

## **STING AND TRUDIE STYLER BRING THEIR 'TWIN SPIRITS' TO THE 2010 TUSCAN SUN FESTIVAL**

### **Line-up for *Twin Spirits* Ensembles Announced**

#### **English acting legend CHARLES DANCE Makes Debut at Tuscan Sun Festival as *Twin Spirits* Narrator as well as Vivaldi's *Four Seasons Sonnets***

Husband and wife team **STING** and **TRUDIE STYLER** appear together on stage at the 2010 Tuscan Sun Festival in Cortona, Italy, in *Twin Spirits*: an unique theatrical performance by a chamber ensemble of actors, singers and musicians, portraying the love between the composer Robert Schumann and his pianist wife Clara Wieck. In this moving performance of words, song and music, the Schumanns' long separation, so formative an influence on their lives, is reflected in the division of the ensemble into male and female groups.

Conceived and produced by June Chichester, written and directed by John Caird, *Twin Spirits* was first performed in June 2005 at the Royal Opera House in London. Sting assumes the part of Robert Schumann in words, with Trudie Styler as Clara Wieck in words while American baritone John Chest sings the part of Robert Schumann and soprano Laura Claycomb sings Clara Wieck. The ensembles also feature pianists Natasha Paremski and Barrett Wissman, cellist Nina Kotova, and violin super-star Joshua Bell. *Twin Spirits* will be staged twice in Teatro Signorelli on August 5<sup>th</sup> (14.30 and 20.00). A special limited seating gala post-concert reception will be held at one of the leading Tuscan wineries, Avignonesi, one of the partners of the 2010 Tuscan Sun Festival. Proceeds from the concert and reception will be donated to the Rainforest Fund, the charity established by Sting and Trudie Styler over 20 years ago, the Del Sole Foundation, and the Royal Opera House Education Fund.

English star of stage and screen **CHARLES DANCE** will lend his legendary voice to narrate *Twin Spirits* making his first appearance at the Tuscan Sun Festival. In addition

to these performances, Dance will also appear in the concert on August 1<sup>st</sup> reading the *Four Seasons Sonnets*, the works which are said to have inspired Vivaldi's most recognized piece. As Dance weaves the sonnets throughout, young American violinist Chad Hoopes plays *The Four Seasons*, supported by the Sinfonici del Maggio Musicale Fiorentino.

### About the Tuscan Sun Festival

The Tuscan Sun Festival is the original within the family of Sun Festivals produced by IMG Artists. The annual Festival del Sole – Napa Valley takes place in July in California's beautiful Napa Valley and the annual Singapore Sun Festival takes place in Singapore in October.

The Tuscan Sun Festival would like to thank it's 2010 partners Comune di Cortona, Provincia di Arezzo and Regione Toscana as well as Hapag-Lloyd and Banca Popolare. Thank you also to Avignonesi, Il Borro, Consorzio Vini Cortona, Il Falconiere, MAEC, Maserati, and Molesini as well as Classica TV, Tuscan Living Magazine and AngloInfo Tuscany.

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For ticket information, see [www.tuscansunfestival.com](http://www.tuscansunfestival.com)

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<b>TUSCAN SUN FESTIVAL 30 July – 6 August 2010</b>
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#### **Friday 30 July**

12.00 – 14.00	Cooking with Mamma
12.30 – 14.00	Press Conference
16.00 – 18.00	Matinee Movie, <i>Hilary and Jackie</i>
16.00 – 17.00	Art Exhibition Opening: DAZE
17.00 – 18.00	Art Gallery Opening: Ed Mayes and Alberto Alfonso
18.00 – 19.00	Historic Walk and Aperitif, <i>Famous Painters in Cortona</i>
20.00 – 20.45	Toasting Tuscany
21.00 – 23.00	Dinner Gala, Il Borro

## Saturday 31 July

All day	Art Exhibitions: DAZE Painting the Poem, Poeming the Painting
9.00 – 10.00	Dance Class, <i>Pizzazz</i>
10.00 – 13.00	Fresco Workshop
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch Club, Corys Restaurant
15.00 – 17.00	Fresco workshop
16.00 – 18.00	Matinee Movie, <i>Miracle in Milan</i>
17.00 – 19.30	Vineyard Excursion to Cantine Faralli
17.00 – 18.00	Reading by Frances Mayes with wine and music
20.00 – 20.45	Toasting Tuscany
21.00 – 23.00	Opera Gala
Marcello Giordani, Ekaterina Scherbachenko, Gisèle Ben-Dor, Orchestra della Toscana	

## Sunday 1 August

All day	Art Exhibitions: DAZE Painting the Poem, Poeming the Painting
9.00 – 10.00	Dance Class, <i>Pizzazz</i>
10.30 – 11.30	Dr. Song's Lecture
12.00 – 14.00	Cooking with Mamma
15.00 – 17.00	Ceramic Workshop: Clay modelling
16.00 – 18.00	Matinee Movie, <i>Rome Open City</i>
18.00 – 19.00	Historic walk, <i>Famous architects' buildings in Cortona</i>
18.00 – 20.00	Lecture John Wilton and Valerie Thornill, <i>Foreigners in Tuscany</i>
20.00 – 20.45	Toasting Tuscany
21.00 – 23.00	Concert with Nobuyuki Tsujii, Chad Hoopes, Julian Kovatchev, Sinfonici del Maggio Musicale Fiorentino

## Monday 2 August

All day	Art Exhibitions: DAZE, Palazzo Casali Painting the Poem, Poeming the Painting
8.00 – 9.00	Power Walk
9.00 – 10.00	Tai Chi class
10.00 – 12.00	Mosaic Workshop
10.30 – 11.30	Dr. Song Lecture
12.00	Free piano recital featuring Oliver Poole
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch Club, La Bucaccia
16.00 – 18.00	Matinee Movie, <i>Gosford Park</i>
19.00 – 22.00	Masters of Wine: James Suckling, Il Falconiere Relais & Chateaux
20.00 – 20.45	Toasting Tuscany
21.00 – 23.00	An Evening with Gabriele Lavia and Cecilia Chailly

## Tuesday 3 August

All day	Art Exhibitions: DAZE Painting the Poem, Poeming the Painting
8.00 – 9.00	Power Walk
9.00 – 10.00	Tai Chi class
10.00 – 13.00	Cheesemaking Workshop at La Bucaccia Restaurant
10.30 – 11.30	Dr. Song Lecture
12.00 – 14.00	Cooking with Mamma
15.00 – 16.00	Paduano's Lecture, <i>Verdi and Shakespeare</i>
16.00 – 18.00	Matinee Movie, <i>Paisà</i>
17.00 – 19.30	Vineyard Excursion to Cantine La Calonica
18.00 – 18.45	Historic Walk <i>Following in footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi</i>
21.00 – 23.00	Concert with Renée Fleming, Alberto Veronesi, Orchestra del Festival Puccini, and the participation of the young composer conductor Anthony Arcaini

## Wednesday 4 August

All day	Art Exhibitions: DAZE Painting the Poem, Poeming the Painting
8.00 – 9.00	Power Walk
9.00 – 10.00	Tai Chi class
10.00 – 12.00	Mosaic Workshop
10.30 – 11.30	Dr. Song Lecture
11.00	Free chamber concert featuring Michael Guttman, Edoardo Catemario and Vanessa Bonelli
12.00 – 14.00	Cooking with Mamma
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch Club, La Locanda del Molino
16.00 – 18.00	Matinee Movie, <i>Under the Tuscan Sun</i>
18.00 – 19.00	Dance Class, Foxtrot, Salsa and Samba
18.00 – 20.00	Wine Lecture with Leah Clearwater
20.00 – 20.45	Toasting Tuscany
21.00 – 23.00	Concert with Joshua Bell, Steven Isserlis, Dénes Várjon, Riccardo Frizza and Orchestra della Toscana

## Thursday 5 August

All day	Art Exhibitions: DAZE Painting the Poem, Poeming the Painting
8.00 – 9.00	Power Walk
9.00 – 10.00	Tai Chi class
10.00 – 13.00	Cheesemaking Workshop at La Bucaccia Restaurant
13.00 – 15.00	Lunch and Lecture with Matthew Gurewitsch
14.30 – 16.00	Concert: Twin Spirits with Sting, Trudie Styler and Charles Dance
15.00 – 17.00	Ceramic Workshop: Ceramic Painting
16.00 – 18.00	Matinee Movie, <i>Germany Year Zero</i>

17.00 – 19.30 Vineyard Excursion to Fabrizio Dionisio  
19.00 – 19.45 Toasting Tuscany  
21.00 – 23.00 Concert: Twin Spirits with Sting, Trudie Styler and Charles Dance  
23.00 – 00.00 Twin Spirits Gala Dinner, Avignonesi Wine Estate

### **Friday 6 August**

All day Art Exhibitions: DAZE  
Painting the Poem, Poeming the Painting

8.00 – 9.00 Power Walk

9.00 – 10.00 Tai Chi class

9.00 – 15.00 Etruscan Tour and Lunch

10.00 – 11.30 Yoga and Pilates Class with Trudie Styler and James D'Silva

12.00 – 14.00 Cooking with Silvia

16.00 – 18.00 Matinee Movie, *Lock Stock and Two Smoking Barrels*

18.00 – 19.00 Historic Walk, *Churches and buildings of Cortona*

18.00 – 20.00 Biodynamic Wines with James Suckling and Trudie Styler

20.00 – 23.00 Ballet Gala: "Stars of the Bolshoi and Mariinsky Theatres",  
presented by Max and Irina

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