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Music composer. Recording artist, and Performer **micheal CASTALDO** has released his latest album, **La Dolce Vita** 'NAmerica featuring classic Italian songs sung in their original language. **CASTALDO**'s vocals and melodies will entertain listeners who have a love of traditional Italian Music. **CASTALDO** is a native of Toronto, Canada, the sixth largest Italian speaking community in the world. Growing up in Toronto, he discovered the works of many great artists including Claudio Baglioni and Claudio Villa.

With a keen interest in music, **CASTALDO** attended the Berklee College of Music in Boston and has since performed in many venues in New York City including Lincoln Center, Carnegie Hall, the Manhattan Center, The Rainbow Room and the JVC Jazz Festival. Over the years **CASTALDO** has served the music industry in many different roles. Along with recording and songwriting, **CASTALDO** has served as a session musician for Herbal Essence Shampoo, E-File and Burlington Coast Factory commercials. He is the founder of MJM Records and served as a Label Executive for Vital Records.

La Dolce Vita 'NAmerica includes many renditions of Italian mega-hits from the 1970s. The album also features the popular aria "Nessun Dorma" from Puccini's Turandot, the classic Neapolitan song "Vierno," renowned composer Ennio Morricone's "Nella Fantasia" and several original songs that are both melodically exquisite and exceptionally sung. **CASTALDO's** opening track, "E Tu," begins with an upbeat violin followed by **CASTALDO's** lilting vocals. The song illustrates the vocalist's passion for his craft, with crisp articulation present with every lyric and a projection that exudes the essence of **CASTALDO's** heart and soul.

The violin work continues in "Guarda Questa Terra," which is also accompanied by piano. The softly toned songs presents **CASTALDO's** haunting whispers in perfect harmony. "Notte di Luci," translated as Nights in White Satin,: is fast faced with more violin play. Percussion is added to give the track a jazzy feel.

The fourth track, "Nella Fantasia," has a strong and powerful introduction which leads into a more mellow chorus. **CASTALDO** continues to vary his work as the listener becomes intrigued with its dynamic aspects. Castaldo offers something for every music lover on **La Dolce Vita 'NAmerica**, which is perfect to enjoy in it's entirety during a road trip or an afternoon at home. Many will enjoy **CASTALDO's** smooth sounds to set the mood for a romantic evening with that special someone – this Italian Canadian star will have you falling in love all over again.

Aside from his music career, **CASTALDO** enjoys visiting his family's villa in Calabria, Southern Italy, which he recently renovated. He also begun a new olive oil cooperative company, The New York City Olive Oil Coop.

La Dolce Vita 'NAmerica is available from FYE.com and from most music distributors via the web. For more information about the album, visit **www.michealCASTALDO.com**.

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