

Dear Music Lovers,

Oh for good weather AND fine music in February! I invite you to escape the legendary Western and Central New York winter and share with me instead the storied sights and sounds of Spain and Portugal. When I was a young child, I fell in love with the symphony orchestra and the idea of people making music together. It was magical to me. Now I have the chance to create some of that magic – with YOU in the audience – when I am guest conductor of the Lisbon Metropolitan Orchestra in February. We will be playing Rossini, Vieuxtemps and Schubert while you listen from your VIP seats and then enjoy a backstage tour of the concert hall.

It's all part of AAA's exclusive and elegant adventure in Spain and Portugal from February 21 to March 2, including stops in Toledo, Madrid (with a private tour of the Prado Museum), Bilbao (where you will tour Frank Gehry's acclaimed Guggenheim Museum), Malaga on the Costa del Sol and Lisbon.

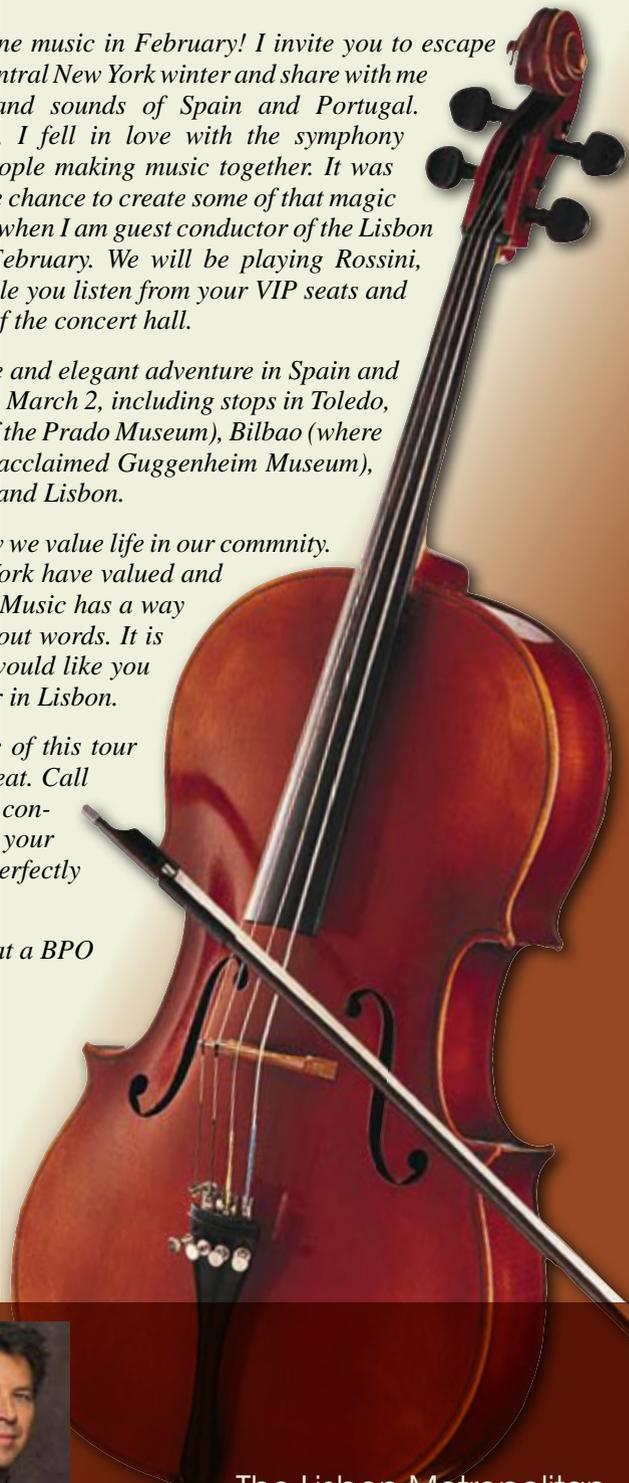
The BPO is a reflection of how we value life in our community. The people of Western New York have valued and supported the Philharmonic. Music has a way of touching people even without words. It is a thrilling experience and I would like you to share it with me this winter in Lisbon.

I must point out that the size of this tour is limited – so don't miss a beat. Call your personal AAA vacation consultant right away to reserve your place and put all the details perfectly in place.

I look forward to seeing you at a BPO concert – and in Lisbon!

JoAnn Falletta

Music Director
Buffalo Philharmonic
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AN EXCLUSIVE TOUR OF SPAIN & PORTUGAL

With JoAnn Falletta conducting
the Lisbon Metropolitan Orchestra and Michael Ludwig, soloist



JoAnn Falletta
BPO Music Director



Michael Ludwig
Clement and Karen
Arrison Concertmaster
Chair, BPO

The Lisbon Metropolitan Orchestra performance will feature the works of Rossini, Vieuxtemps and Schubert.



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SPAIN & PORTUGAL TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- ◆ VIP seats to a live performance of JoAnn Falletta guest-conducting the Lisbon Metropolitan Orchestra
- ◆ Exclusive backstage concert hall tour and private reception with the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra maestro
- ◆ Guided tour of the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao, designed by world-renowned architect Frank Gehry
- ◆ Private tour through the Prado Museum in Madrid, boasting one of Europe's finest collections of paintings and sculpture
- ◆ Customized itinerary includes Toledo, Madrid, Bilbao, Malaga on the Costa del Sol, and Lisbon
- ◆ Nine day fully escorted tour including a bi-lingual tour manager, first class accommodations, many special touches

February 21 – March 2, 2008 ◆ \$5595*

*Per person, based on double occupancy. Includes Airfare and Taxes. \$6395 Single Rate. Itineraries, taxes and rates are subject to change. Consult your AAA Travel Consultant for terms and conditions.

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TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1 - DEPART BUFFALO, USA
February 21.

DAY 2 - ARRIVE IN MADRID
A special dinner welcomes you.

DAY 3 - TOLEDO
After breakfast, visit Toledo, a medieval gem of a city, where highlights include the incredible Cathedral and Santo Tome on a private sightseeing tour of the city. Toledo is known for its unique cuisine, focusing on roasted meats and game birds with Moorish influences. Enjoy dinner before returning to Madrid.

DAY 4 - MADRID
Experience the capital of Spain including a private tour of the Prado Museum and a walking tour of the famous Plaza Mayor and Palacio Real. The afternoon is free to discover more of Madrid.

DAY 5 - TRAVEL TO COSTA DEL SOL
Travel via train to Malaga on the Costa del Sol.

DAY 6 - COSTA DEL SOL
Take some time to relax and enjoy a free day on the Costa del Sol, or take an optional tour to see Gibraltar or St. Michael's Cave. In the evening delight in a dinner of tapas and local wine.

DAY 7 - BILBAO
Transfer to Malaga airport for a morning flight to Bilbao, home of the famous Guggenheim Museum. A walking tour of the city in the afternoon, including the Teatro Arriaga and the historic district of Casco Viejo will captivate you.

DAY 8 - BILBAO AND TRAVEL TO LISBON, PORTUGAL
Start the day with a guided tour of the Guggenheim Museum, one of the most distinctive buildings in the world, housing an excellent art collection. Savor lunch at the museum before flying to Lisbon. Evening in Lisbon is free to explore.

DAY 9 - LISBON AND THE BIRTHPLACE OF PORT WINE

After breakfast, explore Lisbon on your own before heading to the Instituto do Vinho do Porto for a wine presentation and tasting. The written history of Port Wine in Portugal dates back to the 17th century. Partake in a tasty dinner this evening of local specialties at the Cervejaria Trindade, a former monastery converted into an incredible restaurant with the original untouched impressive tilework still intact.

DAY 10 - PERFORMANCE IN LISBON

Tour of Lisbon to the Terreiro do Paco, the finest square in the city, named after the palace destroyed in the earthquake of 1755. Continue into the Belem Quarter, visiting the 16th century Jeronimos Monastery and vaulted church of Santa Maria, the Monument to the Discoveries and ancient Belem Tower. In the evening, the trip's highlight, a Lisbon Metropolitan Orchestra performance, where the BPO's JoAnn Falletta will conduct the works of Rossini, Vieuxtemps, and Schubert. Michael Ludwig is the feature violin soloist. Following the performance, enjoy a backstage concert hall tour with a private reception.

DAY 11 - DEPART PORTUGAL Return to the USA on March 2.

TRANSPORTATION

- ◆ Round-trip international airfare from the originating and departing cities is included on this tour
- ◆ Deluxe Motorcoach – air conditioned and rest room equipped
- ◆ Trains – air conditioned and rest room equipped
- ◆ Group airport arrival and departure transfers with assistance

ACCOMMODATIONS

- ◆ First-class or superior accommodations. All rooms have private facilities
- ◆ Hotel taxes and service charges are included

MEALS

- ◆ Breakfast: Daily
- ◆ Lunch: One at the Guggenheim Museum
- ◆ Dinner/Reception: Four

