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AVENTURA ARTS & CULTURAL CENTER OFFERS A 15 PERCENT DISCOUNT ON TICKETS TO CERTAIN PERFORMANCES, IF PURCHASED BY SEPTEMBER 16

Offer is for shows going on sale to the public on September 2

AVENTURA – The Aventura Arts & Cultural Center is offering a 15 percent discount on tickets to certain performances, including the XII Annual Andes Folkloric Festival of Music and Dance and subscription discounts to the Miami International Piano Festival, the Aventura Foreign Film Series and the Broadway Concert Series **if purchased from September 2 through September 16.**

Enjoy the traditions of the Andean civilization during the **XII Annual Andes Folkloric Festival of Music and Dance** (Oct. 12) which celebrates the time-honored civilization, from the depth of mother earth to the majestic mountain peaks of the Andes. Known worldwide for its resplendent culture, the festival will include music and dance in a whirl of richly handcrafted costumes, described in folklore as “a dream of a thousand shapes and colors.”

Next, enjoy classical music at its finest during the **Miami International Piano Festival Series, “Four Classical Sundays at Five”** (Nov. 23, Jan. 18, Feb. 22, April 12). Four of the world’s finest pianists, David Kadouch (France), Nick van Bloss (England), Nikolay Khozyainov (Russia) and Vincenzo Maltempo (Italy) each will present an evening of classical music. Selections include the most celebrated composers, including Chopin, Schumann, Ravel, Rachmanonov, Beethoven, Bach and more. With a series subscription to all four, concert goers will receive a 15 percent discount on each ticket.

The 2014-15 Aventura Foreign Film Series, featuring the finest in international cinema from Argentina, Belgium, Denmark, France, Italy and Japan, also features a discounted six-film subscription, which represents a savings of 15 percent on individual tickets. Shelly Isaacs, founder/programmer and commentator for South Florida’s popular Café Cinematheque International programs, will serve as host, introducing the films and leading post-screening discussions.

The series begins with a presentation of ***You Will Be My Son*** (Nov. 11), a poignant story that chronicles the dilemma of the head of a family-owned wine estate. While he loves his son, he has little faith in his son’s ability to take over the family business and leans instead toward appointing the son of his terminally ill estate manager. Presented in French with English subtitles, the film is rated (R).

Thematically rich and involving, ***Terraferma*** (Dec. 9) is set off coast the of Linosa, a minor island south of Sicily nicknamed “Terraferma,” where a local Italian fishing boat collides with a raft overflowing with exhausted, perishing Africans. The fishing boat captain’s rescue of six refugees leads to a clash with the Italian coast guard and an emotional struggle. Presented in Italian with English subtitles, the film is rated (R).

Audiences will be drawn into ***The Hunt*** (Jan. 13), a cautionary tale about the destruction even one lie can cause, as a lonely kindergarten teacher is wrongly accused of assault and becomes the target of mass hysteria. Presented in Danish with English subtitles, the film is rated (R).

The film series continues with ***The Broken Circle Breakdown*** (Feb. 3), where a couple’s seven-year relationship, fueled by their mutual love of American culture and bluegrass music, unravels when their six-year-old daughter falls ill. Propelled by a soundtrack of bluegrass, *The Broken Circle Breakdown* is presented in Flemish with English subtitles.

Winner of the Caméra d’Or at the 2011 Cannes Film Festival, ***Las Acacias*** (March 3) chronicles a lonely, middle-aged Argentinian truck driver whose life and routine of transporting timber between Paraguay and Buenos Aires, Argentina are profoundly changed when he takes on a passenger and her baby daughter. *Las Acacias* is presented in Spanish with English subtitles.

The Aventura Foreign Film Series concludes on March 31 with ***Like Father, Like Son***, a gripping family drama about a father who learns that his biological son was switched at birth with another child. This film is presented in Japanese with English subtitles.

Internationally acclaimed piano artists Susan and Sarah Wang from the Dranoff Piano 2 Foundation will perform ***Joy Around the World – 2 Piano Classics of the Jewish and Christian Tradition*** (Dec. 21). A tribute to the culture and tradition of the winter holidays of Hanukkah and Christmas, the concert will include works by Schubert and Prokofiev.

Get ready for the **2015 Aventura Arts & Cultural Center Broadway Concert Series**, featuring three of the best and brightest stars of stage and screen. Three-concert subscriptions and discounts on individual tickets represent a savings of 15 percent on each ticket.

The series kicks off with **Megan Hilty** (Jan. 25), stage and screen actor whose numerous credits include starring with Sean Hayes in the NBC comedy *Sean Saves the World* and on two seasons on NBC’s *Smash*. Broadway credits include *Wicked* and *9 to 5: The Musical*.

Next, **Louise Pitre** takes to the stage (March 5). The Tony nominated star of *Mamma Mia!*, Pitre is dubbed “the first lady of Canadian theatre,” and is fresh from her starring turn in *Mame* at the Goodspeed Opera House.

Winner of Tony, Drama Desk, Outer Critics Circle and the Theatre World awards for her Broadway lead role as Kim in *Miss Saigon*, **Lea Salonga** (March 19) has a host of additional stage and screen credits including soundtracks for Disney’s *Aladdin* and *Mulan*.

Tickets, group discounts and scheduling information for all performances are available through the Aventura Arts & Cultural Center's call center at (877) 311-7469 or online at www.aventuracenter.org. Tickets also can be purchased at the Aventura Arts & Cultural Center box office Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. and 90 minutes prior to each performance.

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