



Cariwyl Hebert



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Mozart Made Modern

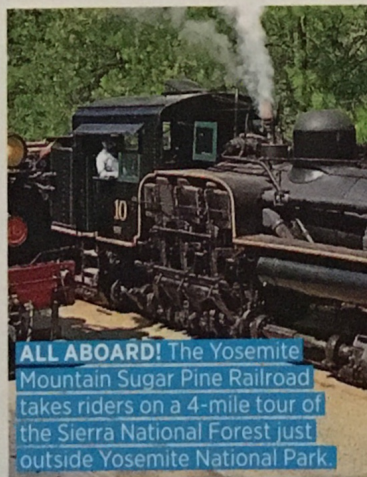
WHAT WOULD COMPOSER Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart think about music and technology today? **SALON97** founder Cariwyl Hebert imagines his response through the *Mozart Does Stuff* online video series. In support of her nonprofit's mission to make classical music more accessible, the violinist dons a Mozart costume and does the dishes, dances to pop songs, hails a cab and even operates a cellphone. Salon97's quirky approach works — in the five years since Hebert set out to show how cool classical tunes can be, she's expanded the organization's offerings from free living-room listening parties, complete with wine and cupcakes, to public events at San Francisco's Conservatory of Flowers and events at New York's classical radio station, WQXR.

"My whole mission was to find the best way to share this with peers who don't really get it," says Hebert, who studied classical music. "But, I

often refer to it as the gateway drug to the symphony hall ... there are a lot of places to access this kind of music."

Salon97 presents monthly listening parties and film screenings throughout San Francisco. In addition to a fifth-anniversary celebration scheduled for May, the nonprofit is hosting several spring events in Boston and New York.

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