

Providing communities with the rich gifts of the arts—virtuosic, playful and illuminating



American Tapestry:

Where music, art, and life meet is a concert full of life, sensitivity, and warmth. Internationally renowned flutist, Donna Wissinger and electrifying pianist, Joy Myers, partner to present a dynamic evening. These two artists communicate as one musical mind to give audiences the rare treat of superb musicianship and joyful collaboration.

Start toe tapping with a good ole western hoedown and immigrate to hip swaying *I want to be in America* and audiences are on their way to an entertaining all-American evening of sight and sound.

Instruments: 14 K gold flute, your best concert grand piano, our porch board base, accordion, Native flutes, fifes, and piccolos. Our kazoos with your exuberant kazoo playing, foot stomping, hand clapping audience.

Who: 2 women. Seems like 20! And your fun loving and eager audience of all ages! For families with children, we suggest an hour program to ensure everyone's pleasure.

What: A concert of sight and sound* that weaves virtuosity, high art, humor, never too old favorites, nostalgia and neat to know facts. Beautiful art and accurate illustrations of typical Americans by Homer, Cassatt and Rockwell add visual dimension to delightful sound. The more to see and hear the better!

From the initial dream of religious freedom captured in *Simple Gifts* of *Appalachian Spring* renown, the ragged rhythms of Scott Joplin awakened artistic freedoms that influenced Gershwin and Mancini. Did you hear a drum? The porch board base replaces original piano kicking music much to our presenters' relief! Head south to sultry *Summertime* (this from a city slickin' New Yorker?) and cats that just won't die. Music boiling with the pulse of women's suffrage and the struggles of the industrial age are humorously wed to virtuosic expressions of the driving power of humans and machines. Love songs, work songs and songs of a national identity weave an American Tapestry that culminates in *The Stars and Stripes Forever*.

*Paintings optional in program but surely appreciated by audiences

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Donna Wissinger has been hailed as 'a flutist of rare gifts' by the New York Times. Her acclaimed solo recitals include the mainstages of Carnegie Hall and the renowned Glinka Capella as well as concert tours of Europe, the USA, and Asia.

"The capacity crowd was on its feet instantly. This dynamic duo lit up the audience like fireworks on the 4th of July!" Community Day
~Appleton Museum of Art, Ocala, FL, 2009

"Come prepared to laugh, to learn, and to love this concert!"
~Daily Sun

"These artists wove Tapestry with enthusiasm, humor, depth and beauty. Without being informal, the evening had a feeling of close knit personal relationship."
~Piedmont College, Demorest, GA