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KEYBOARD CONVERSATIONS® WITH JEFFREY SIEGEL PRESENTS
“BEETHOVEN AND FRIENDS – KEYS TO THE CLASSICS” ON MON, DEC. 11, 2017

RICHARDSON, TX – **Keyboard Conversations®**, featuring concert pianist **Jeffrey Siegel** continues the 2017-2018 Season with *Beethoven and Friends – Keys to the Classics* in the Bank of America Theatre at the Eisemann Center, 2351 Performance Drive in Richardson, Texas Monday, December 11, 2017 at 7:30 pm. Virtuoso pianist and storyteller **Jeffrey Siegel** returns to the keyboard with three 18th century musical masters who were contemporaries of each other. In *Beethoven and Friends*, Jeffrey Siegel performs Haydn's delightful *Sonata in D*, Mozart's brooding, contemplative *Fantasy in D minor*, and Beethoven's passionate, stormy *Sonata Pathétique*, while offering witty and insightful commentary about the music and composers before playing each piece. Delivered with humor and a deep admiration for the music, Mr. Siegel's performance will make you fall in love with this intoxicatingly music. An interactive Q and A will conclude this program. The 2017-2018 Season of **Keyboard Conversations®** is presented in part through the generosity of Dr. John F. Dixon

In addition to his solo appearances, **Jeffrey Siegel** presents **Keyboard Conversations®**, concerts with lively commentary in an innovative format that differs from traditional recitals and appearances with symphony orchestras. A Keyboard Conversation is a concert with each work on the program performed in its entirety. Mr. Siegel speaks briefly and informally to the audience before performing each composition, illustrating with a few pertinent musical examples from the keyboard.

Single tickets range from \$30-\$36 and are available online at www.eisemanncenter.com or by phone through the Eisemann Center Ticket Office at 972-744-4650. The Ticket Office is open from 10:00 am until 6:00 pm Monday – Saturday and one hour before performances. Music teachers who purchase a ticket to a concert may request a complimentary ticket to bring a student to experience a **Keyboard Conversations** concert, an initiative made possible by the *Eisemann Educates* program.

Jeffrey Siegel has been soloist with some of the world's great orchestras. Abroad, these include the Berlin Philharmonic, London Symphony, Philharmonic and Philharmonia, Moscow State Symphony, Bayerischer Rundfunk, The Hague Residentie Orkest, Oslo Philharmonic, Stockholm Philharmonic and many others. In the United States, engagements include the New York Philharmonic, Los Angeles Philharmonic, The Philadelphia Orchestra, The Cleveland Orchestra, Boston Symphony Orchestra and Chicago Symphony Orchestra. For more information about Mr. Siegel, visit www.keyboardconversations.com. **Jeffrey Siegel** is a Steinway artist.

The Charles W. Eisemann Center for Performing Arts is located at 2351 Performance Drive in Richardson, Texas. The Eisemann Center is accessible from Highway 75 North taking the Galatyn Parkway/Renner Road exit going north and the Galatyn Parkway/Campbell Road exit going south or from the DART light rail station at Galatyn Park. Sponsors for the 2017-2018 Season include: Methodist Richardson Medical Center, *The Dallas Morning News*, WFAA-TV, UT Dallas School of Arts & Humanities, Raising Cane's, Altrusa International of Richardson, Inc. and radio partner WRR Classical 101.1 FM.

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