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Warm Fire, Warm Hearts, and Warm Jazz at the Orinda Library

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Mary D'Orazi and friends, Tim Campbell and Greg German, will warm hearts with an evening of Brazilian and jazz music at the Orinda Library Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. D'Orazi was captured in a recent Jazz at the Chimes performance by photographer, Grason Littles. Photo used with permission

San Francisco Bay Area jazz lovers will send winter blahs packing Dec. 4 at the Orinda Library when vocalist, Mary D'Orazi, brings her artistry to Lamorinda. D'Orazi, an accomplished vocalist who has wowed at Yoshi's and the Great American Music Hall, will be joined by Tim Campbell on piano and Greg German on percussion for an evening of Brazilian songs and seasonal tunes in the library's cozy fireplace area, beginning at 7 p.m.

"D'Orazi's rhythmic sensibility and thoughtful phrasing are winning her fans across the San Francisco Bay Area," says jazz fan and Orinda head librarian, Beth Girshman. "When she sings a jazz tune, her rich, round tone compliments the talents of her fellow performers. Her vocal lightness and flexibility are marvelous on highly syncopated Brazilian songs."

In 2013, D'Orazi headlined at Out & About in Rockridge and at Jazz at Peace. She also performed with the Marcos Silva Band in Jazz at Filoli, the Montclair Jazz and Wine Festival, Rockridge's Jazz and Wine Stroll, the Sonoma Arts Guild Art Show, and other Bay Area venues. In addition, she has won fans at Grass Valley's Center for the Arts.

The performance is free - thanks to the Friends of the Orinda Library, which funds the library's Winter Music Series. The library is located at 26 Orinda Way - just a short walk from the BART station and restaurants serving up a diverse range of tasty delights. Parking is also available on the street and in the library garage. So chow down, and warm up.

For more information on this or other upcoming events, visit the library website at ccclib.org or contact Girshman at: (925) 254-2184, ext. 15; bgirshma@ccclib.org.

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