

Music Travel through Dante's Places

The master Raffaello Bellavista pianist, opera singer, composer and the singer and stylist Serena Gentilini were invited by an important cultural Association Si Sweden-Italy to realize a documentary-concert about their musical project linked to the Italian poet Dante Alighieri.

In the future the two artists will come to Sweden when the Covid situation will get better.

This concert recreates in music the travel from Hell to Heaven described in *Divina Commedia*.

The tickets are sold on Ticketmaster and the concert will be transmitted by streaming on the platform LIVE ALL.

The concert will be seen all around Europe and in particular in Italy and Sweden.

In the documentary-concert viewers will be able to see incredible places:

a particular auditorium on the hillside of Rimini inside Tenuta Biodinamica Mara, and for the discursive part lots of the most important historical places: the Tomb of Dante Alighieri, the "Classense" Library, the Municipality of Ravenna, the peninsula of Boscoforte...

The musical part will be divided in three parts:

- **Hell:** that will be described with the "Dante Sonata" of Liszt for piano and 2 opera arias from "Don Giovanni" of Mozart.
- **Purgatory:** that will be described with the famous "Moonlight Sonata" of Beethoven which contains inside it a reworked theme from "Don Giovanni".
- **Heaven:** it is focused on 5 crossover compositions which goes from classical music to pop music.

The protagonist in this last part (Heaven) will be the singer and stylist Serena Gentilini that will sing songs linked with the essence of Heaven and love.

The songs proposed with crossover arrangements will be: "Ain't no sunshine" by Bill Withers, "Knockin' on Heaven's Door" by Bob Dylan, "Eden" op.2 by Bellavista, "Notturmo a Venezia" op.1 composed in honor of the last travel in Venice from Dante.

The high quality footage was directed and largely made by the two artists with the new generation devices that will make the experience totally immersive and innovative.

Also fashion is included in this musical artwork, as all the clothes worn by the two artists during the performance has been made by Serena Gentilini, and they are symbolically linked to the three realms of Dante chromatically.

Serena will be wearing a dress inspired by the figure of Beatrice into Heaven. The last piece of the concert will be an homage to the Swedish DJ Avicii who composed Heaven inspired by Dante's masterpiece when he came to Italy to study it.

Another important homage to the Swedish audience will be the showing of the Swedish version of *Divina Commedia* from the legendary collection by Leo S.Olschki, the most rare and complete collection of first editions of work of Dante Alighieri.

The important initiative is sponsored by the Municipality of Ravenna, the region Emilia-Romagna, Secretary of ministry of cultural heritage and tourism of Emilia Romagna, SIAE, SI Sweden Italy Association.

