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Classical picks: Phila. Young Pianists' Academy opens

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Pianist Ching-Yun Hu. HANSHUN WANG

Keyboard artistry in the dead of summer. The nine-day, seven-concert Philadelphia Young Pianists' Academy opens at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Field Concert Hall (in the Curtis Institute) with a Rachmaninoff program by its founder, Taiwanese pianist Ching-Yun Hu. She's known to have the kind of virtuosic technique needed for an all-Rachmaninoff program, but this one takes some chances. Though the familiar Piano Sonata No. 2 is on the first half, the second half is occupied by Études Tableaux, played complete. Also included: Rachmaninoff's transcription of Bach's Partita No. 3 for Violin. Tickets: \$12.50-\$25. Information: pypa.info. - **D.P.S.**