

Gloriosa Trio on Fripp

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The Fripp Island Friends of Music will host the Gloriosa Trio on Sunday, February 26. Gloriosa, the beautiful flame lily, is an apt name for a trio that never fails to fire up an audience. Pianist Yoonie Han, violinist Jennifer Carsillo, and cellist Kevin Bate are experienced musicians with a passion for collaboration, carefully crafted thematic programs and exuberant performances. They have received rave reviews from audiences and critics around the country for their musical imagination and feel for complex structures. And they have probably gotten many bouquets of flame lilies to boot.

South Korean pianist Yoonie Han made her debut with the Seoul Philharmonic at age 13. She has since performed with famous orchestras all over Europe and North America, enchanting audiences in such illustrious venues as Lincoln Center, Concertgebouw in Amsterdam and Salle Cortot in Paris.

In between concerts, Ms. Han managed to receive a Bachelor's degree from the Curtis Institute of Music and a Master of Music degree from The Juilliard School, and she is completing her Doctorate at SUNY Stony Brook.

Needless to say, Ms. Han has been a first-prize winner at competitions all over the world. She was honored with the Gawon Music Award as the "most brilliant pianist aged 17 to 31 of any nationality who possesses the most promising potential for global prominence."

Violinist Jennifer Carsillo is a native of the San Francisco Bay Area, where she was introduced to the violin in public school. Her passion for music led her to the Oberlin Conservatory, to the Tanglewood Music Center, and to Indiana University for her Master's

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Ms. Carsillo has appeared in recitals and as a soloist with major orchestras in North America and Europe. Recently, she performed at New York City's Harvard Club with the Gloriosas, and joined the chart-topping artist Simone Dinnerstein in a performance of Bach's C minor Sonata for Violin and Piano.

Her performances include collaborations with her husband, conductor Michael Buttermann, with her sister Lori Carsillo for her album *Jazz Lullabies for Little Dreamers*, and with virtuosos such as violinist Vadim Gluzman, pianist Van Cliburn and Parisian harpist Isabelle Perrin. An advocate of new music, Jennifer has premiered works of up-and-coming composers, lately a trio written for her by Gregory Robin.

Cellist Kevin Bate is an impressive soloist and chamber musician. He has performed as principal cellist and as featured soloist with several prominent philharmonic orchestras in Europe and North America, and has given recitals on both continents.

A native of Milwaukee, Kevin began playing cello at age nine. At the University of Wisconsin, he was awarded the distinguished Madison Music scholarship. He also studied at the Musikhochschule in Freiburg, Germany. Mr. Bate holds a Performance Diploma from the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University, and an undergraduate degree from DePauw University with honors, along with a Performance Certificate and the Music Performance Award.

Mr. Bate is also a champion of contemporary music and has recorded several new compositions, including, as a member of the Kuttner Quartet, the winning piece of Indiana University's composition competition: a string quartet by Joseph Sheehan.

Come and hear the sensational Gloriosa Trio on Sunday, February 26, at 5:00 pm, at the Fripp Island Community Center, 205 Tarpon Boulevard. Tickets at the door: adults \$25, students free, thanks to the Peg Gorham Memorial Fund. You get a free pass at the Fripp gate and are invited to join the musicians at a catered reception. For more information, visit www.frippfriendsofmusic.com or call 843-263-5916.