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## Simona Premazzi Dream Team Trio to Perform at Library Sunday, January 13

## Second Performance of 2019 Baby Grand Jazz Series

**(HARTFORD, CT: January 7, 2018)** The 16<sup>th</sup> season of Hartford Public Library's highly popular Baby Grand Jazz series rolls on this Sunday, January 13, with a free concert by the Simona Premazzi Dream Team Trio. The concert will be held from 3-4 pm in the Center for Contemporary Culture on the first floor of the Downtown Library, 500 Main Street, Hartford.

A fearless modernist composer and improviser with a deeply romantic lyricism at her core, New York based pianist Simona Premazzi has developed an impressive body of work as a composer and bandleader. Originally from Italy, Premazzi began playing piano at age 8 and a half. Since moving to New York in 2004, she has earned recognition for her improvisational work and skillful approach as a composer, with an unmistakable style and depth that comes across in every one of her compositions. Premazzi's "Dream Team" Trio also includes Joe Martin on bass and E.J. Strickland on drums.

Hartford Public Library's 2019 Baby Grand Jazz Series started on a high note this past Sunday, January 6, with a special Three Kings' Day performance by the Ray Gonzalez Quintet.

"Baby Grand Jazz continues to be one of Hartford's most popular music series. Our opening show by Ray Gonzalez and his band attracted a standing-room-only crowd of over 300 people. There are many more top performers on the schedule this year, so we're gearing up for big crowds every Sunday afternoon through the end of April," said Bridget Quinn-Carey, Hartford Public Library CEO.

Baby Grand Jazz, sponsored by the Kaman Foundation, will be held every Sunday through April 28 (except for Easter Sunday, April 21) from 3-4 pm at the Downtown Library, 500 Main Street, Hartford. All shows will be held in the Center for Contemporary Culture on the Main Floor, with the exception of the last show by Giacomo Gates on April 28, which will be held in the library's

atrium. The series is presented in partnership with the Hartford Jazz Society and WWUH 91.3 FM.

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Now celebrating its 125<sup>th</sup> year, Hartford Public Library remains at the forefront of redefining the urban library experience in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. With seven locations throughout the city, the library provides education, intellectual enrichment and cultural development for thousands of children, youth and adults every year. Hartford Public Library has also gained local and national recognition for its wide range of new initiatives and partnerships designed to meet the needs of a diverse and dynamic city and region, including immigration services, employment assistance and youth leadership training. Please visit www.hplct.org.