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Opera at Florham Brings Opera to Chatham



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Gil Scott Chapman is a classically trained jazz pianist from Westfield, New Jersey. He began his classical music studies at the tender age of 7 and won many classical piano competitions. He is a graduate of the Interlochen Arts Academy (2008) and earned his B.F.A. (Jazz Studies) and Master of Music (Improvisation) from the University of

Michigan in Ann Arbor.

He has performed in concerts and festivals; venues such as Carnegie Hall, the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.; the Monterey Jazz Festival (California); and the Montreux Jazz Festival (Switzerland

Along with The University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre & Dance, Gil entered into a long-term partnership with the Gershwin family to undertake a two-part initiative that will bring the music of George and Ira Gershwin to students, scholars, performers and audiences across campus and worldwide.



A graduate of Montclair State University's John J. Cali School of Music, **Mia Pafumi** made her professional opera debut in both the chorus of the Sarasota Opera, and as a principal artist at the Knoxville Opera. She studied overseas at the Conservatorio Giuseppe Verdi di Musica in Milan, Italy and her recent performance

venues include the Cali School's 10th anniversary *Carmina Burana* at the Alexander Kasser Theater in Montclair conducted by Dr. Heather J. Buchanan and the Opera Orchestra of New York's production of *Parisina d'Este* as Imelda under the baton of Maestra Eve Queler at Jazz at Lincoln Center. She was the 3rd place winner of the Gerda Lissner Foundation's 2015 International Vocal Competition and a 2nd time grant winner of the Licia Albanese- Puccini Foundation's 2014 and 2015 International Vocal Competition where she performed in the Winner's Concert at Carnegie Hall. The New York Times describes Pafumi as a "pert and vibrant soprano."

MUSICAL PROGRAM

"Prendi, per me sei libero" from *L'elisir d'amore* by Gaetano Donizetti

"Si, mi chiamano Mimì" from *La Bohème* by Giacomo Puccini

The Barcarolle in F sharp major by Frederic Chopin

"Regnava nel silenzio" from *Lucia di Lammermoor* by Gaetano Donizetti

"O mio babbino caro" from *Gianni Schicchi* by Giacomo Puccini

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"If I were a bell" from Guys and Dolls by Frank Loesser

"What I did for love" from *A Chorus Line* by Marvin Hamlisch

Gershwin medley arranged by Gil Scott Chapman

"Someone to Watch Over Me" from *Crazy for You* by Ira Gershwin

"Song of Songs" (Chanson de Coer Brise) by Moya



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April 14, 2019 A Tribute to Opera Legend Licia Albanese

May 5, 2019 31^s Annual International Vocal Competition and Musicale Honoring Violetta DuPont



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