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DRANOFF PRESENTS "DRANOFF'S 29th SEASON"

The Dranoff presents the program for its 29th Season.

On Sunday, January 10th, 2016 at Noon, Dranoff 2 Piano presents Dranoff Competition Winners, Duo Bergmann, at the Coral Gables Art Cinema, in a concert titled "Dranoff Goes to the Movies." The program encompasses Film Scores for 2 Pianos, and features Classics from Western films, Gershwin Musicals and the well-known *Tubular Bells* theme from "The Exorcist."

On Sunday, February 21st, 2016 at 7:30pm, Dranoff 2 Piano presents Dranoff Gold Medal Winners Duo Turgeon, at the New World Center in Miami Beach, in a concert titled "2 Pianos Loves Latin." The concert will feature the music of Piazzolla, Lecuona and Ginastera, as well as the world-premiere of the 2016 "Bacardi Choice" Jazz Commission for Dranoff by Grammy-nominee, Cuban jazz pianist and composer, Manuel Valera, in a work for two pianos titled *Migrant Voyage*. The "Bacardi Choice" Dranoff Commission is a corporate-sponsored commission of a new work for 2 pianos by a young, Latin-American composer.

On Tuesday, March 22nd, 2016 at 8pm, Duo d'Accord, Gold Medal Dranoff Competition Winners, will be performing well-loved and renowned Classics of the 2-piano repertoire at the Coral Gables Congregational Church, in a concert titled "2 Piano Classical Classics." The repertoire will feature the music of Mozart, Liszt and Prokofiev, as well as the 2008 Dranoff Competition commission, Sir Richard Rodney Bennett's *Lilliburlero Variations* for two pianos.

Co-presented by the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County, on Wednesday, April 13th, 2016 at 7:30pm, Piano SLAM 8 is a Classical, Contemporary, Hip-hop and Spoken Word extravaganza, featuring Miami's Young Poets of the Piano SLAM Competition, on stage at the Knight Concert Hall, directed by Teo Castellanos, to the music of Duo pianists Maarten van Veen and Bobby Mitchell, and the beats of DJ Brimstone 127.

Single tickets for the January 10th, February 14th and March 22nd events are \$35 for General Admission, \$50 for VIP Seating with pre-concert reception, and \$5 for Students (with ID). The Piano SLAM 8 event at the Arsht is FREE to the Public (TICKETS REQUIRED); \$75 for VIP Seating with After Party. For tickets and more information, visit www.Dranoff2Piano.org or call 305-572-9900.

Dranoff International 2 Piano Foundation, Miami's Gateway to the World of Music

For 29 years, the Dranoff International 2 Piano Foundation has been the world's leading organization to champion exclusively two piano repertoire and artistry. It is the only international foundation, accredited by the World Federation of International Music Competitions, to discover, promote, and award honors to top professional duo piano artists through its competition, commissions, and presentations of duo piano concerts. The Dranoff promotes awareness to a new generation of students of the transformational power of music and the arts through its multi-disciplinary, educational, and inspirational concert program, Piano Slam.

The Dranoff is one of the few world-class performing arts organizations headquartered in Miami-Dade County, whose activities span the globe and create recognition abroad of the region's positive image and commitment to the highest standards of creativity and the arts.

Dranoff also promotes Miami's City and County as an international cultural destination. It exposes its home audiences to major international artists, thereby creating a cultural bridge to foster universal understanding and respect through music.