

# GULFSHORE OPERA

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## An intimate evening: *Intertwining classical melodies and sophisticated ballet*



**Song and Dance returns on January 21st!**

GO Artists join forces with Gulfshore Ballet (SWFL's premier not-for-profit school of Classical Ballet) for an intimate evening of beautiful song and dance. The performance, held at the ballet studio, provides a preview of memorable moments from GO upcoming productions of *The Barber of Seville* and *Don Giovanni* with interpretive dance by the

Gulfshore Ballet Studio ballerinas. The Gulfshore Ballet dancers will conclude the event with a dance finale from the musical *Aida*.

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**Song and Dance**  
**Saturday, January 21st | 7pm**  
**Gulfshore Ballet Studio**

Standard Tickets: \$50

Premium Tickets: \$100\*

\*Premium ticket holders enjoy a VIP cocktail reception with hors d'oeuvres and wine beginning at 6:30pm.

Proceeds from the VIP reception will benefit Gulfshore Ballet.

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***Meet the 2023 Artists***



Recognized for her grace and warmth of tone, soprano **Catherine Ortega Spitzer** is an accomplished performer based in South Florida. Previous operatic credits include Penelope Ann in *Penelope Ann's Revenge* (World Premiere), Mimì in *La Bohème*, Rosalinda in *Die Fledermaus*, La Contessa di Folleville in *Il viaggio a Reims*, Die Königin der Nacht in *Die Zauberflöte*, Le

Feu in Ravel's *L'enfant et les sortilèges*, Pamina in *The Magic Flute*, Fiordiligi in *Così Fan Tutte*.

**Minghao Liu** is an emerging *leggero* tenor hailed for his easy and powerful high notes and well-polished bel canto vocal lines. He studied at Donetsk S.S. Prokofiev Music Conservatory of Ukraine in 2009, where he got his Bachelor and Master- degrees in vocal performance. In 2019, he appeared in Miami Classical Music Festival (MMF) by performing the Tamino in Mozart's *Die zauberflöte* where South Florida Classical Music Review states: "Liu produced tones with an easy lyricism, bringing gleaming notes to the upper register".

**Stephanie Doche**, who is among today's rising star mezzo sopranos, is praised for her "distinctive lower voice" (Opera News) "richly colored mezzo" (South Florida Classical Review) and "explosively elegant" stage presence (Memphis Flyer). A singing actress of outstanding technical and interpretive skill, Ms. Doche has starred in leading roles nationwide, distinguishing herself in diverse styles and repertoire. She will make her role debut as Rosina in *The Barber of Seville* with GO in February.

**Click here** for more information on the Artists!

### ***Here's what you can expect:***



In 2019, GO artists performed French mélodie and scenes from Bernstein's *West Side Story* while Gulfshore Ballet Studio ballerinas interpreted the music through dance.



Soprano, Camille Ortiz sings "Ouvre ton coeur" by Georges Bizet



Gulfshore Ballet is Southwest Florida's premier not-for-profit school of Classical Ballet, lead by Artistic Directors,

Franklin Gamero and Iliana Lopez. The school has an internationally acclaimed teaching faculty and offers area students the unique opportunity to study with professional instructors of the highest caliber. The training at Gulfshore Ballet combines Cuban, American, and Russian technique and brings a quality of excellence not normally found outside major metropolitan cities. Top graduates of Gulfshore Ballet now dance with prestigious ballet companies across the country,

including the Arizona Ballet, Tulsa Ballet, Sarasota Ballet, The Parsons Dance Project in NYC, Royal Danish Ballet and Milwaukee Ballet.

## Check out more of our upcoming events!



January 18th | 7pm  
Porsche Naples

On tour January 19th - February  
4th in various locations

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January 26th | 7pm  
Daniels Pavilion at Artis—Naples

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