

Saturday February 22, 2020

“Viva Italia”

Featuring Jodie DeSalvo In Concert

Doors Open at 3:00

Concert at 4:00

Reception following

Moorings Presbyterian Church (Moss Hall)

Price: \$50

Chairs: Kathleen Rossi & Judy LaMelza

Hop in the Ferrarri or glide in the gondola down a beautiful canal as we present an Italian musical afternoon featuring Naples favorite Jodie DeSalvo, pianist, Ciro Amato who is lovingly referred to as Naples singing chef, and Tom Cimarusti on the accordion. Concentrating on the southern regions of Italy, the trio will present music by Scarlatti, Vivaldi, operatic arias and piano transcriptions by Verdi and Puccini, as well as beloved folk songs such as Torna Sorriente and O Surdato. Music from The Godfather and Italy’s Academy Award winning composer Morricone, who wrote Cinema Paradiso will also be on tap for an afternoon of pride and joy for all Italians and anyone else who wishes they were Italian! Don’t miss it!



Jodie DeSalvo has captured national and international attention with her classical and jazz interpretations of the masters of keyboard literature. Upon winning the Artist International Competition in 1988, Ms. DeSalvo made her Carnegie Hall debut to critical acclaim with an encore performance two years later at Lincoln Center. She has been a top prize winner in the Young Keyboard Artists Competition, the American Music Scholarship Competition and the National Federation of Music Clubs Competition. A graduate of the Hartt and Manhattan Schools of Music, and a former student of John Browning and Gary Graffman, she is also a past recipient of the Artist Fellowship Grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Ms. DeSalvo has toured extensively as piano soloist appearing with the orchestras of Chicago, Geneva, Lucerne, San Francisco, Hartford, and Chautauqua under the batons of noted Maestros Christopher Wilkins, David Effron and Gisele Ben Dor. Having called Fort Wayne her home for nine years, she has appeared with the Fort Wayne Philharmonic numerous times. A frequent soloist with the Naples Philharmonic, she has appeared on the classical and pops series with Jorge Mester, Jeff Tyzik, Bruce Hangen., and Stuart Chafetz.