



**2019 SEASON CONCERT PROGRAM
EXTRAVAGANT BAROQUE -- STRAVAGANZE BAROCHE
MUSICA BAROCCA STRAVAGANTE**

All concerts held at St. George's Anglican Church in Venice unless otherwise noted.

MARCH 2019

SUNDAY, 3 MARCH AT 5pm

*INAUGURATION CONCERT - MUSIC ON THE GRAND CANAL
VENETIAN GONDOLA SONGS*

Traditional Venetian songs, anonymously written by famous composers of the 16th and 17th century, transport you back to a different time!

Music by Anonymous, A. Vivaldi

Fabiano Martignago, Flute

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Michele Fracasso, Tenor

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SUNDAY, 10 MARCH AT 5pm

WOMEN IN MUSIC -- CONCERT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Venice Music Project celebrates women with music by our favorite female composers for the International Women's Day.

Music by B. Strozzi, A. Bembo, E. Jacquet de la Guerre.

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SUNDAY, 17 MARCH AT 5pm

CONCERT FOR EVERY TYPE OF FLUTE

Airs, dances, and variations from Venice and Europe between the Renaissance and Baroque periods, played on any and every flute you can imagine!

Music by D. Ortiz, J. Sweelink, J. Dowland, C. Monteverdi, F. Cavalli, and others

Stefano Bet, Flutes (Traverso, flauti diritti, fiffari)

SUNDAY, 24 MARCH AT 5PM

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, BACH!

Free concert in collaboration with [Bach in the Subways](#).

Music by J.S. Bach

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble



SUNDAY, 31 MARCH AT 5pm

HEAVENLY FURY -- VIVALDI'S SACRED MOTETS

The glorious lushness of two sacred motets by A. Vivaldi in contrasting styles, and instrumental music.

Music by A. Vivaldi

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

APRIL 2019

SATURDAY, 6 APRILE at 7pm

SUNDAY, 7 APRIL at 5pm

THE VOICE OF THE CELLO

Venice Music Project is pleased to feature the sweet sounds of the baroque cello in an all-new program of music by the great Venetian masters.

Music by G. Gabrielli, A. Scarlatti, A. Vivaldi.

Gioele Gusberti, Cello

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SATURDAY, 13 APRILE at 7pm

SUNDAY, 14 APRIL at 5pm

BACK TO BACH: VIOLA DA GAMBA

Sonatas for viola da gamba and harpsichord obbligato, and arias for contralto, written by the great composer Johann Sebastian Bach.

Rosita Ippolito, Viola da gamba

Marija Jovanovic, Harpsichord

Elena Biscuola, Contralto

Venice Music Project Ensemble

WEDNESDAY, 17 APRILE at 7pm

LEÇONS DE TÉNÈBRES

This year, we are thrilled to present the Tenebrae by Marc-Antoine Charpentier, a predecessor of Francois Couperin.

Music by M.A. Charpentier, M. Marais.

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Johanna von der Decken, Mezzo-Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble



SUNDAY, 21 APRIL at 7.30pm

EASTER SUNDAY

REQUIEM DI N. JOMMELLI

In its first performance in Venice since the 1700's! Nicolo' Jommelli's Requiem was his most famous composition, and was the most widely-beloved requiem of the 18th-century – supplanted only by Mozart in the 19th century.

Music by N. Jommelli

Timothy Brown, Conductor

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Johanna von der Decken, Mezzo-Soprano

Michele Fracasso, Tenor

Claudio Pistolato, Bass

Edesse Ensemble, Justine Rappaccioli maestro del coro

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SATURDAY, 27 APRILE at 7pm

SUNDAY, 28 APRIL at 5pm

BACK TO BACH: VIOLIN Part I

Sonatas for violin and harpsichord obbligato, and arias for soprano written by the great composer Johann Sebastian Bach.

Andrea Ferroni, Violin

Marija Jovanovic, Harpsichord

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

MAY 2019

SATURDAY, 4 MAY AT 7pm

SUNDAY, 5 MAY AT 7pm

AMORE - AMOUR: A MUSICAL VOYAGE FROM VENICE TO FRANCE

Venice Music Project invites you to join us on a musical voyage from Venice to France, exploring the great music of both republics.

Chamber Music by B. Strozzi, A. Bembo, E. Jacquet de la Guerre, M. Lambert

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble



SATURDAY, 11 MAY AT 7pm

SUNDAY, 12 MAY AT 7pm

A MUSICAL VOYAGE FROM VENICE TO LONDON

Venice Music Project invites you to join us on a musical journey from Venice to London, exploring the great music of both cities.

Chamber Music by H. Purcell, J. Dowland, G.F. Handel

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SATURDAY, 18 MAY AT 7pm

SUNDAY, 19 MAY AT 7pm

BACK TO BACH: BAROQUE FLUTE -- IL FLAUTO TRAVERSO Part I

Sonatas for Baroque flute and harpsichord, and cantatas and arias for soprano written by the great composer Johann Sebastian Bach.

Stefano Bet, Flute

Marija Jovanovic, Harpsichord

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SATURDAY, 25 MAY AT 7pm

SUNDAY, 26 MAY AT 7pm

RARE CONCERTOS FOR HARPSICHORD AND ORCHESTRA

Rare concertos for harpsichord and orchestra featuring works by Wilhelmine von Bayreuth, the Princess of the Kingdom of Prussia and C.P.E Bach.

Music by W. von Bayreuth, C.Ph.E. Bach

Marija Jovanovic, Harpsichord

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

JUNE 2019

SATURDAY, 1 JUNE AT 7pm

BAROQUE AND BEYOND

A musical look at the Chamber Music of Mozart, his contemporaries, and the next generation, arriving from the Baroque perspective.

Music by W.A. Mozart, J. Haydn, L. van Beethoven

Liesl Odenweller, soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble



SATURDAY, 8 JUNE AT 7pm

VIVALDI, VIVALDI, VIVALDI!

Arias for soprano and instrumental music by Venice's most-beloved composer.

Liesl Odenweller, soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SATURDAY, 15 JUNE AT 7pm

MUSIC ON THE GRAND CANAL -- CANZONI DA BATTELLO

Traditional Venetian songs, anonymously written by famous composers of the 16th and 17th century, transport you back to a different time!

Music by Anonymous, A. Vivaldi

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Elena Biscuola, Contralto

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SATURDAY, 22 JUNE AT 7pm

HIDDEN TREASURES FROM THREE FORGOTTEN MANUSCRIPTS

Three beautiful manuscripts from a library in Venice include many musical gems not heard in 400 years, presented in collaboration with musicologist Prof. Marica Tacconi of Penn State University.

Music by F. Cavalli, A. Cesti, F. Durante, A. Melani, and others.

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SATURDAY, 29 JUNE AT 7pm

MUSICAL RIVALS IN VENICE

A musical competition between the great composers, Vivaldi, Hasse, e Jommelli.

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SEPTEMBER 2019

SATURDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER at 7pm

SUNDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER at 7pm

CASANOVA'S VENICE

Arias for soprano and instrumental music. Take yourself back in time by listening to the music of Casanova's friends and companions!

Music by B. Marcello, A. Vivaldi, J.A. Hasse

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble



SATURDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER at 7pm

SUNDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER at 7pm

O ENVIOUS DAY

Canadian tenor and theorbist Bud Roach presents an intimate concert of airs from England and Italy on the theme of nighttime pleasures and the passage of time, with music by H. and W. Lawes, J. Wilson, M. Cazzati, D. Melli, and T. Merula.

Bud Roach, Tenor and theorbo

SATURDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER at 7pm

SUNDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER at 7pm

HIDDEN TREASURES -- AMOR PRIGGIONIERO

Spend a delightful evening in the forests of Delos with Amor and Diana! We repropose the witty serenata by G. Bonno, transcribed by Carlo Steno Rossi and presented for the first time in modern day during Season 2015.

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Elena Biscuola, Contralto

Carlo Steno Rossi, Harpsichord

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SATURDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER at 7pm

SUNDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER at 7pm

A JOURNEY WITH NYMPHS AND SHEPHERDS

Cantatas by T. Albinoni for contralto and ensemble. Join us in a simpler time, when nymphs and shepherds frolicked and fell in love.

Music by T. Albinoni

Elena Biscuola, Contralto

Venice Music Project Ensemble

OCTOBER 2019

SATURDAY, 5 OCTOBER AT 7pm

SUNDAY, 6 OCTOBER AT 5pm

THE SWEET SOUND of the BAROQUE FLUTE

Cantatas by Hasse, Porpora, Stradella; arias and pieces for flute and ensemble from our Hidden Treasures. Musical Archaeology has predominated our 2019 Season, and we are happy to share with you some of the manuscripts we have found for solo flute, soprano, and ensemble.

Stefano Bet, Traverse flute

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble



SATURDAY, 12 OCTOBER AT 7pm

SUNDAY, 13 OCTOBER AT 5pm

NITTETI - HIDDEN TREASURES: AN ARIA SEARCHING FOR ITS COMPOSER!

Music by J.A. Hasse and our mystery composer.

During our recent Musical Archaeology, we discovered an aria without a composer! We hope to discover who wrote it, but who knows? And you are hearing this in its first performance in over 300 years!

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SATURDAY, 19 OCTOBER AT 7pm

SUNDAY, 20 OCTOBER AT 5pm

DUELLING HARPSICHORDS

Concertos for solo and two harpsichords.

Music by J.S. Bach.

Marija Jovanovic, Harpsichord

Marco Vincenzi, Harpsichord

SATURDAY, 26 OCTOBER AT 7pm

SUNDAY, 27 OCTOBER AT 5pm

BACK TO BACH: BAROQUE FLUTE - PART II

We conclude this season's cycle of Bach's concertos for solo instrument and harpsichord obbligato. Stefano Bet will charm your ears!

Music by J.S. Bach

Stefano Bet, Traverse Flute

Venice Music Project Ensemble

NOVEMBER 2019

SUNDAY, 3 NOVEMBER AT 5pm

VIVALDI, VIVALDI, VIVALDI! And More!

As we prepare for our first US Tour, we share with you a program of some of Vivaldi's best arias and concertos that we will be sharing with our audiences there. A couple of other favorite Venetian composers will probably sneak in too!

Music by A. Vivaldi

Liesl Odenweller, Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble



SUNDAY, 10 NOVEMBER AT 5pm

HIDDEN TREASURES -- CHAMBER MUSIC FROM LOST MANUSCRIPTS

More Musical Archaeology! We are just overflowing with incredible lost manuscripts, and we want to share them with you when we perform them for the first time in modern day.

Music by A. Vivaldi and others

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SUNDAY, 17 NOVEMBER AT 5pm

THE VOICE OF VENICE

To celebrate her 400th birthday, we present music by Baroque composer and singer Barbara Strozzi.

Elena Biscuola, Contralto

Venice Music Project Ensemble

SUNDAY, 24 NOVEMBER AT 5pm

FINAL CONCERT Season 2019 -- LOVE AND DESPAIR

We close our Season 2019 with a program dedicated to love and despair -- guaranteed to leave you looking forward to our 2020 Season!

Music by A. Vivaldi, G.F. Haendel

Johanna von der Deken, Mezzo-Soprano

Venice Music Project Ensemble

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