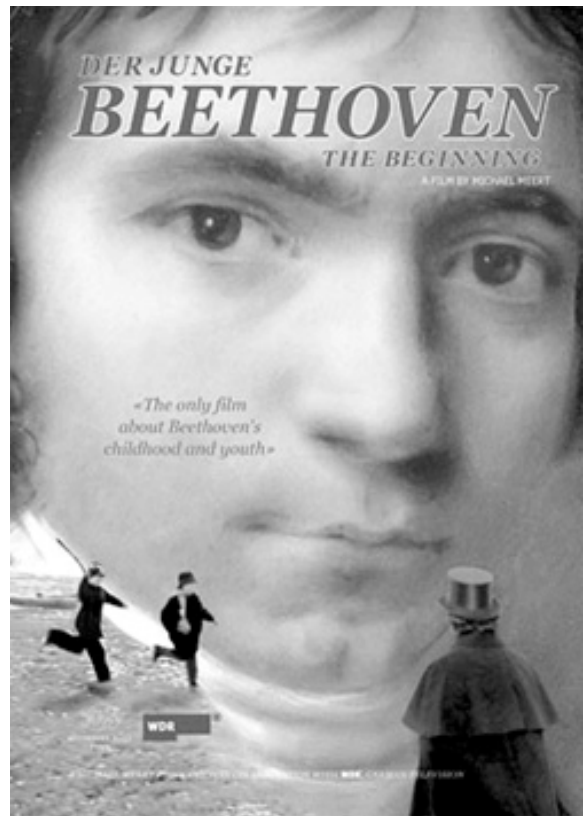


The Ira F. Brilliant Center  
for Beethoven Studies  
and the American Beethoven Society  
cordially invite you to celebrate  
Beethoven's 241st birthday  
on his baptismal day!

Saturday, December 17, 2011  
1:00 — 5:00 p.m.

The Ira F. Brilliant Center  
for Beethoven Studies,  
Schiro Program Room, Fifth Floor  
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library

Free film screening  
from 2:00-3:00 p.m.:



*Beethoven: The Beginning (Der junge Beethoven)*  
“The only film about Beethoven’s childhood and youth”

A Michael Meert production in collaboration with WDR, 2007  
in German with English subtitles

“New research shows that Beethoven’s family history and childhood laid the foundation for his exceptional musical development. His genius as a musician and composer manifested itself even during his youth in Bonn in an atmosphere of cultural and political awareness. Loek Dikker’s very special soundtrack conveys, in a contemporary way, the tension between improvisation and conventional musical forms. A balanced and yet surprising narrative combines entertaining fiction with the insights of sound academic research.”

We welcome Beethoven enthusiasts of all ages to join us for the film and cake!  
And don’t miss *America’s Beethoven*,  
an exhibit celebrating America’s passion for Beethoven the cultural icon and Beethoven’s music  
(exhibit closes Wednesday, December 21)

*Convenient city parking available in the garage on the corner of San Fernando and South 4<sup>th</sup>  
Street, immediately across from the King Library*

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