

## Lake Champlain Chamber Music Festival Press Release

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### Lake Champlain Chamber Music Festival Presents Violinist Robyn Bollinger, *CIACCONA: The Bass of Time*

Robyn Bollinger, head of the Lake Champlain Chamber Music Festival's 2015 and 2016 Resident Ensemble, will perform a multimedia solo violin show at All Souls Interfaith Gathering in Shelburne on Sunday, March 18, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

"I'm going to tell you a story. This story takes place far away, across continents and over centuries. This story includes many people and their stories. ... Ultimately, what is a chaconne? It's part dance, part dirge, part song, and part sorrow. It is a thought at its most personal and at its most public."

This is not the beginning of a novel, but a part of American violinist Robyn Bollinger's multi-media show, "*CIACCONA The Bass of Time*." Ms. Bollinger, winner of a prestigious Leonore Annenberg Fellowship to support this project, incorporates multi-media historical presentations and live personal narratives with musical performance. *CIACCONA* tells the story of one of music's most ancient compositional ideas – the development of a simple repeating bass line – through the lens of solo violin repertoire. The program offers works spanning three centuries by four composers: Heinrich Ignaz Franz von Biber, Johann Sebastian Bach, Béla Bartók, and Luciano Berio.

During her visit to the Burlington area, Ms. Bollinger will return for her 7<sup>th</sup> visit to the Integrated Arts Academy in Burlington's Old North End, to work with students in the LCCMF's in-school strings program, ONE Strings. Says Ms. Bollinger, anticipating her return to Vermont, "My summers at the Lake Champlain Chamber Music Festival have been endlessly inspiring, and now I'm honored to be able to show this special community what I've been able to accomplish from that inspiration and support. It strikes me that LCCMF and *CIACCONA* are both centered around relationships - how we relate to music, how music relates to us - and I hope *CIACCONA* will blend those qualities of top-notch art, high-level thinking, and personal journeying that I associate so strongly with LCCMF."

As an Annenberg Fellow, Ms. Bollinger joins a list of artists that includes dancer Misty Copeland, actor André Holland, and mezzo-soprano Isabel Leonard.

Tickets at \$25/adults and \$5/students are available through the Flynn Box Office, 802-86-FLYNN, [www.flynntix.org](http://www.flynntix.org). For questions, contact LCCMF, [info@lccmf.org](mailto:info@lccmf.org), 802-846-2175.

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