

Press Release

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ORCHESTRA KEEPS ON ROLLIN' ALONG

Boca Raton, Florida-No one knows exactly what Lorraine Marks has in mind for the Florida Intergenerational Orchestra of America's (FLIOA) first two numbers of their new season of performances on Sunday, December 18th, February 26th, and April 29th. 2 P.M. at The Volen Center, 1515 West Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton. It wouldn't surprise audiences to hear "I am Sixteen Going on Seventeen" followed by "Old Man River." "Presently, our youngest violinist is nine years old," says Ms. Marks, the orchestra's extraordinary conductor, "and our oldest is Ray Johnson, a former Naval Officer, who just turned 92, beating out Ralph Cohen, a rabbi, who also plays the drums, who is 91." "The orchestra is like a big family where everyone helps everyone else to play and enjoy making music." What could be better than that in a world where headlines often point out all that is dysfunctional in our society? Ms. Marks will often introduce members of her orchestra during performances pointing out, not only age differences, but contrasts in how members came to join the orchestra. There are dentists tired of drilling, kids who find playing thrilling, and the retired who find themselves suddenly inspired. One thing is certain; whether or not Richard Rogers is featured, audiences will be greeted to the Sound of Music coming from an orchestra like no other. What results from all of this is simply magical.

ABOUT OUR CONDUCTOR

Lorraine Marks is the founder and conductor of the Florida Intergenerational Orchestra of America as well as the New Jersey Intergenerational Orchestra, which she conducted at Lincoln Center in New York City and in Madrid, Spain for The United Nations conference on Aging. She has received a Certificate of Special Recognition from The United States Congress, a State of New Jersey Senate Citation and a Service Award from the American Heart Association. For her concept on healthy aging through music mentorship, she has been featured on "Sunday This Morning" with Charles Osgood, and NBC television's "Four Stories."

TICKETS: TICKETS ARE GENERAL SEATING \$10.00 FOR ADULTS AND FREE FOR CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER, ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT (FREE TICKETS ARE LIMITED TO TWO CHILDREN PER FAMILY) AND CAN BE OBTAINED AT THE VOLEN CENTER ON THE DAY OF THE CONCERT. GROUP SALES OF TEN OR MORE ARE AVAILABLE AT A DISCOUNT. Further information can be obtained by calling 561-482-8206, or e-mail at Strings4all@aol.com. Visit our website www.flioa.org

MEDIA ADVISORY-If you would like to get a closer look at the orchestra please consider attending one of our rehearsals.

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