

# FRIDAY PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAMS

at The Longboat Key Education Center

We have planned our performing arts programs to be in-person only with limited seating and social distancing. A small audience will provide a special experience. Registrants will be notified if our plans change.

## THEATRE SHOWCASE

*Innovative, captivating, compelling performances!*

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5 3 - 4:30 PM**

**PAF1 SHAKESPEARE'S LOVERS**

*Katherine Michelle Tanner, actor, director, playwright, and educator*

Katherine Tanner has created a beautiful new play, inspired by Shakespeare's lovers, that echoes the very soul of what it is to fulfill a love story. Get lost in the timeless tale of new love, lost love and forever love. She will be joined by actors Steven Garland and Alan Kitty. Q and A will follow.

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26 3 - 4:15 PM**

**PAF2 FINE AND DANDY: *The Story of George Gershwin and Kay Swift***

*Sandra Moulin — storyteller, musician, public speaker*

Sandra Moulin becomes Kay Swift, the talented female musician who played a major role in the composer's very short life. Sandra will educate and entertain with familiar Gershwin favorites on the baby grand piano. Q and A will follow. Sandra was unable to do this presentation last season. Hopefully, we will be able to enjoy it this season!

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

*These musical concerts will lift your spirits!*

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 29 3 - 4:15 PM**

**PAF3 JEWISH SOUL MUSIC — *From the Shtetl to the 21st Century***

*Rosalie Leon, Jewish music specialist, guitarist, vocalist, and entertainer*

This innovative program incorporates a history of the Jews with Yiddish, Hebrew, and Ladino songs. Tracing their steps across the centuries, Rosalie chronologically follows the Jewish people, from their tiny European shtetls, to the wave of U.S. immigration after the Czarist pogroms, the Yiddish Theater, the ghettos during and after World War II and the founding of the state of Israel. The show concludes with modern day music and stories. Rosalie was a big hit last season. We are happy to have her back!

**FRIDAY, MARCH 5 3 - 4:30 PM**

**PAF4 FIFTY+YEARS OF BROADWAY**

*David S. Polansky, career musician, educator, and lecturer*

David takes us on a music journey made up of many of America's favorite Broadway hits over an almost sixty-year period that goes from 1921 to 1968. The shows include *Ziegfeld Follies*, which introduced "Second Hand Rose"; *Lady Be Good* which included "Fascinatin' Rhythm"; *Show Boat* with "Old Man River"; and others including *Girl Crazy*, *Oklahoma*, *West Side Story*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, and *Ain't Misbehavin'*. For the last five seasons David has delighted his returning fans with his exciting trumpet solos, versatile voice, "sure to please" keyboard and warm rapport with the audience.

**Per Performance: Members \$20 Non-Members \$25**

**Registration is required for all performances.**

Register online at [www.lbkeeducationcenter.org](http://www.lbkeeducationcenter.org), email [info@lbkeeducationcenter.org](mailto:info@lbkeeducationcenter.org) or call (941) 383-8811.

**FRIDAY PERFORMING ARTS SERIES (CONT.)**  
at The Longboat Key Education Center

**FRIDAY AT FIVE**

*Enjoy great jazz in an intimate setting with amazing artists  
who will play and interact with the audience.*

*Happy Hour wine and cheese included in the price!*

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19 5 - 6:30 PM**

**PAF5 THOMAS CARABASI — SAMBA MEETS JAZZ**

*Thomas Carabasi, drums; Alejandro Arenas, bass; Zach Bornheimer, sax;  
LaRue Nickelson, guitar*

The impressive Samba Jazz Quartet will present a splendid concert of music in the tradition of Stan Getz, Antonio Carlos Jobim and others, where the sweet melodies and rhythms of Brazil are fused with the improvisation of jazz. You will enjoy songs by Jobim, Milton Nascimento and Manfredo Fest with a contemporary twist, as well as some original compositions and arrangements. Stories behind the making of this music will be shared.

**35TH ANNIVERSARY** *Champagne Celebrations*

*Help us celebrate 35 years of bringing you quality  
lifelong learning and adult enrichment!*

*Champagne included in the price!*

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12 3 - 4:30 PM**

**PAF6 ROMANCE ON THE RIVIERA**

*Joy Leitner, operatic soprano, musical theatre and popular music vocalist  
Robert Lischetti, operatic tenor, music director and teacher*

Start your Valentine's weekend with a trip on the Mediterranean Riviera through Italy and France listening to some of the world's most romantic music. Experience Napoli with classic Neapolitan song, tour Tuscany with Puccini, trek through the Alps with folk songs from the Auvergne and have a stroll through the French countryside with the lyrical poetry of Verlaine set by Faure and Debussy. Complete this delightful excursion with a grand night in Paris where you will stop by Maxim's to see Gigi and Gaston, raise a glass with Verdi and visit the Paris Opera, home of the famed Phantom, and much more!

***Sponsored by Sharon and Paul Steinwachs***

**FRIDAY, MARCH 12 3 - 4:30 PM**

**PAF7 WESTCOAST BLACK THEATRE TROUPE  
— A SURPRISE PERFORMANCE!**

*WBTT Performers*

Members of the WBTT will surprise us with a show that Nate Jacobs, WBTT founder and artistic director, will create and bring to us to celebrate our 35th anniversary! How special is that! Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe has become one of the most popular theatre groups in town with sold out shows and rave reviews every season. We sold out in a week last season with their Harlem Renaissance show!

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