

20th Annual "CHRISTMAS IN ITALY®" Show NYC Starring Award-winning Singer/PBS-TV host CRISTINA FONTANELLI

*20th-annual charity concert highlighting
World Peace preserves the songs of Italy
and Christmas and gives American and
Ukrainian youth performance
opportunities*

NEW YORK CITY, NY, UNITED STATES,
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-- CRISTINA FONTANELLI, award-
winning singer/actor and PBS/-TV host
for Andrea Bocelli, along with world-
class musicians/guest tenor, and
American and Ukrainian youth will
perform Italy's best-loved songs, arias,
Neapolitan and Christmas classics in

Cristina Fontanelli's 20th Annual "Christmas in Italy®" charitable concert at the Merkin Concert at the Kaufman Center, 129 West 67th Street, NYC (www.kaufmanmusiccenter.org) on Saturday, December 2 at 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tickets: 63.50 (General), \$52.50 (Seniors); \$48.00 (Balcony) and \$35 (Children under 14) are available thru the Box Office: (212) 501-3330 or on-

line:

<https://www.kaufmanmusiccenter.org/mch/series/cristina-fontanellis-20th-annual-christmas-in-italy/> Call the office of The Cristina Fontanelli Foundation Inc. (212) 967-1926 for more information/group tickets and VIP front orchestra tickets..

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[HEADLINE]: "Cristina
Fontanelli, Preserving Values
Through Opera,"
The Epoch Times



20th-annual Christmas in Italy®
Merkin Hall at the Kaufman Center
129 West 67th St, NYC 10023 (Betw Amsterdam & Bdwy)
Starring Award-winning Singer/
PBS-TV Host for Andrea Bocelli
Cristina Fontanelli
"Vocal Genius" - The NY SUN
SAT DEC 2, 2023
2:30 pm & 7:30 pm
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20th-annual "Christmas in Italy®" Poster

Program includes Italian songs: Torna a Surriento, Mamma and Ave Maria, plus Christmas classics such as the traditional Italian carol Tu scendi dalle stelle and White Christmas; operatic selections from La Boheme and La Traviata; guitar/mandolin solos such as the Godfather Theme and the traditional Ukrainian Christmas carol Carol of the Bells. Dances include We are Ukraine; Christina Aguilera's The Christmas Song and O Holy Night. This year's program will end with the full company performing "Let There Be Peace on Earth." [Hear Ms. Fontanelli singing this

selection with the St. Louis Symphony <https://youtu.be/b-JRL8CJis8?si=z8TILLoRepHqBGDD>

[Watch this 50 second promo video of "Christmas in Italy®" \(2016\) https://f.io/bd7lin0R](https://f.io/bd7lin0R)

Musicians include: Irena Portenko, piano; Joyce Balint, mandolin (NY Philharmonic); Bill Schimmel, accordion (Grammy nomination), David Galvez, guitar; Matthew Cerillo, tenor; the Yaroslav-na Ukrainian Youth Choir; the Nadiya Dance School (New Jersey); the Xaverian High School Genesis and Senior High School Choir(s) (Brooklyn); the youth of the Downtown Dance Studio (Manhattan) and Air Dance & Theater Studio (Long Island) and Santa Claus.

QUOTE: Ms. Fontanelli says, "I began this annual Holiday tradition 20 years ago to preserve Italy's great classic and popular songs and the values they represent, for younger generations. We have been blessed to have continued, even during the terrible Covid Pandemic, and are now considered a beloved NYC Holiday tradition." [HEADLINE]: "Cristina Fontanelli, Preserving Values Through Opera," The Epoch Times. And "The best work came from Cristina Fontanelli" – The New York Times

This concert was conceived by Cristina Fontanelli and is produced by the 501 c-3 [The Cristina Fontanelli Foundation, Inc.](http://www.thecristinafontanellifoundation.org) whose mission statement includes creating family-friendly musical productions giving young people performance opportunities and growing the awareness of the scientifically proven societal benefits of classical music and the arts. Tax-deductible donations can be made thru: www.thecristinafontanellifoundation.org

Christmas in Italy® began in Merkin Concert Hall in 2004. The history of the performance venues include: Zankel Hall at Carnegie Hall; the Bruno Walter Auditorium at Lincoln Center; Symphony Space; The Kaye Playhouse at Hunter College; the Tribeca Performing Arts Center; St. Jean Baptiste Church (2020) and the Church of the Most Precious Blood in Little Italy during the Covid Pandemic.

Some of the organizations that have been supported through the 10% donation of all ticket and other proceeds include: The Casa Famiglia Orphanage in Naples, Italy; St. Joseph Food Bank NYC; Tunnels for Towers Foundation; Wounded Warriors and St. Jude's Hospital for Children.

About Cristina Fontanelli: ("Vocal Genius" – The New York Sun) Brooklyn-born Cristina Fontanelli has performed throughout the United States and internationally singing title roles with the Palm Beach Opera, The Boston Pops and the St. Louis Symphony and has received the Lifetime Achievement Award in the Arts from the Order Sons of Italy in America (previous recipient Luciano Pavarotti). She has appeared on PBS-TV and was honored by the Italian Government as an artist of Pugliese descent. She has performed for the Clinton White House and for the George W. Bush Presidential Inauguration. She appears annually at 54 Below and for Opera & Broadway of the Hamptons. Ms. Fontanelli has won Best Actress in two International Film Festivals and sings and entertains in 9 languages. More information: (www.cristinafontanelli.com)

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