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Guitarist JIJI and Violinist Danbi Um in Concert 11/11 at Bethel UMC

The duo of JIJI, guitar, and Danbi Um, violin, will perform the second concert of Coastal Concerts 25th Anniversary season at 2 P.M. on November 11, 2023 in the Fellowship Hall of Bethel UMC, 4th & Market Sts. in Lewes.

This powerful duo of young, genre-defying musicians presents a remarkably eclectic concert. Italian Baroque is juxtaposed with 19th-century masterpieces of Paganini; Amy Beach's lush melodies are paired with the seductive gestures of traditional Spanish song; and the paradigm-bending program closes with Astor Piazzolla's spirited celebration of four eras of tango.

Hailed as a top 21st-century guitarist, JIJI fascinates audiences with her impeccable musicianship and diverse repertoire. The first guitarist in 30 years to secure first prize in the Concert Artists Guild Competition, JIJI's performances range from traditional and contemporary classical to free improvisation. Beyond her musical pursuits, JIJI is a committed educator, serving as Associate Professor of Music in Guitar at Indiana University Jacobs School of Music.

Praised for her brilliant performances and "mesmerizing grace," Danbi Um, a Menuhin International Violin Competition Silver Medalist and Naumburg International Violin Competition prizewinner, showcases her virtuosity and interpretive sensitivity in captivating concertos, intimate solo recitals and enriching chamber collaborations.

The engagement of JIJI and Danbi Um is made possible through the Special Presenters Initiative of Mid Atlantic Arts with the support of the National Endowment of the Arts.

Check out Coastal Concerts' special holiday gift offer: Get two tickets to the December concert for the price of one by contacting Monica Han at monezra@gmail.com and refer to code BOGO227. If you have already purchased tickets to the Kaleidoscope Chamber Collective concert, you can request a free ticket for each ticket purchased! Consider giving the gift of music this year.

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