



ENSEMBLE

The Voice of the Choral Art Form in Southwest Florida

Mozart to Gilbert and Sullivan in February



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Major events in the offing for February as the Second Season kicks into high gear.

Music lovers throughout Southwest Florida will have the opportunity to hear great music this month with performances by Choral Artists of Sarasota, The Venice Chorale, Musica Sacra of Sarasota, Anna Maria Concert Chorus and Orchestra, Seraphic Fire. A wide range of music to satisfy anyone's taste.

If you're in a romantic mood, don't forget that special someone on Valentines day with a change of pace offered by all the Barbershop chapters in the region...a live quartet to sing special love songs to your significant other. Contact the Gulf Coast Harmonizers, Fort Myers; The Paradise Coastmen, Naples; Venetian Harmony Chorus, Venice, The Everglades Chorus, Naples; Chorus of the Keys, Sarasota; Spirit of the Gulf, Fort Myers...all will have active quartets available to sing at a time and place of your choosing.



Tamiami Sound

Tamiami Sound Quartet

From

Spirit of the Gulf Chorus



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Choral Artists of Sarasota

From the Heart

Brahms German Requiem

Saturday, February 16, 2019 – 4pm

First United Methodist Church

104 South Pineapple Avenue, Sarasota

Brahms German Requiem inspires and comforts. William Averitt's Over Jordan, contemplates the joy of "crossing over Jordan."

Soloists: Jenny Kim-Godfrey soprano and Marcus DeLoach, baritone.



Founded in 1979
Choral Artists
of
Sarasota
the premiere chorus of
Southwest Florida

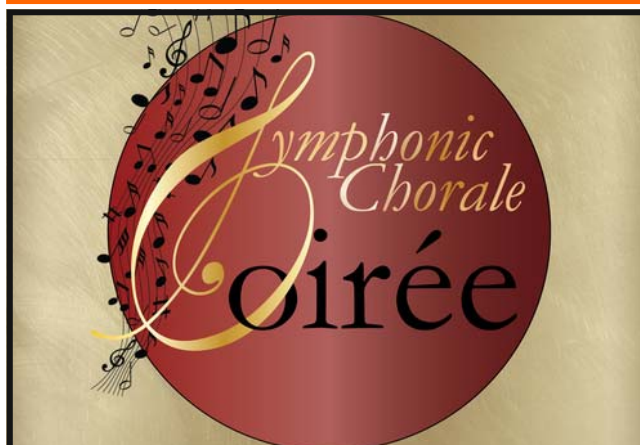
Joseph Holt
Artistic Director

Anna Maria Island Concert Chorus and Orchestra

"THE BEST OF GILBERT &
SULLIVAN"

Feb. 17, 2019, 2 p.m.

Kirkwood Presbyterian Church, Bradenton



Gourmet Soirée

Emcee: Trent Brown, Chorale Artistic Director

Dinner, Auctions, Wine Grab, 50/50 Raffle & more

Performances by:

Abigail & Shawn Allison (piano & sax duo)
plus members of the Symphonic Chorale's Talented
Core Singers

When:

Saturday, February 9, 2019
6:00pm - 10:00pm
doors open at 5:30pm

Where:

Lexington Country Club
16257 Willowcrest Way
Fort Myers, Florida

Musica Sacra of Sarasota



Karl Jenkins
Stabat Mater

February 25, 2019

Like much of Jenkins' earlier work, his *Stabat Mater* incorporates both Western music (orchestra and choir) with ethnic instruments and vocals, this time focusing on the Middle East.

LA Opera Alto

Sarah Reynolds

will be featured in her Florida debut.

Seraphic Fire

Patrick Dupré Quigley, conductor

Patrick Dupré Quigley and the women of Seraphic Fire recreate Antonio Vivaldi's famed 17th Century Ospedale della Pietà performances in this program of his concerti for treble voices accompanied by Baroque chamber instruments.

Thursday, Feb 14, 2019, 7:00pm | Naples: Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church



Naples Philharmonic Chorus



Tchaikovsky — Serenade for Strings in C Major
Mozart — Concerto for Horn and Orchestra No. 4 in E-flat Major
Mozart — *Ave verum corpus*
Mozart — Mass in C Major
Radu Paponiu, *conductor*
James Cochran, *chorus director*
Brice Gerlach, *chamber choir director*
Ryan Little, *hor*

The Naples Philharmonic brings some of the greatest music ever written directly to Marco Island. Don't miss Mozart and Tchaikovsky in these moving, intimate performances. Tchaikovsky's Serenade for Strings gets a full symphony treatment, plus principal horn Ryan Little solos in Mozart's Concerto for Horn and Orchestra. Special appearance by the full Naples Philharmonic Chorus, directed by James Cochran, and the Ave Maria University Chamber Choir, directed by Dr. Brice Gerlach.

United Church of Marco Island
320 North Barfield Drive
Marco Island, Florida

February 1, 7:30 pm

Venice Chorale

Shades of Love

Featuring the *Gift of Life:
Six Canticles of Creation*
by John Rutter



Peter Madpak
Artistic Director



Featuring the *Gift of Life: Six Canticles of Creation* by John Rutter

The Venice Performing Arts Center

February 25, 2019

Tickets: www.thevenicechorale.org or call 941-484-8491

The North Port Chorale

YOU
AND
THE
NIGHT
AND
THE
MUSIC

Saturday February 16, 2019

Opera Naples



Sung in Italian with English supertitles, this comedic hidden gem composed by Haydn takes place on a tiny deserted island. Disheartened Costanza and her younger sister, the innocent Sylvia, abandoned for 13 years by Costanza's fiancé get a big surprise when he returns after escaping captivity at the hands of pirates and tries to resolve the misunderstanding!

Thursday, February 21, 2019 ,7:30 pm

Saturday, February 23, 2019, 7:30pm

Wang Opera Center, Naples

Tickets: www.opernaples.org

Gulfshore Opera

Don Pasquale

Donizetti's Timeless Comedy

A Rambunctious Romp with Charming Musical Score

A delightful opera buffo (comic opera) about an old curmudgeon who prefers to disinherit his nephew rather than see him marry a woman he finds "unsuitable." Instead, he decides to find a wife himself and produce his own heirs! You will hear some of Donizetti's most charming melodies and enjoy the colorful set and costumes (with chamber orchestra accompaniment - at Naples FUMC and Port Charlotte).

February 01, 2019, 7:00 pm

Don Pasquale - Naples First United Methodist Church

February 07, 2019, 7:00 pm

Don Pasquale - Cultural Center Theatre
Port Charlotte Cultural Center Theatre

February 10, 2019, 7:00 pm

Don Pasquale - Sanibel United Church of Christ
Sanibel Island



Tickets: www.gulfshoreopera.org