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Irene Veneziano - Newsletter n°2 - 2024

Gallarate (VA), June 2024

Dear friends,

as you can read from the header of my newsletter, I moved to the town of Gallarate and now I am very happy to live near the conservatory where I teach and to live in a larger house with a beautiful room dedicated to music!

First of all I'd like to inform you that there are still some places available in my **masterclass** which I will hold from 8 to 14 July in Quarna (VB), a small mountain town. Five individual lessons are scheduled: I'll wait for you! Here is the information: <https://www.improntasonora.org/masterclass>

This last period, already very rich in **musical events**, was unfortunately even more challenging due to an injury: in fact, following a very simple sprain, I broke a bone in my right foot. Even though it was the foot I normally use for the main pedal of the piano, I still managed to perform my concerts by using my left foot instead of the right: new challenge overcome!

First of all, I'd like to tell you that I have played in Rome for the Casio Pianoforti Dealer Convention and I demonstrated their latest model of hybrid digital piano AP-750 also in April at the Cavalli Musica store in Castrezzato.

Moreover, I had the wonderful opportunity to play my beloved Concerto for piano and orchestra K 488 by Mozart with Milano Classica Orchestra conducted by Diego Montrone: despite the use of my left foot, I felt at ease and in tune with the orchestra, and I think we managed to convey beautiful emotions to the audience at the nice Teatro Le Vigne.

Furthermore, I have played in duo four hands with the pianist Eliana Grasso, my usual adventure companion, in some events: a concert for a school in Milan with the "Carnaval des animaux" by Saint-Saëns enriched by the intervention of an actress, a concert in Chivasso for the Associazione Contatto for the Women's Day and a concert in Bergamo in the wonderful Sala Piatti for the Società del Quartetto now in its 120th musical season.

I have also had the pleasure of playing again in a duo with the first flute of the Teatro alla Scala in Milan Andrea Manco, extraordinary musician, at the Teatro del Popolo in Gallarate inside the musical season of the "G. Puccini" Conservatory. We will return to play together also at the end of June in Vigevano.

I'd also like to tell you that I have come back to Skien in Norway to hold a masterclass for Kreativ Øving, followed by a concert in which I played together with all the kids who had participated in the masterclass: as always, they gave me a very warm and affectionate welcome!

In April I was also called to be part of the **jury** of the "M. Bramanti" National Piano Competition in Forte dei Marmi: what a thrill to find myself on the jury of a competition in which I participated twice as a young girl and which I was very fond of!

Finally, I have also held several masterclasses in this period: a masterclass for the Caltanissetta Conservatory, one for the Alessandria Conservatory, one for the Liceo Musicale "P. Bausch" in Busto Arsizio and one for the Civica Scuola di Musica of the province of Sondrio in Chiavenna: it is always enriching to listen to kids of different ages and levels, all motivated and well prepared by their teachers, a beautiful musical exchange!

I remind you that you can find information about all my CDs at this link:

<https://www.ireneveneziano.com/en/category/discografia/> . It's also possible to download all the CDs from iTunes and Amazon, or listen to them for free on Spotify or Deezer.

You can find the complete list of upcoming events using the following link:

<http://www.ireneveneziano.com/en/category/live-prossimi-concerti/>

Here are the events scheduled for the next period.

Sunday 16th June 2024: Aosta, Italy

Recital for 4 hands with the pianist Eliana Grasso.

Area Megalitica di Saint-Martin-de-Corléans, Corso Saint-Martin-de-Corléans, 258, 6:30 pm.

"Printemps en musique 2024", for Conservatoire de la Vallée d'Aoste.

Booking at +39 3355210898 (mon. - fri. 9-12, 14.30-16.30).

Music by Tchaikovsky, Moszkowski, Brahms, Saint-Saëns.

Sunday 23rd June 2024: Vigevano (PV), Italy

Recital in duo with the first flute of Teatro Alla Scala of Milano Andrea Manco.

Auditorium di San Dionigi, Piazza Martiri della Liberazione, 5:00 pm.

"Musical festival at San Dionigi" organized by Orchestra Sinfonica Città di Vigevano.

www.orchestracittadivigevano.com

Music by Fauré, Debussy, Prokofiev.

Thursday 27th June 2024: Milano, Italy

Recital for 4 hands with the pianist Eliana Grasso.

Villa Mirabello, Via Villa Mirabello 6, 9:00 pm.

"Villa Mirabello Classica 2024: Note d'estate - Concerti nel chiostro".

www.fondazionevillamirabello.it

Music by Tchaikovsky/Rachmaninov, Moszkowski, Grieg, Brahms, Saint-Saëns/Garban.

8-14 July 2024: Quarna Sotto (VB), Italy, MASTERCLASS

The masterclasses is open to pianists of every age, level and title. The masterclass takes place in Quarna, a small mountain town, at the Fabbrica Grassi, via Roma. 5 individual lessons of 50 minutes are guaranteed.

Info: www.improntasonora.org/masterclass

Monday 22nd July 2024: Moneglia (GE), Italy

Recital in duo with the violinist Daniele Pascoletti, Concertino of Teatro alla Scala in Milano.

Oratorio dei disciplinanti, via dell'Oratorio, 9:15 pm.

Associazione Musicale Felice Romani. www.feliceromani.it

Music by Grieg, Bartok, Massenet.

1-3 August 2024: Sandviken (SWEDEN)

Piano solo and chamber music recitals with the clarinet player Håkan Rosengren and the viola player Miranda Nordqvist.

"Sandviken Chamber Music Festival".

* 01-08-2024: Inaugural concert, Kulturcentrum, Köpmangatan 7, 7:00 pm. Music by Grieg.

* 02-08-2024: Afternoon concert, Kulturcentrum, Köpmangatan 7, 1:00 pm. Music by Saint-Saëns.

* 02-08-2024: Evening concert, Kulturcentrum, Köpmangatan 7, 6:00 pm. Music by Mozart, Cowell, Debussy.

www.kammarmusik.org/festivalen-2024

Music by Grieg, Saint-Saëns, Mozart, Cowell, Debussy.

21-25 August 2024: Pistoia, Italy, MASTERCLASS

The masterclasses is open to pianists of every age, level and title. The masterclass takes place in Villa Magni, Via Marino Marini n. 4, Pistoia. 3 individual lessons of 50 minutes are guaranteed.

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Wednesday 28th August 2024: San Quirico d'Orcia (SI), Italy

Recital in duo with the violinist Stephanie Zyzak.

Giardino Nilde Iottiv, via Poliziano 18, 9:15 pm.

Festival "Paesaggi Musicali Toscani". www.paesaggimusicalitoscani.it/festival

Music by Mozart, Dvorak, Beethoven.

If you wish to attend any of my concerts, please always check the dates and times on my website as these may change: www.ireneveneziano.com/en

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