Moscow Tchaikovsky State Conservatoire, Ms. Andjaparidze is a winner of the Montreal and Tchaikovsky international competitions. She has served as Professor of Piano and Head of the Keyboards Program at DePaul University School of Music in Chicago, Illinois, and taught at the Moscow and Tbilisi State Conservatoires, and the State University of New York. Her summer appointments as an artist-faculty have included International Keyboard Festival and Institute, New York City, International Festival-Institute at Round Top, Texas, PianoSummer at New Paltz, New York, Masterclasses International, Los Angeles, and Festival International de Colmar, France. She returns annually for masterclasses at Mannes College Yearlong Festival, New York City, and Tbilisi Sarajishvili State Conservatoire, Georgia. She is a founder and artistic director of *AmerKlavier™*, a unique program of advanced piano performance study.

Founded in 2003, as a part of *The United Sounds of America* festival directed by Eteri Andjaparidze in Chicago, IL, the initial *AmerKlavier™* series was dedicated to a retrospective of American piano music, with the title *AmerKlavier™* (American Piano) inspired by Beethoven's Piano Sonata Op. 106, *Hammer-Klavier* (Hammered Piano). Ever since, *AmerKlavier™* has emerged as a unique independent model of advanced piano performance study that seeks to uncover and address individual qualities and needs of aspiring pianists, while helping them attain the fluency of true mastery as they carve out their professional profiles. Innovatively designed and based on the world's finest traditions of the art of piano playing, the program offers specialized guidance through extensive masterclasses, workshops and performing opportunities by merging rigorous professional training with the real concert life experience. *AmerKlavier™* is dedicated to artistic and educational excellence, as well as exceptional professional camaraderie, and is the first piano performance studio named to the International Steinway Artists roster.

