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Quick Facts

- The concert is Jan. 27 at 4 p.m. in Barnes Recital Hall.
- Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for faculty, staff and the general public.
- Hautzig has presented concerts at Winthrop for more than two decades.



Walter Hautzig, left, at a master class

ROCK HILL, S.C. - [Austrian concert pianist Walter Hautzig](#) returns to Winthrop with a selection of classical compositions on Jan. 27 at 4 p.m. in the [Conservatory of Music's Frances May Barnes Recital Hall](#).

This year's performance includes works by **Beethoven**, **Schubert** and **Chopin**.

For more than 22 years, Hautzig has presented recitals annually at Winthrop. From 1999 to 2009 he taught master classes each summer at Winthrop, attracting students and teachers from all over the world. Formerly of the **Peabody Conservatory** in Baltimore, Hautzig has performed all over the world, including

numerous concerts in Japan and throughout western Europe and South America. On his 90th birthday, [Steinway Hall](#) in New York City presented him in recital as a special celebration.

Hautzig's recordings of Schubert, Chopin and Brahms have received critical acclaim. His autobiography "[Playing Around the World: A Pianist Remembers](#)" traces his life as a concert pianist dating back to his youth in Vienna. After the Nazis rose to power, he left Austria for Jerusalem, where he studied at the conservatory there. Hautzig came to the U.S. in 1939, continuing his musical education at the **Curtis Institute of Music** in Philadelphia, Pa., graduating with honors.

His autobiography also traces his study with legendary teachers such as **Artur Schnabel** and **Mieczyslaw Munz**. Hautzig remains one of the last generations of great pianists associated with the Golden Age of the Piano.

Tickets for the Jan. 27 concert are \$10 for general audience; \$10 for senior citizens and Winthrop faculty/staff; and \$5 for students.

For more information about the concert, contact the [Department of Music](#) at 803/323-4639.

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