

FROM RUSSIA...WITH LOVE!

BOERNE, TX – February 5, 2018 – As the frigid weather comes and goes, and mountain cedar fever season mercifully comes to an end, February thoughts turn to a celebration of love on Valentine’s Day. While chocolates and flowers are great beginnings for this special occasion, devoting an evening with your loved one over a fine meal and a concert filled with romantic music pushes Valentine’s Day over the top!



Celebrate the sights and sounds of the finest accordion orchestra in the world with a Valentine’s treat that will sweep your sweetheart “off her feet”. An evening at the theater! Single tickets are priced at \$60-\$40-\$30, with a special offer of student tickets for \$20.

Suggestion: Take your children to the theater for a date!

Put on the squeeze on February 15th...with the famous Accordion Virtuosi of Russia. Close your eyes and you will hear a full symphonic orchestra, when in fact the orchestra consists of 30-plus accordions (both keyboard and button versions). Their musical program will include such classics as **Sabre Dance** by Khachaturian, **Hoe-down** from Rodeo (Copland), and **Czardas** by Bittorio Monti, featuring violin soloist Alexander Yakushev. They will also perform Excerpts from **West Side Story** (a passionate love story turned Broadway Musical thanks to Leonard Bernstein) and a Joplin **Ragtime Dance**. In the hands of these musicians, the accordion takes on an entirely new dimension.

Most recently, the Accordion Virtuosi of Russia has been included in the prestigious “Golden Book of St. Petersburg” for its achievements in arts. They are held in the highest esteem in St. Petersburg, along with the Mariinsky Theater, the State Russian Museum and the Hermitage. This performance represents the very heart of culture and art in Russia!

H-E-B Tournament of Champions Foundation, Hearts’ Home Acoustics, Morningside Ministries at Menger Springs, and The City of Boerne are sponsoring this evening’s performance and a student matinee for 1,000 local students. Thanks to their generosity, fifth grade students from Boerne ISD and Bandera ISD will attend a one-hour show at no cost to the students as part of the Boerne Performing Arts FOR KIDS program.

Prior to the performance by the Accordion Virtuosi of Russia and during intermission, the Champion Jazz Band, under the direction of Kevin Arnott, will perform in the lobby. Visual artwork created by students at Boerne High School and Champion High School will be on display in the lobby. This work has been encouraged, inspired and taught by Darcy Baird, Grace Roach, Elva Salinas, and Jordan Pease. As with each Boerne Performing Arts event, it is a community endeavor.

So get your Valentine's Date and head to Champion Auditorium for February 15th! Order tickets by phone: 830.331.9079; online: www.BoernePerformingArts.com; or in person at the Greater Boerne Chamber of Commerce (121 South Main Street in beautiful downtown Boerne). Showtime is at 7:30pm at Boerne Champion Theater...an easy drive, free parking, and surrounded by unique and delicious dining opportunities spread throughout the quaint city of Boerne.