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Noted Musicians Yasuko Hattori & Friends to Perform
Third Benefit Concert for East Palo Alto Kids Foundation
Chamber Music Concert Benefits K-8 Education Programs

EAST PALO ALTO, CA - November XX, 2009 - The East Palo Alto Kids Foundation ([EPAK](#)), an all-volunteer organization dedicated to promoting educational opportunities and academic success for students in East Palo Alto and eastern Menlo Park, announced today that it will once again host a benefit chamber music concert with renowned musician and former SF Symphony violinist Yasuko Hattori.

Date: Sunday, December 6
Time: 2:00 – 4:00pm
Location: Eastside College Preparatory Performing Arts Center
1041 Myrtle Street
East Palo Alto, CA

Online Reservations: <http://www.acteva.com/booking.cfm?bevoid=192531>

Hattori will be accompanied by musicians Gulnar Spurlock (violin), Noriko Iwamoto (viola), Lucinda Breed Lenicheck (cello), Hide Hattori (string bass) and Michiko Murata (piano). The diverse program will include the following selections:

- G. Rossini; Sonate a Quattro in G major
- F. Mendelssohn; Piano Trio No.1 in F major, Op. 49
- A. Dvorak; String Quartet No.12 in F major, *American* Op. 96

“We are delighted and blessed that Hattori and these wonderful musicians will perform on our behalf this holiday season,” said Laura Roberts, President of EPAK. “All proceeds will support EPAK’s efforts to provide support K-8 teachers and children in the Ravenswood City School District.”

“This is our third concert with EPAK. It is always a delight to perform for our neighbors, and to also help raise critical funds that will extend the excellent school programs EPAK supports in this underserved area. We hope our music inspires the community to join together at this festive time, with the spirit of harmony, understanding, and sharing,” adds violinist Yasuko Hattori.

This concert is sure to delight serious music lovers of all ages and will be followed by a donor reception to meet the musicians and talk to EPAK board members.

To make seating reservations [online](#), or for more information about the event, go to www.epak.org.

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ABOUT EPAK

The East Palo Alto Kids Foundation (EPAK) is a community-based, all-volunteer organization whose mission is to promote educational opportunities and academic success for students in East Palo Alto and eastern Menlo Park. We provide educator micro grants directly to teachers and sponsored project grants that significantly impact the learning environment for more than just one classroom of students. For more information about the East Palo Alto Kids Foundation, please visit www.epak.org.

ABOUT YASUKO HATTORI

Violin soloist Yasuko Hattori was a member of the Tokyo Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra and a member of the San Francisco Symphony from 1982 to 2000. She performs regularly in Tokyo and Nagano Japan and in the San Francisco Bay Area, and is a resident of Palo Alto.

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