

Artis—Naples

*Home of The Baker Museum
and the Naples Philharmonic*

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ARTIS—NAPLES ANNOUNCES ADDITIONAL 2020-21 SEASON CULTURAL OFFERINGS

Naples Philharmonic Classical and Pops Programming Added

Andrey Boreyko and Jack Everly Return

The Kingston Trio, Jodie DeSalvo and other presentations

NAPLES, FL (December 3, 2020) –Artis—Naples announced today additional programming through March 15, 2021, including the return of Andrey Boreyko to conduct the Naples Philharmonic for two performances. All activities will continue to include safety protocols, social distancing and the use of enhanced cleaning across the cultural campus to combat the spread of COVID-19.

Kathleen van Bergen, CEO and President of Artis—Naples, said, “Thanks to careful and innovative planning, thoughtful protocols and critical capital investments in safety equipment, Artis—Naples was able to safely reopen in October with a diverse slate of visual and performing arts programming. These last months have taught us a great deal about how we can share the visual and performing arts as safely as possible, and with that knowledge we are thrilled to be adding to our reimagined 2020-21 season with these offerings through mid-March.”

Naples Philharmonic

The Naples Philharmonic will return to a socially distanced Hayes Hall for two classical and two pops programs in February and March, including the return of Sharon and Timothy Ubben Music Director Andrey Boreyko to Hayes Hall for two performances with the Naples Philharmonic featuring Naples Philharmonic Assistant Principal Trumpet Ansel Norris on March 5 and 6. “We could not be more delighted to welcome Andrey back to Hayes Hall,” van Bergen said. “We have missed him, and we look forward to having him back on the podium for these very special concerts.” Another classical program on February 5 and 6 will feature renowned Russian pianist Vladimir Feltsman performing Mozart’s C Minor piano concerto in a concert conducted by Naples Philharmonic Associate Conductor Radu Paponiu.

Principal Pops Conductor Jack Everly will also return with *Jack’s Hollywood Favorites*, a program with the Naples Philharmonic performing a variety of Hollywood hits and featuring Naples Philharmonic musicians as soloists on February 19 and 20. The Naples Philharmonic will be joined by talented singer and pianist Tony DeSare for *Sinatra & Beyond* on March 12 and 13 conducted by Radu.

Sypert Salon and Wang Chamber Music Series concerts for the rest of the season will continue to be performed for a socially distanced audience on Hayes Hall stage and will include an additional 7pm performance on Sundays. Some repertoire changes have been made, but previously announced Sypert Salon Series guest artist Vladimir Feltsman is still scheduled to

appear on the February 14 and 16 programs. In addition, the Naples Philharmonic brass quintet will perform a special outdoor concert in Norris Garden on February 24.

Due to the ongoing social distancing and reduced capacity requirements of the CDC and the State of Florida, the previously announced Naples Philharmonic Masterworks and Pops series performances have been canceled through the end of the season.

Presentations, Naples Philharmonic Jazz Orchestra and Lifelong Learning

Presentations will also return to Hayes Hall beginning in January, including the ever-popular Piano Talk series with the esteemed local artist Jodie DeSalvo. Jodie brings her unique blend of insight and humor to classical and popular music in four programs between January and March, including her annual collaboration with Naples Philharmonic Concertmaster Glenn Basham on January 27 and 28.

Highlights of the Hayes Hall presentation schedule include the renowned folk and pop group, The Kingston Trio performing four concerts over two nights on February 26 and 27. Other programs include The PettyBreakers tribute to Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers on January 9, Tusk – The Ultimate Fleetwood Mac Tribute Band on January 12, and The Queen’s Cartoonists and their madcap accompaniments to classic and contemporary cartoons on January 14.

The Naples Philharmonic Jazz Orchestra and the All That Jazz Series will remain in Hayes Hall for the rest of the season. Guests will include legendary saxophonist Billy Harper on January 20 and rising guitar star Pasquale Grasso on February 10.

After the success of four Norris Garden film screenings during the Naples International Film Festival in October, the art of film will return to the cultural campus with an outdoor film screening in Norris Garden on February 21; details will be announced at a later date.

In addition to the previously announced Lifelong Learning programs, Joan Jacobs will continue her Art Talk series into mid-March with lectures on *Unexpected Art* on February 22 and *Marc Chagall* on March 15.

The Baker Museum

The Baker Museum, celebrating its 20th anniversary, currently features four stellar exhibitions including *Dreaming Forms: Chihuly Then and Now*, the third major Chihuly exhibition in the history of The Baker Museum, through February 28, 2021. *Rodin: Truth Form Life*, on view through April 4, 2021, showcases Auguste Rodin’s revolutionary contributions to the development of modern sculpture. *Subject Matters*, on view through July 2021, is drawn from The Baker Museum’s permanent collection and addresses subject matters commonly found in visual arts, including the Human Figure, the Home, Landscapes and Nonfigurative Abstraction. *Magritte: Reflections of Another World*, also on view through July 2021 comprises six paintings by Belgian artist René Magritte painted between 1932 and 1956 that are on a five-year loan to Artis—Naples and have never previously been shown in North America.

Additional Programming

Additional programming for the 2020-21 season will be announced at a later date and will include additional Naples Philharmonic performances, presentations and Lifelong Learning activities.

“We will continue to monitor the situation and look forward to announcing programming for the rest of the cultural season in the new year, including the spring exhibition season of The Baker Museum,” said van Bergen.

Safety Protocols

Artis—Naples will comply with guidance from Federal, state and local authorities and will be responsible and measured in decisions about public performances and events. As has been true since this public health crisis began, Artis—Naples' main priority remains the health and safety of patrons, musicians, team members, visiting artists, students and the wider community. Information on tickets, and details on safety protocols including face masks, temperature checks and social distancing, can be found at artisnaples.org.

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Home of The Baker Museum and the Naples Philharmonic, Artis—Naples is unique among cultural institutions nationwide, equally dedicated to both the visual and performing arts featuring artists of global distinction.

KIMBERLY K. QUERREY and LOUIS A. SIMPSON CULTURAL CAMPUS

Led by CEO and President Kathleen van Bergen and Sharon and Timothy Ubben Music Director Andrey Boreyko, we typically offer audiences more than 800 paid and free events annually within a variety of venues and settings situated throughout the 8.5-acre Kimberly K. Querrey and Louis A. Simpson Cultural Campus. Artis—Naples welcomes thousands of visitors each year for a broad array of artistic and educational opportunities perfect for audiences of all backgrounds and interests. The Kimberly K. Querrey and Louis A. Simpson Cultural Campus is home to five buildings, including two performance halls (Frances Pew Hayes Hall and Myra J. Daniels Pavilion), The Baker Museum, the Toni Stabile Education Building and the Kohan Administration Building.

In the 2014-15 season, Andrey Boreyko assumed the title of Music Director and serves in this capacity for Artis—Naples. Boreyko is internationally recognized as one of the most exciting and dynamic conductors working today. This appointment, extended through 2022, marks his first American post.

The Wall Street Journal says van Bergen and Boreyko have ushered in “an impressive new phase” for classical music in Southwest Florida.

NAPLES PHILHARMONIC

The Naples Philharmonic has long been recognized as one of the cornerstones of Southwest Florida's arts community. As part of Artis—Naples, the Naples Philharmonic typically performs more than 140 orchestral and chamber music concerts, as well as opera and ballet, education, community and special event concerts annually between September and June in the 1,477-seat Hayes Hall, the 283-seat Daniels Pavilion and around the Southwest Florida region.

Jack Everly is Principal Pops Conductor and in the 2020-21 season celebrates 11 years in this role, bringing pops performances that celebrate music in its many forms. In 2017, Romanian conductor Radu Paponiu was named Assistant Conductor of the Naples Philharmonic and director of the Naples Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, and in 2019 was promoted to Associate Conductor.

THE BAKER MUSEUM

The Baker Museum is one of the foremost fine art museums in Southwest Florida. The museum hosts several traveling exhibitions annually to complement installations of works from its permanent collection. Comprising more than 4,000 objects, the museum's broad holdings of 20th and 21st century art reflect the generosity and commitment of area collectors. Of particular strength are The Baker Museum's collections of American and Mexican modern art and significant gifts from the personal collection of Olga Hirshhorn.

With almost two decades of collecting and exhibiting, the museum is dedicated to stewardship and scholarship from both its growing permanent collection and outside sources. At the same time, The Baker Museum seeks out the best traveling exhibitions from the leading arts institutions in the world—including recently the Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art,

Smithsonian Institutions and École des Beaux-Arts, Paris—to enrich the Southwest Florida community.

The Baker Museum exhibitions reopened to the public on December 1, 2019, after being closed for more than two years in the wake of Hurricane Irma. The repair of the museum was paired with a simultaneous expansion of the building to the south, which created new spaces for multidisciplinary exploration and social interaction.

EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY

In addition to creating and presenting visual and performing arts, Artis—Naples provides robust education and community activities for students of all ages. Typically, thousands of Collier County Public Schools interact with Artis—Naples education programming each year both on its cultural campus and in classrooms. The Lifelong Learning program provides engaging lectures and study opportunities for adults seeking to engage more deeply with the arts.

The Friends of Artis—Naples, with more than 4,000 households who give more than \$75, offers activities, travel experiences and events geared toward creating a deeper relationship between patrons and the arts.

In 2017, Artis—Naples acquired the Naples International Film Festival (NIFF), expanding its film offerings and providing a platform for the festival's continued excellence and growth. In 2018, NIFF celebrated its tenth year in the community, and in 2019, NIFF was named one of *MovieMaker* Magazine's Top 25 Coolest Film Festivals in the World.

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