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## JAZZ FROM CUBA NEXT AT McCARTER

### Chucho Valdés

Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. – Matthews Theatre



Multiple Grammy winner Chucho Valdés is a Cuban pianist, composer, arranger, and bandleader. He has become an explosive force that changed the landscape of Cuban music with its eclectic mix of jazz, rock, classical, and traditional Cuban rhythms. His latest project is *Jazz Batá*, joined by **Yelsey Heredia** on bass and **Dreiser Durruthy Bombale** on percussion and voice. Valdés describes the repertoire of *Jazz Bata* as almost all new music, representing both a “look forward and a closing of pending business.” In this special concert event, patrons can also hear the Colombian harpist **Edmar Castaneda** and **Grégoire Maret** on the chromatic harmonica as an opening act.

#### Ticket information

Chucho Valdés will perform in the Matthews Theatre on Thurs., April 12 at 7:30 p.m., tickets range from \$48 - 62 and can be purchased online at [mccarter.org](http://mccarter.org), by phone at (609) 258-2787, or in person at the McCarter Ticket Office.

## **ROBERTO FONSECA, piano**

**Tuesday, April 24 at 7:30 p.m. – Berlind Theatre**



Cuban-born pianist, composer, and Artistic Director of Cuba's Jazz Plaza Festival in Santiago, **Roberto Fonseca** dominates the "new Cuban scene" and has toured with the Buena Vista Social Club and Omara Portuondo. His own style lies at the crossroads of jazz, traditional Cuban music, and soul. A kaleidoscope of dancing colors, Fonseca's work incorporates many elements of the island's traditions, ranging from contradanza, mambo, and cha-cha-cha to danzon, bolero, and even hip-hop.

### **Ticket information**

Roberto Fonseca will perform in McCarter's Berlind Theatre on Tuesday, April 24 at 7:30 p.m., single tickets are \$56 and can be purchased online at [mccarter.org](http://mccarter.org), by phone at (609) 258-2787, or in person at the McCarter Ticket Office. Limited availability.

### **ABOUT McCARTER THEATRE CENTER**

Thanks to the efforts of Special Programming Director William W. Lockwood, McCarter Theatre Center is a premier presenter of artists renowned around the world and across genres as varied as dance, classical, pop, jazz, performance art, comedy, magic, children's theatre, and more.

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