

Irene Veneziano - Newsletter n.6

Sesto Calende (VA) – November 2011

Dear Friends,

November was a busy and challenging month filled with intense and brilliant times, not least of which was when I played the Chopin Concerto to a packed Empoli Cathedral for the Empoli Associazione Rami Musicali. It wasn't all plain sailing, however. How could I forget the rather nasty misunderstanding regarding the issuing of my visa by the Russian Consulate in Milan? It meant I couldn't leave for Moscow as planned. What a disappointment! I certainly learned the hard way that there are pitfalls in the most unexpected areas of the life of a concert pianist! Areas that have nothing whatsoever to do with piano (and there plenty enough of them there, I have to say!). So you have to be constantly on your guard and never trust too much in what you're told.

However, it does give me great pleasure to announce the arrival, at long last, of the physical CD copies of "**Flowers**", my interpretations of the music of composer Franco Salaris which have been available for download for the last month from:

<http://www.cdbaby.com/cd/salaris> .

As I told you in my last newsletter, we're hoping the CD will help Franco's son, who suffers from autism, to have a better life. Part of the profits will go to the not-for-profit organisation, Nani e Nani which develops and implements alternative communications strategies for autistic children.

Salaris's music is incredibly intense, genuine and simple, perfect for any kind of listener: it would make a fantastic Christmas gift for the people who receive it, for Franco's son, the association and, as a result, for me.

If you'd like a copy of the high quality audio CD, just contact me personally:
ireneveneziano@gmail.com.

The CD costs 13 euro plus postage and packing.

It would also be a great gift to me if you could help spread the word about its launch.

Last but not least, I'll be holding my **annual piano and chamber music with piano course** between January and June 2012. It will take place one Sunday each month in Novara with six sessions of at least an hour's tuition per person. The course is open to musicians of all ages and abilities.

For further information, please contact associazioneicons@fastwebnet.it or call +39 3385367686, or log on to the www.accademianovara.it website which will be up and running from December.

My concert dates for December 2011 and January 2012 are as follows:

Sunday, December 4th 2011

TIVOLI (ROME): Throne Room in the Villa d'Este, P.za Trento 5, 11:15 a.m.

Concert performed on an original Erard piano from 1879 owned by Giancarlo Tammaro.

Music by Chopin and Liszt

<http://www.associazionecolleionci.eu/?p=4302&lang=it>

Saturday, 10th December 2011

LUCERA (FG): Sala "Paisiello", via Bozzini, 7.00 p.m.
Duet concert with violinist Saveria Mastromatteo
(Amici della musica "Giovanni Paisiello", Lucera)
Music by Mozart, Dvorak, Prokofiev

Monday, 12th DECEMBER 2011

WARSAW (Poland): NIEPODLEGŁOŚCI MUSEUM, al. Solidarności 62
tel. (0-22) 826-90-91 (switchboard) (0-22) 827-37-70 (secretary's office); 5.00 p.m.
Solo recital.
Music by Chopin and Schubert/Liszt

Thursday, 15th DECEMBER 2011

GENEVA (Switzerland): Palais de l'Athénée (Jeudis du piano, Société des Arts), 8.00 p.m. Solo recital.
Music by Chopin, Debussy
http://www.athenee.ch/piano_set_gris.html

Saturday, 7th JANUARY 2012

SESTO CALENDE (VA): Church of San Donato, 9.00 p.m. Free.
Solo recital and with Le Cameriste Ambrosiane string quintet.
Programme: Debussy and Chopin for solo piano
Glinka: Serenade (Divertimento Brillante) on themes from Bellini's "La Sonnambula" for piano and string quintet

Chopin: Concerto n.1 op.11 (version for piano and string quintet)

Saturday, 14th JANUARY 2012

SAINT-GERMAIN-EN LAYE, PARIS (France): Musée Debussy, 38 rue au Pain, 78100 Saint-Germain-en-Laye, 5.00 p.m.
Music by Chopin and Debussy

Saturday, 21st JANUARY 2012

VARESE: Salone Estense, 9.00 p.m. (Endas di Varese Season)
Recital with violinist Francesca Dego
Music by Mozart, Prokofiev, Debussy, Dvorak.

If you intend attending any of my concerts, please do check my website www.ireneveneziano.it for dates and times as they can change at short notice.

I would also like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year: I hope both will be full of true riches, love and peace.

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