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**Maestro Bryan Tari plays
Star Wars Piano Medley and other Cinema Classics**

with special guest Lyric Soprano Jessica McKenzie

Sunday, March 12, 2023 at 3 PM

Santa Barbara, March 1, 2023 – Maestro Bryan Tari plays *Star Wars* Piano Medley and other Cinema Classics, with special guest Lyric Soprano Jessica McKenzie, on Sunday, March 12, 2023 at 3 PM. Virtuoso Tari has created a symphonic arrangement of *Star Wars* themes into a captivating medley, which he has performed at the Lobero Theatre to standing ovations since 2017. He has now assembled the perfect show of memorable movie music, performing his exceptional arrangements of songs and themes from some of the greatest films of all time, including a medley of *Godfather* themes arranged for piano. As a guest performer, Lyric Soprano Jessica McKenzie will be accompanied by Mr. Tari on the piano, singing songs that were featured in famous movies over the last century. Join us to experience a high-level musical journey with two highly accomplished musicians. A delightful family event for those looking to escape into a world of magical cinema rhapsody.

As a young, classically trained pianist, Tari opened the 1984 Olympics playing *Rhapsody in Blue*, then went on to become a performer and recording artist. After receiving a Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance from CSU Northridge, Tari studied opera piano with Lawrence Wong and Warren Jones, then opera conducting with world-renowned conductor Henry Holt, who started the Los Angeles Opera. In 2000, Tari began performing world class concerts to sold out audiences in major venues. He specializes in the Romantic period, particularly in Chopin and Liszt, and is an expert in all genres of music from baroque to contemporary.

Lyric Soprano Jessica McKenzie received her Master's Degree at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music in Vocal Performance in 2020 while studying under renowned soprani Marnie Breckenridge and Frederica von Stade. She has studied the roles of Susanna and Contessa from *Le Nozze di Figaro*, Pamina from *Die Zauberflöte*, Lauretta from *Gianni Schicchi*, Rosalinda from *Die Fledermaus*, Leonora from *Il Trovatore*, and has premiered a new work by Scott Joiner as the title role of Heidi in *The Shower*. Additionally, she has hosted events for audiences in Italy, Austria, California, Alabama, Massachusetts, and private country clubs. During her free time, Jessica provides free music education through her Youtube channel, Soprano Notes, and creates opportunities to bring classical music to her hometown of Ventura County.

Tickets for Maestro Bryan Tari, with special guest Jessica McKenzie, are on sale now at Lobero.org and at the Lobero Box Office 805.963.0761. \$36 VIP, \$22 Section A, \$14 Section B. (Ticket prices include a per ticket Lobero Facility Fee; other fees may also apply.)

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