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June is in full swing with events featuring all the fine arts, from music to film to books and poetry.

In terms of powerhouse talent, the first weekend of the Rockport Chamber Music Festival features two brothers, Nikki and Timothy Chooi, both violinists who have been making musical waves around the world. They perform with an American prize-winning

pianist Clayton Stephenson, who is known for his onstage charisma.

The concert on Saturday, June 8, at 5 p.m. at the Shalin Liu Performance Center in Rockport features a program of works by Corigliano, Shostakovich, Sarasate, Prokofiev, among others. "Both artists bring dynamic stage personas and established careers — Nikki is concertmaster of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra and Timothy is the First Prize winner of the Joachim International Violin Competition," according to a program statement.

Nikki Chooi also has appeared as guest concertmaster with several major orchestras, including the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra. For Timothy Chooi, he has a global audience with a media following of millions of viewers. On an added note, these two 21st century virtuosos will perform on violins that are centuries old, and bring to life the works of diverse composers. For details and tickets, visit: rockportmusic.org.