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PIANO SHOWCASE AT THE TOWER ON MARCH 16

Tickets are on sale now for *Piano Showcase at the Tower* on March 16. Featuring acclaimed classical pianist **Sean Chen** and boogie-woogie pianist **Arthur Migliazza**, this multi-genre event celebrates the versatility and virtuosity of the piano. Both returning favorites, the two award-winning pianists will share the stage in genre-bending duo and solo performances, both composed and improvised. All Piano Showcase ticketholders are also invited to an interactive experience with the performers on the Tower stage the afternoon of March 16.

Sean Chen is a genius at displaying the virtuosity and versatility of the piano. An award-winning classical pianist (Cliburn International Piano Competition, American Pianists Awards), Chen is also in demand for creative collaborations and commissions. His exceptional transcriptions for the piano range from Beethoven's 9th Symphony to video game music and everything in between. Chen's musical flexibility is a perfect fit for this event's emphasis on the uniqueness of blending genres. Currently Artist-in-Residence at the University of Missouri-Kansas City Conservatory, he continues to appear in solo and concerto performances throughout the United States and has been featured with the Sunriver Music Festival Orchestra several times.

Arthur Migliazza began playing the piano professionally at the age of 13 and quickly came under the wing of esteemed mentors/teachers such as Henry Butler, Ann Rabson and Mr. B. He has been inducted into the Arizona Blues Hall of Fame, was a finalist at the 2010 and 2014 International Blues Challenge in Memphis, TN, and in his 30+ years of performing has played on some of the world's greatest stages, including Tchaikovsky Hall in Moscow as part of the sold-out Kings of Boogie Tour, Birdland Jazz Club in New York City, Benaroya Hall in Seattle, as well as on National Public Radio in the US. Arthur was a featured performer at Sunriver Music Festival's first three Piano Showcase events and his return for this 6th annual is greatly anticipated.

Visit sunrivermusic.org for tickets to March 16's **Piano Showcase at the Tower.**

Sunriver Music Festival is a year-round nonprofit presenting world-class orchestral performances and supporting music education throughout Central Oregon. Through a commitment to excellence, collaboration and innovation, the Festival seeks to foster a lifelong love of classical music in its many diverse forms. Visit <u>sunrivermusic.org</u> for more information.