



## PRESENTER TESTIMONIALS

“The haunting quality of Phyllis Chapell’s voice, the range of her repertoire and her presence on stage, enthralled the audience at this year’s Lake George Jazz Weekend. Supported by the fine group of instrumentalists under the guiding hand of Dan Kleiman, SIORA’S performance helped to make our 20th anniversary one of our most successful events. They are a pleasure to hear and to work with.”

Paul Pines, Festival Organizer  
**Lake George Jazz Weekend, Lake George, NY**

“Words cannot describe how enchanting we found SIORA’s performance to be!...Individually and collectively, you exhibited mastery of your instruments, a great rapport among yourselves, and a wonderful ‘connect’ with the audience...”

Rosemary Pawlowski, Executive Director  
**Bottle Works Ethnic Arts Center**  
Johnstown, PA

“On behalf of Arts Enter at the Historic Palace Theatre, I would like to compliment you on the beautiful performance you (SIORA) gave. Cape Charles is fortunate to have had the privilege of hosting such a sophisticated and impeccable show! The program selections were perfect for our audience, who enjoyed SIORA so much that they requested an encore with standing ovation!...It was a pleasure to introduce your talented group to the Northampton Middle School. The students were enthralled with your workshop and performance...”

Clelia Sheppard, President and Executive Director  
**Arts Enter Cape Charles, Inc.**  
Cape Charles, VA

“I can tell you that you left a wake of very impressed audience members...You had people on their feet, dancing...I think doing the combination of full group, duo, and workshop worked quite well in the festival setting...”

Doris Mack, Performing Arts Director  
**Central Pennsylvania Festival of the Arts**  
State College, PA

“Thank you for helping us commemorate the opening of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts...We were delighted that you were a part of it.”

Leah Oriolo, Project Assistant, Opening Celebration  
**The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts**  
Philadelphia, PA

“...Phyllis Chapell, accompanied by Dan Kleiman and SIORA, used her sensuous voice to cast the residents of the Town of Hempstead into a musical spell...”

Richard Rutner, Coordinator of Cultural Arts  
**Town of Hempstead, New York**

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"SIORA definitely stood out as a highlight of the Festival...It has been a pleasure working with you."

John D. Vogt, Executive Director  
**Westmoreland Arts & Heritage Festival**  
Latrobe, PA

"The audience really enjoyed your performance on February 20th. SIORA provided a beautiful blend of jazz and vocals...Our international students were thrilled to hear their native tongues...I would like to thank your group for being so easy to work with and such a pleasure to have on campus..."

Joyce Niebauer, Director of Student Activities  
**Mount Aloysius College**, Cresson, PA

"SIORA supplied a fantastic blend of cross cultural jazz and flowing multilingual vocals. A true synthesis of American and Brazilian that emitted a lively ambiance and great reverberation to the museum's nighttime atmosphere. Tremendous compliments from our Wednesday evening crowd!"

Jean M. Cucuzzella, Adult & Community Programs Mgr.  
**Delaware Art Museum**  
Wilmington, Delaware

"Your performance was one of the highlights of this year's series as was evidenced by the number of phonecalls into my office as well as by the "buzz" in the community in the days following the concert..."

Carl W. Saldutti, Jr., Director, Parks & Recreation  
**Borough of Lansdale**, PA

"I really enjoyed the international flavor of the program and the feeling of being whisked around the world. I particularly enjoyed the spoken word portion of Carmen. What a great way to involve the audience!... I am glad we had this chance to present Siora. Thanks so much for sharing your talents and music with all of us..."

Dara Gordon  
Performing Arts Coordinator  
**Longwood Gardens**  
Kennett Square, PA