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Presents



Sean Gough in Concert
Sunday, February 10th 2019, 3 pm
The Vermeule Mansion

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Meet Sean Gough

Born in the northeastern United States, *and a resident of North Plainfield*, piano player **Sean Gough** has deep musical roots, attending concerts since age 2 and playing piano since age 8, drawing widely from American popular music and European classical music. Since age 18, Sean has worked as a professional musician. In 2007, he met bassist Gene Perla, starting in an apprenticeship model that had mostly disappeared after the 1990s. At the same time, Sean has had the fortune to freelance with other veteran instrumentalists, as well as accompanying singers, among them operatic tenor Ronald Naldi (his grandfather) with whom he has played semi-annual recitals of art songs and arias from the 17th-20th centuries. In 2018, he played almost 25 dates with singer Viktorija Gecyte in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, San Francisco, Paris, and Switzerland. A graduate of the M.A. program in Jazz History and Research at Rutgers University, he also has had writing featured at *JazzTimes* and Ethan Iverson's *Do the Math* and *Do the Gig*. He teaches at Lafayette College.

The concert will include mainly improvisation over American Songbook, i.e., tunes such as "They Can't Take That Away From Me" and "Stella By Starlight", songs from Broadway musicals and Hollywood movies from 1920-1960. Also included may be songs from Thelonious Monk and the Motown era from 1960s-1970s.