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## Joan Bujacich, Joe Bilotti perform in ‘Music in May’ at Van Vleck Gardens

Wednesday, May 18, 2005

Spring is being celebrated at the Van Vleck House and Gardens with its “Music in May” program on Sunday afternoons. The public is welcome. Donations are appreciated and are used for maintaining the gardens.

Pianist, vocalist, songwriter and composer Joan Bujacich and guitarist Joe Bilotti will entertain in a fair-weather performance on Sunday, May 22, at 2 p.m. The duo will play original music from Bujacich’s CDs “A Fine Line” and “Dress of Dawn.”

A guided tour of the Van Vleck Gardens will follow at 3 p.m., rain or shine. Both the concert and the garden tour are free of charge.

Montclair musician Joan Bujacich has been performing and teaching in the metropolitan area for more than 20 years. When writing music, she incorporates pop, jazz, classical and rock for a unique, multi-genre sound.

Bujacich has performed at the Triad and The C Note in New York City, and in the MHS amphitheater for Montclair’s “Moonlight Nights” concert series. She was the organizer of “TourBaby,” a national tour to promote independent music that traveled to 54 cities in four months. One stop was at Tierney’s Tavern in Montclair.

Bujacich plays at the Café Navona in Rockaway Township where she has been house pianist for 10 years.

Music has made guitarist Joe Bilotti a world traveler with performances taking him recently to Chile and Tennessee. At home in New Jersey, his band, Eastern Potata, was a success on the music scene for many years. In addition to performing with Bujacich, he also plays with the band, Soft Parade — Tribute to the Doors.

Bilotti plays guitar on the CD, “Fine Line,” and was its musical director. He is a member of the faculty at the County College of Morris.

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