# Poetica Musica

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Poetica Musica, whom the *New Times* has dubbed “Good Will Ambassadors”, is a New York-based consortium that has served for many years as Artists-in-Residence at Old Westbury Gardens, a stately mansion located on Long Island, New York. Poetica Musica has toured Europe, the Middle East, South America, Africa and Asia performing at such festivals as the Istanbul International Festival, the Bergen Festival in Norway, the Dark Days Festival in Iceland, the Sarajevo Festival in Bosnia, the Janačekin Hukvaldy Festival, the South Bohemia Festival, the Concentus Moraviae Festival, the Česky Krumlov Chamber Music Festival and the Martinu Festival in the Czech Republic sponsored by such organizations as the Martinu Foundation, the Janaček Foundation and the Baroque Theater Foundation of the Česky Krumlov Chateau among others. They have also performed at the Victoria and Albert Museum, the St-Martin-in-the-Fields and the Holywell Music Room of Oxford University in Great Britain. Poetica Musica has presented concerts at the American Days Festival in Bialystok, Poland and at the famous Dziekanka Chamber Music Series presented by the Chopin Academy in Warsaw and has toured over sixty nations including Slovakia, Bulgaria, Bosnia, Croatia, Rumania, Turkey, Kuwait, Peru, Guyana, Azerbaijan, Israel, Jordan Jamaica, Tajikistan, Russia, Lithuania, Estonia and Guyana

Poetica Musica has also performed at the Weill Hall of Carnegie Hall participating in the Hans Christian Andersen Festival, a worldwide celebration commemorating the Bicentennial of Hans Christian Andersen sponsored by the Hans Christian Andersen Foundation in Denmark and the Royal Danish Consulate General in New York. They have toured India time participating in music series in Pune, Calcutta, Mumbai, New Delhi and Shilong under the auspices of the Mehli Mehta Foundation and the United States Embassy in New Delhi and United States Consulate in Mumbai. They have participated in “Grieg Week”, a celebration of the music of Edvard Grieg sponsored by the Royal Norwegian Consulate General in New York performing at Weill Hall of Carnegie Hall. Poetica Musica has performed at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. and the World Bank to critical acclaim.

Members of Poetica Musica have served on the faculties of Manhattan School of Music, Lehmann College, SUNY Buffalo, Brooklyn College, Juilliard, the Belgrade Academy of Music, New York University, the Prague Music Performance Institute, the College of New Rochelle, the University of Alabama and SUNY Fredonia.

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Poetica Musica has performed on live broadcasts from the Kennedy Center in Washington, DC, CNN World report, CNN Turk, Radio Baku. Radio Damascus, Radio Guyana, WNYC and has given lectures and master classes all over the world including Israel, Jordan, Turkey, Serbia, Slovakia, Romania and Peru in music academies, public schools, community centers and hospitals

Members of Poetica Musica have recently helped to found a music festival in Ulcinj, Montenegro supported by the United States Embassy in Podgorica, Teuta, the Albanian-American Cultural Foundation and the Municipality of Ulcinj. The goal of the festival is to bring together young artists from all over the Balkans, most especially the former Yugoslavia.

Poetica Musica has received the *Ambassador’s Award for Cultural Diplomacy* from the United States Department of State under Secretary Hillary Clinton.

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