

Program

Reception

Room with a View

All Guests Announced

Dinner

Ballroom

**Welcome by Fred Tibbitts, Jr.
President & CEO**

**John Mauk Hilliard
Master of Ceremonies**

Entertainment

Siqing Lu
Concert Violinist

Concert Pianist

Graces & Loyalty Toasts

Moet & Chandon White Star

Donation Presentation to Tibet House

To Benefit Tibetan Refugees
Vikramasila Foundation

FTA Hospitality Awards

2007 FTA Hospitality Award for Excellence in Writing on Food and Beverage

Cheers Magazine
Donna Hood Crecca
Editor

2007 FTA Hospitality Award for Excellence as an IT Innovator

Agilysys, Inc.

2007 FTA Hospitality Award for Excellence as an Operator

Jean-Marc Jalbert
Senior Corporate Director of Food & Beverage
Accor North America

2007 FTA Hospitality Award for Lifetime Excellence

Dick Rivera
Chairman
National Restaurant Association

Dinner Personalities

Wes Ardis

Executive Vice President
American Hotel
& Lodging Association

Tim Barnekov

Dean
College of Human Services,
Education and Public Policy
University of Delaware

Rick Berman

President
Berman & Company

Nick Hadgis

Immediate Past President
International CHRIE

James Heisey

Interim Vice President
Office of Advancement
The Culinary Institute
of America

John Mauk Hilliard

Master of Ceremonies
FTA Dinner

Michael Kaufman

President
Pond Hill Ventures
Vice Chairman
National Restaurant
Association

Jerry Leeman

Marketing Manager
IBM Retail Store Solutions

Harriet Lembeck

Wine & Food Pairing
FTA Dinner

Siqing Lu

Concert Violinist
The People's Republic
of China

Diego Rivera

Consul of Chile
in New York
Consulate General
of Chile

Vincent Saele

Senior Vice President
Advancement
Johnson & Wales
University

Dawn Sweeney

CEO
National Restaurant
Association

Nellie Teplinsky

AVP
Premier Relationship
Manager
HSBC Bank USA N.A.

Ganden Thurman

Executive Director
Tibet House U.S.

Dinner Menu

PHILLIPS SEAFOOD MEYER LEMON KING CRAB COCKTAIL

1. Napa Cellars Sauvignon Blanc 2005, Napa County, California
2. Pascual Toso Chardonnay 2006, "Maipu", Mendoza, Argentina
3. Forest Glen Chardonnay 2005, California

GRILLED FILET MIGNON with MERLOT SHALLOT GLAZE, SCALLION POTATOES and BOUQUETIÈRE OF VEGETABLES

4. Montes Alpha Cabernet Sauvignon "Apalta" 2005, Colchagua Valley, Chile
5. Aquinas Cabernet Sauvignon 2005, Napa Valley, California
6. Chateau Fontbernard 2005, Montagne Saint-Emilion, Bordeaux

TOMME de SAVOIE, AGED MANCHEGO and MORBIÈRES

7. Trinchero Pinot Noir "Vista Montone" 2005, Napa Valley, California
8. Kono Barú Shiraz 2005, South Eastern Australia

LEMON TART with RASPBERRY COULIS

9. Montevina Terra d'Oro Moscato 2005, California

Coffee & Tea

Water provided by Evian North America

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*Siqing Lu:
China's Foremost
Violinist*

One of the most active violinists today, Siqing Lu is the first Asian violinist to win the prize at the prestigious Paganini International

Violin Competition in Italy in 1987. Hailed by Strad as "an outstanding talent", Siqing (pronounced See-Ching) is acknowledged as one of the most outstanding Chinese violinists of his generation. As the most celebrated violinist of his land, Siqing has appeared with all the major orchestras in China and as featured soloist with such orchestras as the Royal Philharmonic, Bern Symphony, Aspen Chamber Symphony, Los Angeles Bowl Orchestra, Paris Sinfonietta, Vancouver Symphony, Russia National Orchestra, among others. He has performed to acclaim in more than thirty countries throughout North and South America, Europe, Asia, including concerts at Avery Fisher Hall, 92nd Street Y, New York; Hollywood Bowl, Los Angeles; Ford Center, Toronto; Royal Opera House, Wigmore Hall, London; Theatre Des Champs Elysees, Louis XIV Opera House at Palace of Versailles, Paris; Victoria Hall, Geneva; Great Hall, Kremlin Palace, Moscow; Suntory Hall, Tokyo, Great Hall of People, Beijing; Hong Kong Cultural Center, Hong Kong; National Concert Hall, Taiwan.

Siqing has released more than a dozen CD and video recordings for such labels as Phillips, Naxos and Marco Polo. He has made four recordings of the most famous Chinese violin work, "Butterly Lovers" violin concerto. His interpretation has been widely considered the best among more than 40 available recordings of this work, and has sold well over a million copies worldwide.

Siqing studied with Prof. Zhenshan Wang, Lord Yehudi Menuhin, Dorothy DeLay and Hyo Kang. Mr. Lu uses a 1742 "Wieniawski" Guarneri del Gesu violin, which is generously loaned to him by the Stradivari Society in Chicago.

Siqing Lu Program

1. "Butterfly Lovers" Violin Concerto
(Excerpt) Chen Gang, he Zhanhao
2. Tambourin Chinois Kreisler
3. Czardas Monti

Weicong Zhang
Concert Pianist