



## Liana Forest

### Rachmaninoff, Chopin, Beethoven & More

**Liana Forest** merges her Russian Piano Virtuoso background with her very own "Swinging Classics" style in a stunning production "**From Moscow to Manhattan, from Bach to Broadway**". Liana offers fresh and original interpretations by blending brilliant styles of jazz, popular music and humor with everybody's favorite classics. From the haunting melodies of Rachmaninoff and Chopin to modern renditions of Bach and Beethoven, from brilliant exuberance of Rhapsody in Blue to the tuneful gusto of West Side Story, Liana brings timeless musical gems closer to today's listener as she dazzles and performs. Throughout the show, Liana entertains the audience with her humorous stories of coming to America and inadvertently ending the Cold War.

Russian-born **Liana Forest** has performed throughout the world receiving acclaim for her brilliant technique, musical insight and warm stage presence. After immigrating to the United States, Liana toured nationwide appearing as a recitalist and soloist and with symphony orchestras. She was a soloist with the San Francisco Midsummer Mozart Festival orchestra conducted by George Cleve. She also has appeared in recitals in Germany and Austria, and has performed for Princess Sofia of Romania. Her recent seasons have included appearances on National European Television in Holland as well as orchestral and recital appearances in the United States, Africa, Europe and Asia. Liana's CD recordings of Romantic piano music have sold more than 300,000 copies worldwide. Most exciting is the music that resonates with Liana's Russian roots like her own arrangement of Rachmaninoff's "Paganini Rhapsody" and "Bumble Boogie" as well as a jazzy version of "Flight of the Bumble Bee". Whether performing as a soloist with her trio or quintet (bass, drums, reeds, trumpet, trombone) Liana brings timeless musical gems appealing to today's listener.

### SPOTLIGHT

A Bosendorfer Artist, Royal Command Performances for Princess Sofia of Romania, Appearances on European Television and Radio; National & International concert tours

### KUDOS

*"Stunning, electrifying, inspiring, joy-inducing concert!"*

**-San Francisco Gate**

*"Stellar performer!"*

**-San Jose Mercury News**

*"Liana is a brilliant interpreter who cannot hide her Russian soul. Her music was filled with passion and poetic surrender, ...unforgettable moments of highest truth and beauty."*

**-Wochenblatt, Germany**

*"Passion and beauty combined with brilliant technical accomplishment. The audience was on its feet!"*

**-News Herald, Los Angeles, CA**

*"Liana carried off the Rachmaninoff with style, suave, and the level of emotional focus that one rarely has the pleasure to enjoy."*

**-Lawrence Kohl,  
Music Director Classical Philharmonic**

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