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SC Public Radio announces coverage plans for Spoleto Festival USA 2023 *Sonatas & Soundscapes to broadcast live from Dock Street Theatre in Charleston, S.C.*

COLUMBIA, S.C. – South Carolina Public Radio (SC Public Radio) today announced coverage plans for Spoleto Festival USA 2023. ***Sonatas & Soundscapes***, which airs weekdays at 11 a.m. on the network's News & Music stations, will feature Spoleto content from May 26 through June 9. Additionally, SC Public Radio will broadcast recordings from this year's **Bank of America Chamber Music Series** as well as offer on-demand audio of the performances on southcarolinapublicradio.org.

Sonatas & Soundscapes will begin festival coverage May 26, broadcasting live from the Dock Street Theatre in downtown Charleston, S.C. until June 9. Recordings from the festival's renowned **Chamber Music** series will also be featured starting on June 2 and will run until June 16. Hosted by SC Public Radio's Bradley Fuller, ***Sonatas & Soundscapes*** will feature interviews with musicians and tributes to Spoleto's late Director of Chamber Music Geoff Nuttall. In celebration of Nuttall, preeminent artists, including Alisa Weilerstein, Inon Barnatan, and Alexi Kenney, will honor their friend with performances in a program both informed and inspired by Nuttall.

South Carolinians looking to listen to ***Sonatas & Soundscapes*** can tune in to 89.3 FM HD1 in Charleston, 91.3 FM in Columbia and 90.1 FM in Greenville/Spartanburg. In addition, a livestream of SC Public Radio's News & Music format broadcast can be accessed on southcarolinapublicradio.org or by downloading the [SCETV app](#).

With over four decades of collaboration, SC Public Radio began covering Spoleto Festival USA in 1981. Now in its 50th year of broadcasting, SC Public Radio reaches more than 300,000 listeners each week. With eight transmitters located across the state, the network offers two formats – News/Talk and News/Music. For more on SC Public Radio, visit southcarolinapublicradio.org.

For more on this year's Spoleto Festival, visit spoletofestival.org.

QUOTES:

"Spoleto Festival USA is internationally recognized as America's premier performing arts festival, and we're thrilled to celebrate SC Public Radio's continued partnership with the festival. Our coverage of the 2023 season will allow lovers of the arts and fine arts freshmen throughout South Carolina and beyond the opportunity to enjoy world-class talent." –**SCETV and SC Public Radio Interim President and CEO Dr. Stephanie Cook**

"To share the magic of Spoleto Festival USA and the Bank of America Chamber Music Series once again with our audience is the highlight of the season. We are steadfast in our mission to champion the arts and make enlightening music and entertainment available to all, and we will continue to feature the local, national and international talent found at this spectacular festival." –**Director of SC Public Radio Sean Birch**

"Being able to witness these phenomenal concerts, whether in person or over the airwaves, is an experience like no other. Conversations with festival artists will give listeners a behind-the-scenes perspective on the Chamber Music Series as musicians at the top of their craft perform 11 richly varied programs featuring everything from early baroque gems to revelatory new works. Through high-quality SC Public Radio broadcasts of the Spoleto Festival USA Chamber Music Series, our listening audience will truly be able to feel the incredible musicianship and warm camaraderie of the entire series—a camaraderie that I had the pleasure of sharing with Spoleto's late Director of Chamber Music, Geoff Nuttall. Even though he is no longer with us, I'm moved to see his legacy living on in this altogether unique celebration of "the music of friends." –**Sonatas & Soundscapes Host Bradley Fuller**

FAST FACTS:

- SC Public Radio will cover Spoleto Festival USA 2023 on **Sonatas & Soundscapes** program May 27 through June 9.
- Broadcasting live from the historic Dock Street Theatre, **Sonatas & Soundscapes** will air recordings from the festival's renowned Bank of America Chamber Music series, starting June 2 at 11 a.m.
- In total, 11 chamber music performances will broadcast during Sonatas & Soundscapes and will be available to stream on-demand on southcarolinapublicradio.org
- A livestream of SC Public Radio's broadcast can be accessed on southcarolinapublicradio.org or by downloading the [SCETV app](#).

About South Carolina ETV and Public Radio

South Carolina ETV and Public Radio (SCETV) is the state's public educational broadcasting network. SCETV amplifies South Carolina voices, provides educational experiences and strengthens communities, while working toward creating a stronger, more connected and informed South Carolina. In addition to airing local programs, such as *Carolina Classrooms*, *Making It Grow*, and *This Week in South Carolina*, SCETV also presents multiple programs to regional and national audiences, including *By The River*, *After Action*, *Reconnecting Roots*, *Reel South*, *Somewhere South*, *Yoga in Practice* and *How She Rolls*. In addition, SC Public Radio produces the national radio production, *Chamber Music from Spoleto Festival USA*.

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