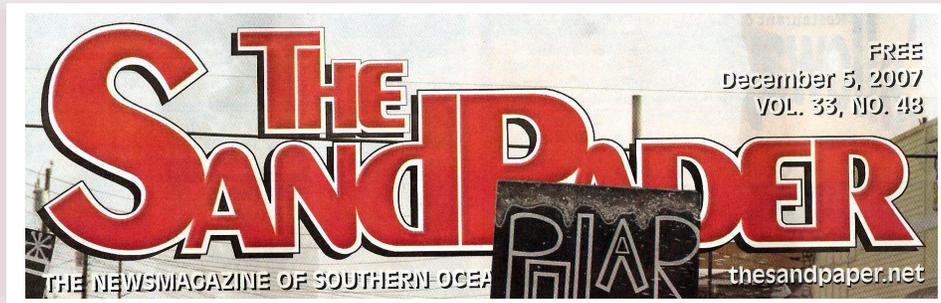


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Opera and Olive Oil Are on the Menu At the Gables Inn for Sunday Brunch

On Dec. 9, as an accompaniment to its ever-popular Sunday brunch, the Gables Inn bed and breakfast in Beach Haven presents the Italian operatic vocal stylings of award-winning musician Michéal Castaldo and a tasting of his signature line of extra-virgin olive oils, harvested from the Castaldo family's grove in Calabria.

Castaldo's song selection will include works by Andrea Bocelli and Luciano Pavarotti, as well as several familiar numbers sung in Italian, according to Gables owner Sondra Beninati.

"He has a lovely voice," she said. Moreover, Castaldo was educated and trained at Boston's Berklee College of Music and has singing, songwriting, producing and recording credits. His album *La Dolce*

Vita Namerica was released in September on Vital Records. Learn more about Castaldo at michealcastaldo.homestead.com.

He will deliver three performances on Sunday, at 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m., all of which are free and open to the public, as is the tasting of the olive oils, which will be served with fresh bread. In addition to its usual brunch menu, which includes organic eggs Benedict and French toast soufflé, the Gables will offer some special Italian dishes for the occasion, Beninati said.

The Gables continues to be open on weekends through the end of the year, when New York City's Jay Ditammo and his band will lead the New Year's Eve celebration in music. After a six-week hiatus, the bed and breakfast will reopen in time for Valentine's Day.

For additional information, call 492-3553. —V.F.

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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